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STATE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

COMMITTEE CONFERENCE AND CLOSED SESSION

REMOTE

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2020
1:33 P.M.

Reported by: Peter Petty
APPEARANCES

SITING COMMITTEE MEMBERS & ADVISORS:

Karen Douglas, Commissioner and Presiding Member
Kourtney Vaccaro, Advisor to Commissioner Douglas
Eli Harland, Advisor to Commissioner Douglas
Patty Monahan, Associate Commissioner
Jana Romero, Advisor to Associate Member Patty Monahan

CEC STAFF PRESENT:

Susan Cochran, Hearing Officer
Leonidas Payne, Project Manager
Noemi Gallardo, Public Advisors Office
Rosemary Avalos, Public Advisors Office

APPLICANT:

None Present

INTERVENORS:

None Present

PUBLIC AGENCIES:

None Present

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None Present
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COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: All right. Well -- so welcome, everybody, this is the Committee Conference and Closed Session for the Application for a Small Power Plant Exemption for the Sequoia Backup Generating Facility.

I’m Karen Douglas, the presiding member of the Committee assigned to conduct proceedings on the application. Patt Monahan is the associate member. We are all participating via teleconference. The notice of this Committee Conference and closed session was issued on July 16th, 2020.

Before we begin, I’d like to make introductions of the following individuals who may be participating via teleconference. Patt Monahan, Commissioner and associate member. Jana Romero, her advisor. Kourtney Vaccaro and Eli Harland, my advisors. Jim Bartridge, technical advisor to the Commission on Siting Matters. Noemi Gallardo and Rosemary Avalos, Public Advisors Office. And Susan Cochran, hearing officer.

I would ask the parties to please introduce themselves and their representatives at this time, starting with the Applicant.

MS. COCHRAN: I do not see Mr. Galati’s name, so he may not be participating.
COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: Got it. In that case, let’s go to staff.

MR. PAYNE: Lon Payne here for staff. And I may be alone on the call today.

COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: All right. Excellent.

Intervenors, Robert Sarvey, are you on?

How about California Unions for Reliable Energy or CURE?

All right. And are there any public agencies besides the Energy Commission represented right now or are on the phone right now?

Any Native American tribes, local government, state or federal government agencies?

All right. Thank you.

Now Commissioner Monahan, would you like to make any opening remarks?

COMMISSIONER MONAHAN: No, but thank you.

COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: Absolutely. Okay. At this time I’ll hand over the conduct of this conference to Hearing Officer Susan Cochran.

MS. COCHRAN: Thank you. As stated in the notice for today’s event, the primary purpose is for the Committee to meet in closed session to deliberate.

Do the parties have any comments at this time?

MR. PAYNE: Staff has no comments. This is Lon
MS. COCHRAN: Thank you, Mr. Payne.

Would any member of the public care to make any comment to the Committee?

Ms. Avalos, has the Public Advisors Office received any written comments on --

MS. AVALOS: There --

MS. COCHRAN: -- today’s Committee Conference?

MS. AVALOS: There are no written comments at this time.

MS. COCHRAN: Okay. Thank you very much.

With that, the Committee will now adjourn to the closed session in accordance with California Government Code Section 11126, subdivision (c)(3) which allows a state body, including a delegated committee to hold a closed session to deliberate on a decision to be reached in a proceeding the state body was required by law to conduct.

We anticipate returning from closed session in about two hours. So approximately 3:30.

And with that, we are in closed session.

Thank you.

(Off the record at 1:37 p.m.)

(On the record at 4:02 p.m.)

COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: All right. So we are back on the record. This is Commissioner Douglas.
And there are no reportable actions out of today’s closed session.

So with that, I guess Susan, do you want to adjourn?

MS. COCHRAN: We are adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: All right.

MS. COCHRAN: Thank you, everybody, for participating today.

(Thereupon, the Hearing was adjourned at 4:03 p.m.)

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