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Mr. Fred Salzmann
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SUBJECT: Approval of 15-Acre Expansion of Construction Laydown Yard
Pastoria Energy Facility (99-AFC-7C)
Changes to Conditions of Certification BIO-05, BIO-08, and BIO-10

Dear Mr. Salzmann:

California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) staff reviewed your petition dated May 29, 2001, requesting a 15-acre expansion of the construction laydown yard for the Pastoria Energy Facility. As directed by Governor's Executive Order D-25-01, concerning post-certification amendments, we have expedited review of this proposed project modification because statutes and implementing regulations that normally apply to review and approval of this amendment have been suspended. Energy Commission staff have concluded that, subject to minor revisions to the Commission Decision Conditions of Certification **BIO-05**, **BIO-08** and **BIO-10** as described in the enclosed staff analysis, the 15-acre expansion has no potential for adverse environmental or public health and safety impacts.

Therefore, you are authorized to proceed with the project modifications as requested, subject to compliance with the revised Conditions of Certification **BIO-05**, **BIO-08**, and **BIO-10**. A copy of this letter and staff analysis will be posted on the Energy's Commission website at www.energy.ca.gov, and we will file a California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption with the State Clearinghouse. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Tronaas, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-3864, or by e-mail at ntronaas@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

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