In the Matter of: High Desert Power Project, LLC's HIGH DESERT POWER PROJECT

Docket No. 97-AFC-1C Order No. 01-0124-01(b)

ORDER APPROVING a Petition to transfer ownership to the High Desert Power Trust

High Desert Power Project, LLC (HDPP) has submitted a petition to amend the Energy Commission Decision for its High Desert Power Project (Docket No. 97-AFC-1C) located in Victorville. The petition requests that the Commission approve a transfer of ownership of the project to the High Desert Power Trust. HDPP will retain possession of the Energy Commission Certification and responsibility for construction and operation of the project through a project supervisory agreement and lease with the new project owner. A representative of the new project owner has provided a declaration, under penalty of perjury, that High Desert Power Trust agrees to comply with the Energy Commission's Conditions of Certification for the High Desert Power Project through delegation of this authority to HDPP. HDPP retains specified rights to acquire project facilities prior to or at the end of the lease term.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff has reviewed the petition and finds that it complies with the requirements of Title 20 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 1769(b), and recommends approval of the ownership change.

CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The California Energy Commission hereby adopts the staff's recommendation and approves the transfer of ownership as described above. Such approval shall become effective only upon such transfer of ownership.

ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Date: January 24, 2001

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