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**NOTICE OF RECEIPT
PETITION TO AMEND
THE ENERGY COMMISSION DECISION for the
KERN RIVER COGENERATION PROJECT (82-AFC-2C)**

On July 14, 2011 the Kern River Cogeneration Company (KRCC), jointly owned by Chevron and Edison Mission Energy, filed a petition with the California Energy Commission requesting to modify the Kern River Cogeneration project. The 300-megawatt (MW) cogeneration project was certified by the Energy Commission in September 1983 and began commercial operation in 1985. The facility consists of four 75-megawatt natural-gas fired combustion turbines equipped with dry Low NOx combustors and four heat recovery steam generators capable of providing steam to the adjacent oilfield for use in enhanced oil recovery. The facility is located approximately five miles north of the City of Bakersfield, and five miles east of State Route 99 in Kern County, California.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

The petition requests that KRCC be permitted to operate all four of the combustion gas turbine units in an extended start-up period for the purpose of conducting tuning of the units following removal and replacement of combustion hardware.

STAFF DETERMINATION AND AMENDMENT REVIEW PROCESS

The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess any impacts the proposed modifications would have on environmental quality and public health and safety. The process includes an evaluation of the modified consistency of the proposed changes with the Energy Commission's Decision, and the project's compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (Title 20, Calif. Code of Regulations, section 1769). Energy Commission staff is currently analyzing the petition and will publish an analysis in the near future. A public hearing for the purpose of approving or denying the amendment petition will be held at a regularly scheduled Energy Commission business meeting.

This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to interested parties and property owners adjacent to the project site who may want to participate in the amendment process.

The petition is available on the Energy Commission's website at http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases_pre-1999/index.html. The staff analysis, when published, will also be posted on the website. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the petition, staff's analysis, and/or the order if the amendment is approved, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact Mary Dyas, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 651-8891, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: mdyas@energy.state.ca.us within 14 days of the date of this notice.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COMMISSION DECISION TO: be permitted to operate all four of the combustion gas turbine units in an extended start-up period for the purpose of conducting tuning of the units following removal and replacement of combustion hardware.

PLEASE CHECK THE DOCUMENTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE:

- PETITION TO AMEND
- STAFF ANALYSIS
- COMMISSION ORDER

PROJECT: KERN RIVER COGENERATION PROJECT

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