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BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT  
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***APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE  
REDONDO BEACH ENERGY PROJECT***

**Docket No. 12-AFC-03**

## **COMMITTEE SCHEDULING ORDER**

### **Background**

On November 20, 2012, AES Southland, LLC (AES) submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to the California Energy Commission seeking permission to construct and operate a power generation facility, the Redondo Beach Energy Project (RBEP), located at 1100 North Harbor Drive, in the City of Redondo Beach, Los Angeles County. The site is southeast of the intersection of North Harbor Drive and Herondo Street. The project would be located entirely within the footprint of the existing AES Redondo Beach Generating Station, an operating power plant.

RBEP is a proposed natural-gas fired, combined-cycle, air-cooled, gross-generating 511-megawatt (MW) electrical generating facility that would replace the existing and still operational AES Redondo Beach Generating Station. RBEP will consist of one power block composed of three natural gas combustion turbine generators (CTG), three supplemental-fired heat recovery steam generators (HRSG), a steam turbine generator (STG), an air-cooled condenser, and ancillary facilities. RBEP will also include natural gas compressors, water treatment facilities, emergency services, and administration and maintenance buildings. The existing Redondo Beach Generating Station Units 1 through 8 and auxiliary boiler no. 17 will be demolished as part of the project.

The Energy Commission assigned a Committee of two Commissioners to conduct proceedings on the AFC. The Committee held a public Site Visit and Informational Hearing at the Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center in Redondo Beach on October 1, 2013, to discuss the review process and to identify issues that could affect the schedule. Pursuant to Title 20, of the California Code of Regulations, section 1709.7(c), the attached Committee Schedule is based on Staff's proposed schedule and related discussions at the Informational Hearing.

The schedule contains a list of events that must occur in order to complete the certification process. This initial schedule covers the period through the close of the discovery process, with the balance of the schedule to be determined by the Committee. The Committee encourages the parties to consider this schedule an outer boundary and make their best efforts to complete the milestones ahead of these dates.

Some deadlines may be contingent upon reviews to be conducted by federal, state, and local agencies. The Applicant must provide sufficient review time for the responsible agencies to meet the deadlines specified in the schedule.

Issues including alternatives, environmental justice population, coordination of the schedule with the receipt of analysis from the South Coast Air Quality Management District, and cultural resources were discussed at the Informational Hearing. **Resolution of these issues, and others that develop during the review process, shall be addressed during the discovery process (i.e., data requests and responses) and in public meetings and workshops with the parties, the public and interested governmental agencies.**

Given the complexities involved in resolving such issues, the parties are hereby notified that the Committee may modify the schedule at any time upon either its own motion or that of a party. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1709.7 (c).)

### **Status Reports**

The attached schedule requires status reports to be submitted by all parties. Status reports shall inform the Committee whether or not case development is progressing satisfactorily, and bring potential schedule delays and other relevant matters to the Committee's attention.

The reports shall be **filed with the Commission's Docket Unit no later than 3:00 p.m.** on the due date. The Commission's Docket Unit is located at 1516 Ninth Street, MS-4, Sacramento, California, 95814-5512. The Energy Commission has implemented an electronic filing system and encourages its use in lieu of the current e-mail or mailing of paper documents filing methods; a link to the e-filing system is found on the project web page, whose address is given below. Commencing November 1, 2013, use of the e-filing system will be mandatory for parties. Status reports must contain "Docket No. 12-AFC-03" in the caption or heading.

### **Public Adviser and Public Participation**

The Energy Commission invites members of the public and other interested parties to participate either on an informal basis or by intervening in the proceeding. Both types of participation allow written and oral comments. At the informal participation level, written and oral public comments are considered by the Commissioners and are part of the record, but are not part of the formal evidentiary record. Intervenors have the right to introduce evidence into the evidentiary record and cross-examine the other parties' witnesses.

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office is available to provide the public with an understanding of a proceeding and to make recommendations for meaningful participation. For assistance, contact Alana Mathews, the Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 or 800-822-6228 or e-mail: publicadviser@energy.ca.gov.

### **Contact Information**

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Susan Cochran, the Hearing Adviser, at (916) 654-3965 or e-mail: susan.cochran@energy.ca.gov.

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to Patricia Kelly, the Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-4640, or e-mail: patricia.kelly@energy.ca.gov.

Media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission's Media Office at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail: mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov.

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate, please contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 or e-mail: lou.quiroz@energy.ca.gov.

Information concerning the status of the project, as well as notices and other relevant documents, may be viewed on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at: [http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/redondo\\_beach/](http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/redondo_beach/).

Dated: October 16, 2013, at Sacramento, California.

### ***Original Signed By:***

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KAREN DOUGLAS  
Commissioner and Presiding Member  
Redondo Beach Energy Project AFC Committee

### ***Original Signed By:***

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JANEA SCOTT  
Commissioner and Associate Member  
Redondo Beach Energy Project AFC Committee

**COMMITTEE SCHEDULE  
REDONDO BEACH ENERGY PROJECT**

	<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	Application for Certification determined to be "Data Adequate" at Commission Business Meeting	08-27-13
2	Staff files Issues Identification Report	09-20-13
3	Information hearing and site visit	10-01-13
4	Staff files 1 <sup>st</sup> Round Data Requests	10-15-13
5	Applicant files Data Responses	11-15-13
6	Data response and issue resolution workshop	November/ December 2013
7	Staff files data requests (round 2, if necessary)	TBD
8	Applicant provides data responses (round 2, if necessary)	TBD
9	Data response and issue resolution workshop (round 2)	TBD
10	Applicant submits supplemental information resulting from workshop	TBD
11	Status Reports	The first of every month, commencing December 1, 2013
12	Local, State and Federal Agency preliminary determinations, including Air District's Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC)	January 2014
13	Last Day to File Data Requests (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, §1716, subd. (e).)	02-24-2014
14	Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) published	PDOC + 45 days
15	Preliminary Staff Assessment workshop	PSA + 15 days
16	Local, State and Federal Agency final determinations, including Air District's Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC)	PDOC + 60 days
17	Final Staff Assessment (FSA) published	FDOC + 45 days
18	FSA Workshop	FSA +15 days
19	Prehearing Conference	FSA + 30-45 days
20	Evidentiary Hearings	2 weeks after Prehearing Conference
21	Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD) issued for 30-day comment period	6-8 weeks after close of Evidentiary Hearings

22	PMPD Committee Conference (Comment Hearing)	TBD (usually near end of comment period)
23	Revised PMPD issued for 15 day review period*	TBD (after PMPD comment period ends)
24	Energy Commission Decision Adoption Hearing	TBD (shortly after comment period on PMPD or revised PMPD ends)

\*If necessary.