On March 4, 2011, the Calpine Corporation filed a petition with the California Energy Commission requesting to modify the Sutter Energy Center (SEC) project. The combined cycle 540-megawatt natural gas-fired facility was certified by the Energy Commission on April 14, 1999, and began commercial operation on July 2, 2001. The Sutter Energy Center project is located adjacent to Calpine’s Greenleaf Unit #1 cogeneration power plant, approximately seven miles southwest of Yuba City, on South Township Road near the intersection with Best Road.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

The petition proposes to construct a new 2.8 mile, 6-inch pipeline (Grimes pipeline), connecting the local natural gas fields in the Grimes area to the north and west of SEC. A gas metering station and related facilities will also be constructed (Grimes Station) that will consist of approximately 0.5-acres with a three-foot-thick gravel pad.

Components of the Grimes Station include:
- A natural gas master meter to measure the flow into the Sutter Pipeline.
- A horizontal filter-separator approximately nine feet long, two feet in diameter, and five feet above ground level.
- A pig receiver.
- A flow control valve.
- An aboveground 100-barrel drain tank approximately eight feet tall and 10 feet in diameter.
- Communication equipment powered by solar panels.

ENERGY COMMISSION AMENDMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES

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

This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to property owners adjacent to the project site and interested parties who may want to participate in the amendment process. If you wish to be removed from the SEC project mailing list, please check the box on the enclosed form and return it to the address shown.
The petition is available on the Energy Commission’s website at:
http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/sutterpower/compliance/index.html. The staff analysis (when published), will also be posted on the website. If you would like to receive a hard copy or CD of the petition and/or staff’s analysis, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact Christina Snow at (916) 651-3770, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: csnow@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 MODIFY THE SUTTER ENERGY CENTER PROJECT.

PLEASE CHECK THE DOCUMENTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE:

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☐ STAFF ANALYSIS
☐ COMMISSION ORDER

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