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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Commissioner Robert Pernell, Presiding Member  
Commissioner James Boyd, Associate Member  
California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street  
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Re: Inland Empire Energy Center (Docket No. 01-AFC-17): Status Report  
No. 6

Dear Commissioners Pernell and Boyd:

Inland Empire Energy Center, LLC (IEEC) filed the fifth status report, covering actions through June 2002 with the California Energy Commission ("Commission") on July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2002. Our efforts since then have focused on reviewing the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA), participating in PSA workshops, and providing the additional information requested by Commission Staff for completion of the Final Staff Assessment (FSA).

**Data Requests and Responses**

Based on comments from the Romoland School District (RSD) at the PSA workshop, IEEC's project team has responded to Staff's Data Request 178 with the special consideration zone map that had been requested based on California Department of Education School Siting Guidelines. We used the information provided by RSD in their data response dated May 20, 2002 to locate the potential school sites on the map.

**Issue Areas**

**Air Quality**

Calpine is currently working with Riverside County to complete a Memorandum of Understanding to define the road paving projects that Calpine proposes to use for PM<sub>10</sub> Emission Reduction Credits (ERCs). In parallel, we are completing an application to South Coast Air Quality Management District ("South Coast") for

ERCs resulting from road paving in Riverside County. Calpine has successfully created PM<sub>10</sub> ERCs with road paving for the King City Energy Center in California and is confident that we create similar ERCs for the IEEC.

IEEC's project team is working with South Coast to assist in responding to comments on the Preliminary Determination of Compliance and to support South Coast's issuance of the Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC) by mid-October as South Coast's representative suggested in the PSA workshop.

### Biology

IEEC's project team has submitted a detailed response to concerns raised by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service that is based on avoiding any potential impacts to vernal-pool fairy shrimp. We expect to resolve their concerns before the FSA is issued without impacting IEEC's Certification schedule.

### Land Use

Calpine submitted a detailed map and data response to Commission Staff Data Request 178. The maps clearly demonstrate that the IEEC project site and linears do not have any impact on the ability of RSD to site new schools. As the maps illustrate, the project does not create any additional area of special consideration in the vicinity of the potential school sites under California Department of Education guidelines for any of the proposed school sites (including the Ashby site) in RSD. This is according to the information that the RSD provided in response to Applicant Data Request #1. Additionally, the proposed Ashby school site is also more than ¼ of a mile away from the IEEC project site and linears.

Calpine continues to maintain frequent contact with the Economic Development Agency of Riverside County to explore avenues of all possible sources of funding for the RSD made available by the new tax revenue increment resulting from the IEEC project. Our most recent meeting was September 26<sup>th</sup>.

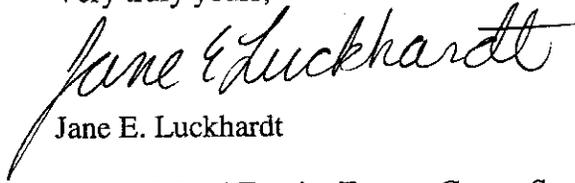
### Visual

Calpine has evaluated several of the options for screening the IEEC project that were discussed in the PSA workshop. A memo describing our findings will be provided to Commission Staff shortly.

Conclusion

IIEEC's project team continues to appreciate the diligent efforts of the Commission Staff in reviewing the IIEEC AFC and looks forward to receiving the FSA 30 days after the FDOC.

Very truly yours,



Jane E. Luckhardt

cc: Inland Empire Energy Center Service (01-AFC-17)  
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Energy Resources Conservation  
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Docket No. 01-AFC-17  
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