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*APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE:*  
  
*STANTON ENERGY RELIABILITY  
CENTER*

**Docket No. 16-AFC-01**

**ENERGY COMMISSION STAFF'S PREHEARING CONFERENCE  
STATEMENT**

On June 18, 2018, the Stanton Energy Reliability Center Application for Certification Committee issued a scheduling order requiring parties to file a Prehearing Conference Statement and Exhibit List by July 13, 2018. The requested information is presented below.

**1. The subject areas that are complete and ready to proceed to Evidentiary Hearing.**

Staff believes that all subject areas are complete and ready to proceed to evidentiary hearing.

**2. The subject areas upon which staff proposes to introduce testimony in writing rather than through oral testimony.**

On June 7, 2018, staff published its Final Staff Assessment (FSA), which staff provides as written testimony along with staff's Opening Testimony published on June 20, 2018 (supported by the declaration of Brett Fooks published on June 21, 2018), and Rebuttal Testimony on Alternatives, published on July 6, 2018. The technical area, witness(es), and section number in the FSA where a summary of the testimony can be found are listed in the table below. Staff's qualifications are contained in section 8 of the FSA.

<b>Technical Area</b>	<b>Witness(es)</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Air Quality/Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Tao Jiang, Ph.D., P.E. and David Vidaver	Exhibit 300, section 4.1
Final Determination of Compliance	South Coast Air Quality Management District Representative	Exhibit 301
Biological Resources	Ann Crisp and Tia Mia Taylor	Exhibit 300, section 4.2
Cultural Resources	Matthew Braun and Melissa Mourkas	Exhibit 300, section 4.3
Environmental Justice	Ellen LeFevre and John Heiser	Exhibit 300, section 4.4
Hazardous Materials Management	Brett Fooks, P.E. and Geoff Lesh, P.E.	Exhibit 300, section 4.5

Opening Testimony	Brett Fooks, P.E.	Exhibit 302
Land Use	Mark R. Hamblin	Exhibit 300, section 4.6
Noise and Vibration	Christopher Dennis and Shahab Koshmashrab	Exhibit 300, section 4.7
Public Health	Huei-An (Ann) Chu, Ph. D.	Exhibit 300, section 4.8
Socioeconomics	Ellen LeFevre	Exhibit 300, section 4.9
Soil and Water Resources	Abdel-Karim Abulaban, Ph.D., P.E. and Mike Conway, PG, CHG	Exhibit 300, section 4.10
Traffic and Transportation	Andrea Koch and Tao Jiang, Ph.D., P.E.	Exhibit 300, section 4.11
Transmission Line Safety and Nuisance	Obed Odoemelam, Ph. D.	Exhibit 300, section 4.12
Visual Resources	Scott Polaske	Exhibit 300, section 4.13
Waste Management	Obed Odoemelam, Ph.D.	Exhibit 300, section 4.14
Worker Safety/Fire Protection	Brett Fooks, P.E. and Geoff Lesh, P.E.	Exhibit 300, section 4.15
Facility Design	Edward Brady and Shahab Koshmashrab	Exhibit 300, section 5.1
Geology and Paleontology	Garry Maurath, Ph.D., PG, CHG	Exhibit 300, section 5.2
Power Plant Efficiency	Edward Brady and Shahab Koshmashrab	Exhibit 300, section 5.3
Power Plant Reliability	Edward Brady and Shahab Koshmashrab	Exhibit 300, section 5.4
Transmission System Engineering	Mark Hesters	Exhibit 300, section 5.5
Alternatives	John Hope	Exhibit 300, section 6
Rebuttal Testimony on Alternatives	David Vidaver, Matthew Layton, and Steve Kerr	Exhibit 304
Compliance Conditions and Compliance Monitoring Plan	Mary Dyas	Exhibit 300, section 7

**3. The subject areas that are not complete and not yet ready to proceed to the Evidentiary Hearing, and the reasons therefor.**

There are no technical areas that are not ready to proceed to evidentiary hearing.

**4. The subject areas that remain disputed and require adjudication, and the precise nature of the dispute for each issue.**

Based on Clean Coalition’s Opening and Rebuttal Testimony, staff believes the sufficiency of the Alternatives analysis is in dispute by the intervenor.

- 5. The identity of each witness staff intends to examine at the Evidentiary Hearing, the subject area(s) about which the witness(es) will offer testimony, whether the testimony will be oral or in writing, a brief summary of the testimony to be offered by the witnesses, qualifications of each witness, the time required to present testimony by each witness, and whether the witness seeks to testify telephonically.**

Staff intends to examine John Hope, Steve Kerr, David Vidaver, and Matthew Layton in the subject area of Alternatives. The oral testimony would be specific to the issues presented in Clean Coalition’s Opening and Rebuttal Testimony, including the assumptions made and presented in their analysis. The witnesses’ qualifications are contained in the Final Staff Assessment and in staff’s Rebuttal Testimony on Alternatives and staff anticipates needing no more than 15 minutes to present its testimony. Additionally, staff intends to sponsor a representative from the South Coast Air Quality Management District for the purpose of entering the Final Determination of Compliance into the record, which should take approximately 5 minutes.

- 6. Subject areas upon which staff desires to question the other parties’ witness(es), a summary of the scope of the questions (including witness qualifications), the issue(s) to which the questions pertain, and the time desired to question each witness.**

Staff intends to question Clean Coalition’s witness(es) with regard to the assumptions and analysis contained in in their Opening and Rebuttal Testimony. Because no witnesses were identified and no qualifications given, staff cannot determine at this time whether the questioning will involve witness qualifications. Staff anticipates needing 15 minutes for this cross-examination.

- 7. A list identifying exhibits with transaction numbers (TN) that the party intends to offer into evidence during the Evidentiary Hearing and the technical subject areas to which they apply.**

<b>Proposed Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Document TN</b>	<b>Title of the Document as shown in the docket</b>	<b>Subject area</b>
300	223726	Final Staff Assessment	All
301	223313-2	Stanton Energy Reliability Center (SERC) Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC) Package	Air Quality
302	223882	Energy Commission Staff’s Opening Testimony	Hazardous Materials Management
303	223897	Declaration of Brett Fooks	Hazardous Materials Management

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304	224071	Energy Commission Staff's Rebuttal Testimony	Alternatives
305	224143	Deep Decarbonization in a High Renewables Future	Alternatives

**8. Proposals for briefing deadlines, impact of scheduling conflicts, or other scheduling matters.**

If any briefs are requested by the Committee, staff recommends that opening briefs be due Friday, August 17, with reply briefs due Friday, August 31.

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Respectfully submitted,

*Original signed by*

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