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The Honorable Don Maben
Kern County Board of Supervisors
1115 Truxtun Avenue, Room 502
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Dear Supervisor Maben;

On August 10, 2009, Mojave Solar LLC submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to construct and operate the Abengoa Mojave Solar project, a solar electric generating facility that can produce 250 megawatts (MW) using solar parabolic trough technology, in San Bernardino County.

On October 21, 2009, the California Energy Commission accepted the AFC as complete and staff has now begun the data discovery and analysis phase of the project's 12-month licensing process. Over the coming months, the California Energy Commission will conduct a number of public workshops and hearings on the proposal to determine whether Abengoa Mojave Solar should be approved for construction and operation and under what set of conditions should approval be granted. These workshops and hearings will provide the public and local, state and federal agencies the opportunity to ask questions about, and provide input on, the proposed project.

The California Energy Commission staff's Data Response and Issues Resolution Workshop is tentatively scheduled for December 8, 2008. The combined Informational Hearing and Site Visit is scheduled for December 9, 2009 at the City of Barstow, City Council chambers. The California Energy Commission will issue notices for these workshops and hearings separately at least 10 days prior to each meeting.

We are available to brief you and your staff on the California Energy Commission's power plant review process and the specifics of the Mojave Solar LLC application. Please contact Chris Marxen, Assistant Executive Director, Office of Governmental Affairs, at (916) 654-4942, if you would like a briefing. If your constituents would like to participate in the Energy Commission's review of the project, they should contact the Energy Commission's Associate Public Adviser, Loreen McMahon, at (916) 654-4489 or toll free in California, at (800) 822-6228 or at publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us.

The status of the project, copies of notices, an electronic version of the AFC, and other relevant documents are available on the California Energy Commission's Internet web site at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/abengoa>. You can also subscribe to receive e-mail notification of all notices at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index.html>.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:
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Executive Director

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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE **ABENGOA MOJAVE**
SOLAR POWER PLANT

Docket No. 09-AFC-5

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I, April Albright, declare that on November 5, 2009, 2009, I served and filed copies of the attached Elected Official Letters, dated November 5, 2009. The original document, filed with the Docket Unit, is accompanied by a copy of the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at:

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/mariposa/index.html>].

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Original signed by: _____
April Albright