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April 15, 2014

The Honorable Bonnie Lowenthal
Member of the Assembly, 70th District
State Capitol P.O. Box 942849, Room 3152
Sacramento, CA 94249-0070

Dear Assemblymember Lowenthal:

On December 27, 2013, AES Southland Development, LLC submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to the California Energy Commission to construct and operate the Alamitos Energy Center (AEC). The AEC is proposed to be developed on the 63-acre site of the Alamitos Generating Station, located at 690 N. Studebaker Rd., in the city of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California.

The Energy Commission accepted the AFC as complete on March 12, 2014, and staff has now begun the data discovery and analysis phase of the licensing process. The Energy Commission is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and because the siting process is a certified regulatory program, the Energy Commission produces several environmental and decision documents rather than an Environmental Impact Report. The issuance of a certificate by the Energy Commission is in lieu of any local or state permit, and federal permit to the extent permitted by federal law.

Over the coming months, the Energy Commission will conduct a number of public workshops and hearings on the proposal to determine whether the AEC should be approved for construction and operation and if so, under what set of conditions approval should be granted. These workshops and hearings will provide the public, local, state and federal agencies the opportunity to ask questions and provide input on the proposed project. The Energy Commission has noticed a public Informational Hearing and Site Visit on April 29, 2014, in Long Beach.

We are also available to brief you and your staff on the California Energy Commission's power plant review process and the specifics of the AEC application. If you would like to schedule a briefing, please contact Jay Dickenson, Director of the Energy Commission's Office of Governmental Affairs. If your staff has technical questions on the proposed project, please contact the Energy Commission's Project Manager, Keith Winstead, at (916) 654-5191 or by email at keith.winstead@energy.ca.gov. If your constituents would like to participate in the Energy Commission's review of the project, they can contact the

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Energy Commission's Public Adviser, Alana Mathews at (916) 654-4510 or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228 or at publicadviser@energy.ca.gov.

The status of the project, copies of notices, an electronic version of the AFC, and other relevant documents are available on the California Energy Commission's Internet web site at: <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/alamitos/>. You can also subscribe to receive e-mail notification of notices and availability of documents at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Oglesby', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert P. Oglesby
Executive Director