October 27, 2009

Mr. Mike Monasmith
Project Manager
California Energy Commission
1516 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Genesis Solar Energy Project Application for Certification
(CEC Docket 09-AFC-8)

Dear Mr. Monasmith:

The Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (District) received a Request for Agency Participation and Application for Certification for the Genesis Solar Energy Project (Project Genesis) on October 8, 2009. In accordance with Rule 1306(B)(1), the District is hereby notifying you of its intent to participate in the Project Genesis proceedings. On a preliminary basis, the District concurs with the proponent’s definition of applicable Best Available Control Technology (BACT) and finds that there is a substantial likelihood that the proposed facility can satisfy applicable District rules and regulations.

The District has reviewed this application for completeness as required by Rules 1302(B)(2) and 1306(C). The District hereby finds this application complete, as it contains the following discussion elements: alternative siting; determination of emissions including toxic and hazardous; BACT; ambient air quality impacts including health; and applicable district rules and regulations. However, the District has requesting 3 additional permit applications.

The District has reviewed the meteorological data submitted with the application that was used to perform the modeling evaluation for the project. The District has determined that the data set submitted contains at least one year of data that is adequate to evaluate the project.

The District is now performing the analysis necessary to issue a Preliminary Determination of Compliance for Project Genesis. The District will notify you of any issues or information that need clarification.
If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Richard Wales, Air Quality Engineer, at (760) 245-1661, extension 1803.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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Executive Director

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