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NOTICE OF RECEIPT
PETITION TO AMEND
THE ENERGY COMMISSION DECISION for the
LA PALOMA GENERATING PROJECT (98-AFC-2C)

On February 6, 2013, La Paloma Generating Company, LLC, filed a petition with the California Energy Commission requesting to modify the La Paloma Generating Project. The 1,124-megawatt project was certified in October, 1999 and began commercial operations in January, 2003. The power plant is located east of the community of McKittrick in Kern County.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

The modification proposed in the petition is to install and utilize inlet foggers to further cool the inlet air on hot days. The purpose of the proposed foggers is to recover lost generating capacity on hot days when the combustion turbines are not able to operate at their full firing rate. By providing additional inlet air cooling and additional mass, beyond what the existing inlet evaporative coolers can provide, the foggers will enable each combined-cycle turbine generator unit to achieve up to 8 megawatts (MW) of additional electrical generating capacity on hot days. The foggers will not operate on cold days below 57°F.

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, denying, or modifying the amendment proposal 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/lapaloma/compliance/>. The staff analysis, when published, will also be posted on the website. If you would like to receive a hard copy 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 questions, please contact Mary Dyas, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 651-8891, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: mary.dyas@energy.ca.gov

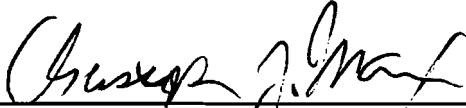
Any person may file written comments on the Petition to Amend. All comments must be in writing and must be sent to the Energy Commission Dockets Unit. Please include the docket number (98-AFC-2C) in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Those submitting comments electronically should provide them in either Microsoft Word format or as a Portable Document Format (PDF) to docket@energy.ca.gov. Please include your name or organization's name in the file name. Those preparing non-electronic written comments should mail or hand deliver them to:

California Energy Commission
Dockets Unit, MS-4
Docket No. 98-AFC-2C
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All written comments and all materials filed with the Dockets Unit will become part of the public record of the proceeding. Additionally, comments may be posted to the website.

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.ca.gov. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COMMISSION DECISION TO INSTALL INLET FOGGERS.

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