

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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From: California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-2000
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Project Title: Approval of Request to Change High Desert Power Project Condition of Certification AQ-33 to Require Surrender of ERCs Prior to Commercial Operation (97-AFC-1C)

Project Location: Located in the City of Victorville, near Highway 395, San Bernardino County, California.

Description of Project: Change conditions of certification to require the surrender of Emission Reduction Credits (ERC's) prior to the start of project operation instead of prior to start of construction.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: High Desert Power Project LLP

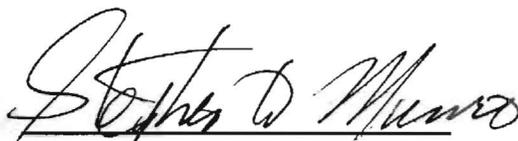
Exempt Status: CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061 (b) (3) – The change is an administrative change that has no possibility of any environmental or health and safety impacts.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The ERC's are not needed until the project begins operating, because until then there are no emissions to offset.

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