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# SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEMS VIII & IX PETITION FOR POST CERTIFICATION CHANGE TO ADD A BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM DATA REQUEST SET 1 (88-AFC-01C & 89-AFC-01C)

Dear Mr. Thompson:

California Energy Commission (CEC) staff requests the information specified in the enclosed data requests regarding the proposal to add battery storage at the Solar Energy Generating Systems (SEGS) VIII & IX site. The information requested is necessary to understand whether the proposal falls within the CEC's jurisdictional licensing authority.

These data requests, numbered A1 through A4, are also relevant to the technical area of Transmission System Engineering. Written responses to the enclosed data requests are due as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding the enclosed data requests, please call me at (916) 653-8236 or email me at John. Heiser@energy.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

John Heiser

Compliance Project Manager

Enclosure (Data Request Packet) cc: Docket (88-AFC-01C)

# POST-CERTIFICATION PETITION FOR SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM VIII & IX BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (88-AFC-01C & 89-AFC-01C)

# CEC Staff's Data Requests Set 1, A1 - A4

### **BACKGROUND**

On July 26, 2019, LUZ Solar Partners submitted an application requesting to install a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) located on the Solar Energy Generating Systems (SEGS) VIII and IX site. In order to determine if the BESS is a change in project design, operation, or performance requirements for SEGS VII and IX, staff needs to understand the proposed BESS charging and discharging methods. Please provide the following information.

## **DATA REQUESTS**

- A1. Please provide a detailed description of the existing facilities and their proposed changes, in reference to planning, design and construction of the proposed battery storage system. Please describe how the proposed BESS will be charged directly from the SEGS VIII and IX facilities and/or how the BESS will connect to the California Independent System Operator (California ISO)-controlled grid.
- A2. Please provide one-line diagrams of the BESS with detailed information on how it would be interconnected with the existing SEGS VIII and SEGS IX plant substations.
- A3. Please provide detailed schematic diagrams of the SEGS VIII and SEGS IX and their interconnections to the proposed BESS and to the California ISO controlled grid. Please indicate the feeder ratings such as DC voltages, conductor type and size and current carrying capacity, and fuse/breaker coordination information.
- A4. The application states that the "[t]he BESS controller is expected to be located in the existing control building on site" and will control "the battery modules, PCS, medium voltage system up to the point of coupling with the

existing SEGS VIII and IX solar generating units." Please describe in greater detail the control scheme that would be used to operate and dispatch the proposed BESS. Please include in the discussion a description of any common or shared equipment, infrastructure, or staffing between the BESS and the SEGS VIII and IX facilities.