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Re: Huntington Beach Energy Project (12-AFC-02C)
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Dear Commissioners and Hearing Adviser Cochran:

Project Owner AES Southland Development, LLC ("Project Owner" or "AES") submits this Status Report for the Huntington Beach Energy Project ("HBEP") Petition to Amend ("PTA") proceeding pursuant to the Committee's March 8, 2016 Amended Committee Scheduling Order ("Scheduling Order"). The following activities have occurred since filing the June 1, 2016 Status Report.

On June 8, 2016 South Coast Air Quality Management District ("SCAQMD") released the Preliminary Determination of Compliance ("PDOC"). On June 16, 2016, the Project Owner distributed the PDOC to addresses within ¼ mile of the facility, starting the 30-day PDOC public notice period. On June 22, 2016 the Parties participated in a Status Conference. On June 24, 2016 Staff released the Preliminary Staff Assessment ("PSA"). The PSA indicates that no additional information is required. The public comment period on the PSA ends on July 24, 2016 and Project Owner is targeting to submit any comments on the PSA in advance of that date. Staff has indicated a PSA workshop will be held on July 12, 2016.

At the Committee's June 22 Status Conference, the Parties discussed the schedule for the proceeding. While the Parties are not aware of the date on which SCAQMD will release the Final Determination of Compliance ("FDOC"), Staff indicated its ability to release the Final Staff Assessment ("FSA") around the third week of August. The Parties agreed to a schedule to file opening testimony one week after the FSA, rebuttal testimony two weeks after the opening testimony, pre-hearing conference one week after rebuttal, and evidentiary hearings one week later.

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Project Owner appreciates the Committee and Staff pursuing an aggressive schedule and looks forward to receiving a revised Scheduling Order that contemplates Final Decision in 2016.

Very truly yours,

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