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Document Title:	Notice of Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing, Part 1
Description:	This document Notices the 11/9/16 Prehearing Conference and the 11/15/16 Evidentiary Hearing on the subject areas covered in the Final Staff Assessment, Part 1. The Notice also contains a new schedule which supersedes all prior schedules.
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*APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE
ALAMITOS ENERGY CENTER*

Docket No. 13-AFC-01

**NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND EVIDENTIARY
HEARING, SCHEDULING ORDER, AND FURTHER ORDERS**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Energy Commission Committee assigned to conduct proceedings on the Application for Certification (Application) for the Alamos Energy Center (AEC) has scheduled a Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing as follows:

The **PREHEARING CONFERENCE** will be conducted on:

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2016
Beginning at 3:00 p.m.

**California Energy Commission
Art Rosenfeld Room – Hearing Room A
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
(See map below)**

The **EVIDENTIARY HEARING** will take place on:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2016
Evidentiary Hearing Begins at noon, 12:00 p.m.
Public Comment Period Begins at 3:00 p.m.

**The Grand Event Center
Catalina Room
4101 E. Willow Street
Long Beach CA 90815
(See map below)**

TELECONFERENCE OPTION: You may participate in the Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing either in person, by telephone, and/or by computer via the "WebEx" conferencing system. Please see the **"INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING WEBEX**

TELECONFERENCING USING YOUR COMPUTER AND/OR TELEPHONE" section attached to this notice.

SCHEDULING ORDER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Committee has established the following schedule for the AEC Application which **supersedes** all prior schedules:

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Last Day to File Petition to Intervene	6/3/16 ¹
Final Staff Assessment (FSA) Part 1 ²	9/23/16
All Parties File Opening Testimony on FSA, Part 1	10/19/16
All Parties File Rebuttal Testimony ³ on FSA Part 1	10/26/16
All Parties File Prehearing Conference Statements and Exhibit Lists Part 1	11/2/16
Prehearing Conference Part 1	11/9/16
Evidentiary Hearing (EH) on FSA Part 1	11/15/16
Final Staff Assessment Part 2	2 weeks from FDOC
All Parties File Opening Testimony Part 2	TBD ⁴
All Parties File Rebuttal Testimony Part 2	TBD
All Parties File Prehearing Conference Statements and Exhibit Lists Part 2	TBD
Prehearing Conference Part 2	TBD
Evidentiary Hearing (EH) on FSA Part 2	TBD
Presiding Members Proposed Decision (PMPD) Published	TBD
Committee Conference on PMPD	TBD
Close of public comment period on PMPD	TBD
Errata/Revisions to PMPD	TBD
Final Adoption Hearing by the California Energy Commission	TBD

¹ See the Revised Scheduling Order TN 213403, filed 8/31/16.

² This Schedule applies to the FSA Part 1. A separate Notice and schedule will be issued after the FSA Part 2 is published.

³ Rebuttal testimony is in response to an issue first raised in opening testimony. Testimony which could have, with reasonable diligence, been filed as opening testimony, may be subject to exclusion from rebuttal on the motion of a party or the Committee's own initiative.

⁴ To be determined.

Purpose of Prehearing Conference

The Prehearing Conference is a public forum where the Committee will assess the parties' (Applicant, Energy Commission Staff, Intervenors) readiness for an Evidentiary Hearing, the format of the Evidentiary Hearing, identify areas of agreement or dispute, and discuss the remaining schedule and procedures necessary to conclude the AFC process. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1224.)

Local, state, federal, and tribal governmental agencies may participate in the Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing as necessary. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1714.5.) Elected officials and members of the public may present public comments at these events and/or submit written comments via the Energy Commission's e-Commenting system at:

<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=13-AFC-01>.

ORDER REGARDING PREHEARING CONFERENCE STATEMENTS AND EXHIBIT LISTS

All parties are **ORDERED** to docket a Prehearing Conference Statement and Exhibit List ***no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 2, 2016***, unless otherwise directed by the Committee. Failure to timely docket a Prehearing Conference Statement and Exhibit List may result in exclusion of evidence.

"Subject areas" are identified in the table of contents of the Final Staff Assessment (FSA), Part 1.⁵

The Prehearing Conference Statement must specify under separate headings:

1. The subject areas that are complete and ready to proceed to Evidentiary Hearing;
2. The subject areas upon which any party proposes to introduce testimony in writing rather than through oral testimony;
3. The subject areas that are not complete and not yet ready to proceed to Evidentiary Hearing, and the reasons therefor;
4. The subject areas that remain disputed and require adjudication, the issues in dispute, and the precise nature of the dispute for each issue;
5. The identity of each witness the party intends to sponsor at the Evidentiary Hearing, the subject area(s) about which the witness(es) will offer testimony, whether the testimony will be oral or in writing, a brief summary of the testimony

⁵ TN 213768

to be offered by the witness(es), qualifications of each witness, the time required to present testimony by each witness, and whether the witness seeks to testify telephonically;

6. Subject areas upon which the party desires to question the other parties' witness(es), a summary of the scope of the questions (including questions regarding witness qualifications), the issue(s) to which the questions pertain, and the time desired to question each witness. (Note: a party who fails to provide, with specificity, the scope, relevance and time for questioning other parties' witness(es) risks preclusion from questioning witnesses on that subject area.);
7. A list identifying exhibits with transaction numbers (TN) that the party intends to offer into evidence during the Evidentiary Hearing and the technical subject areas to which they apply (see below for further details on Exhibit Lists); and
8. Proposals for briefing deadlines or other scheduling matters.

All documentary evidence must be docketed in this proceeding's docket (13-AFC-01) and have a transaction number assigned by the California Energy Commission Dockets Unit in accordance with the Revised General Orders Regarding Electronic Document Formats, Electronic Filing and Service of Documents and Other Matters filed August 5, 2016.⁶ **Exhibits without a TN, or not docketed in this proceeding's docket, will not be received into evidence absent a showing of good cause.**

The parties shall exchange documentary evidence, including written testimony, by docketing an **Exhibit List**. Each document shall be numbered and identified on the Exhibit List as follows:

- Applicant's exhibits shall be numbered *consecutively* as **Exhibits 1000 through 1999**;
- Energy Commission Staff's exhibits shall be numbered *consecutively* as **Exhibits 2000 through 2999**; and
- Intervenor Los Cerritos Wetlands Land Trust's exhibits shall be numbered *consecutively* as **Exhibits 3000 through 3999**.

The Exhibit Lists shall be formatted as four columns. The first column shall list the proposed Exhibit Number. The second column shall contain the TN of the corresponding document. The third column shall state the title of the document as shown in the docket. The fourth column shall state the subject area(s) to which the exhibit applies. Hearing Office Staff from the Energy Commission will then add the Exhibit Number information into the e-filing system and issue a Master Exhibit List.

Failure of a party to comply with the filing requirements stated in this Order may preclude that party from participating in the Evidentiary Hearing.

⁶ TN 212646

Formal and Informal Hearing Procedures

Pursuant to California Government Code section 11445.10 et seq., and California Code of Regulations, Title 20, §§ 1207, 1210, the Committee may conduct all or portions of the Evidentiary Hearing using an informal procedure. At the Prehearing Conference, the Committee will discuss with the parties the use of informal and formal procedures.

The informal hearing process would generally proceed in the following order:

1. All parties' witnesses on the subject area at hand are sworn in as a panel;
2. Applicant's witnesses would provide a brief opening statement summarizing the key points and conclusions of their testimony;
3. Staff's witnesses would provide a brief opening statement summarizing the key points and conclusions of their testimony;
4. Intervenors' witnesses would provide a brief opening statement summarizing the key points and conclusions of their testimony;
5. Open discussion among the witness panelists led by the Committee;
6. Attorneys may follow up with questions to their own or other witnesses to the extent the Committee finds the questioning productive; and
7. At the conclusion of the attorneys' examination of the witnesses, the Committee may ask witnesses additional questions or allow panelists to ask additional questions of each other and to offer follow-up answers.

The formal hearing process would generally proceed as follows:

1. A party asks direct questions of its witnesses on the subject area at hand, either one at a time or seated as a panel.
2. The other parties then, in turn, ask cross-examination questions of the witness or panel who just testified.
3. The offering party can ask re-direct questions at the Committee's discretion.
4. The other parties can ask re-cross questions at the Committee's discretion.
5. Repeat the above steps for the witnesses offered by the other parties.

Notice of Closed Session Deliberations

At any time during the conference or hearing, the Committee may adjourn to a 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.

Transcripts

Parties are responsible for identifying errors in the transcripts of the proceedings. Corrections to the transcripts must be submitted to the Committee within 30 days of the filing of a transcript.

Public Adviser and Public Participation

Members of the public are welcome to attend and offer oral or written comments at the Prehearing Conference and at the Evidentiary Hearing. It is not necessary to be an intervenor to participate in the public process. Written comments may also be submitted electronically by visiting the website at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/alamitos> and clicking on the “Submit e-Comment” link in the “Original Proceeding” box. Otherwise, written comments may be submitted by e-mailing them to docket@energy.ca.gov, or by U.S. Mail to:

California Energy Commission
Docket Unit
Docket No. 13-AFC-01
1516 Ninth Street, MS-4
Sacramento, CA 95814

For all comments, please include the document number and proceeding name, “**Docket No. 13-AFC-01, Alamitos Energy Center**” in the subject line and on the cover page.

PLEASE NOTE: Your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, e-mail, etc.) become part of the viewable public record. Additionally, this information may become available via search engines such as Google and Yahoo.

The Energy Commission’s Public Adviser’s Office is available to assist the public in participating in the proceedings. For assistance, contact Alana Mathews, Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 or (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at publicadviser@energy.ca.gov.

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate in the Prehearing Conference or Evidentiary Hearing, contact Poneh Jones at least five days prior to the event at (916) 654-4425, or by e-mail at poneh.jones@energy.ca.gov.

Contact Information

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Kenneth Celli, Hearing Officer, at (916) 651-8893, or by e-mail at ken.celli@energy.ca.gov.

Technical questions about the project should be directed to Keith Winstead, Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-5191, or by e-mail at keith.winstead@energy.ca.gov.

Media inquiries should be directed to the Media and Public Communications Office at (916) 654-4989 or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov.

Information regarding the status of the project, as well as notices and other relevant documents pertaining to this proceeding, may be viewed on the Energy Commission's web page at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/alamitos>.

Dated: October 14, 2016 at Sacramento, California

Original signed by

KAREN DOUGLAS
Commissioner and Presiding Member
Alamitos Energy Center AFC Committee

Original signed by

JANEA A. SCOTT
Commissioner and Associate Member
Alamitos Energy Center AFC Committee

Sent to mailing list number 7502, 7503, 7504

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING WEBEX TELECONFERENCING
USING YOUR COMPUTER AND/OR TELEPHONE**

EVENT	DATE	MEETING NUMBER
Alamitos Prehearing Conference	Wednesday November 9, 2016 3:00 p.m.	923 848 042
Alamitos Evidentiary Hearing	Tuesday November 15, 2016 12:00 p.m. noon	929 750 730

Using Your Computer:

1. Go to <https://energy.webex.com> and enter the above meeting number.
2. When prompted, enter your name and e-mail address.
3. After a moment, an Audio Conference Box will offer you a choice of audio connections:
 - a) To have WebEx call you back: Type your area code and phone number into the drop down box and click "Call Me" (Click on "Use Phone" if you do not see the drop down box.)
 - b) To call into the teleconference from your phone (if, for example, your phone is an extension or you are an international caller): Use the drop-down box to select "I will Call in" and follow the on-screen directions. Click "All global call-in numbers" if you need to look up an international call-in number.
 - c) To listen and talk over your computer: If you have the needed equipment and your computer is configured, click the "Call Using Computer" button. (You may need to click "Use Computer for Audio" to make the button visible.)

Telephone Only:

1. Call 1 (866) 469-3239 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada. International Callers can select a global call-in number at <https://energy.webex.com/energy/globalcallin.php>.)
2. When prompted enter the meeting number above.

Please be aware that WebEx audio and on-screen activity may be recorded. WebEx Technical Support is available at 1 (866) 229-3239.

**Prehearing Conference Agenda
Alamitos Energy Center Amendment**

**Wednesday, November 9, 2016
Beginning at 3:00 p.m.**

**California Energy Commission
Art Rosenfeld Room – Hearing Room A
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814**

1. Call to Order
2. Report from Applicant, Staff and Intervenor(s) regarding their readiness for the upcoming Evidentiary Hearing, proposed testimony and witnesses; Committee discussions with the parties about the order of subject areas, use of informal and formal procedures, and other matters in preparation for the Hearing.

3. Public Comment

Members of the public and other interested persons and entities may speak up to three minutes on a matter appearing on this agenda.

4. Closed Session (if necessary)

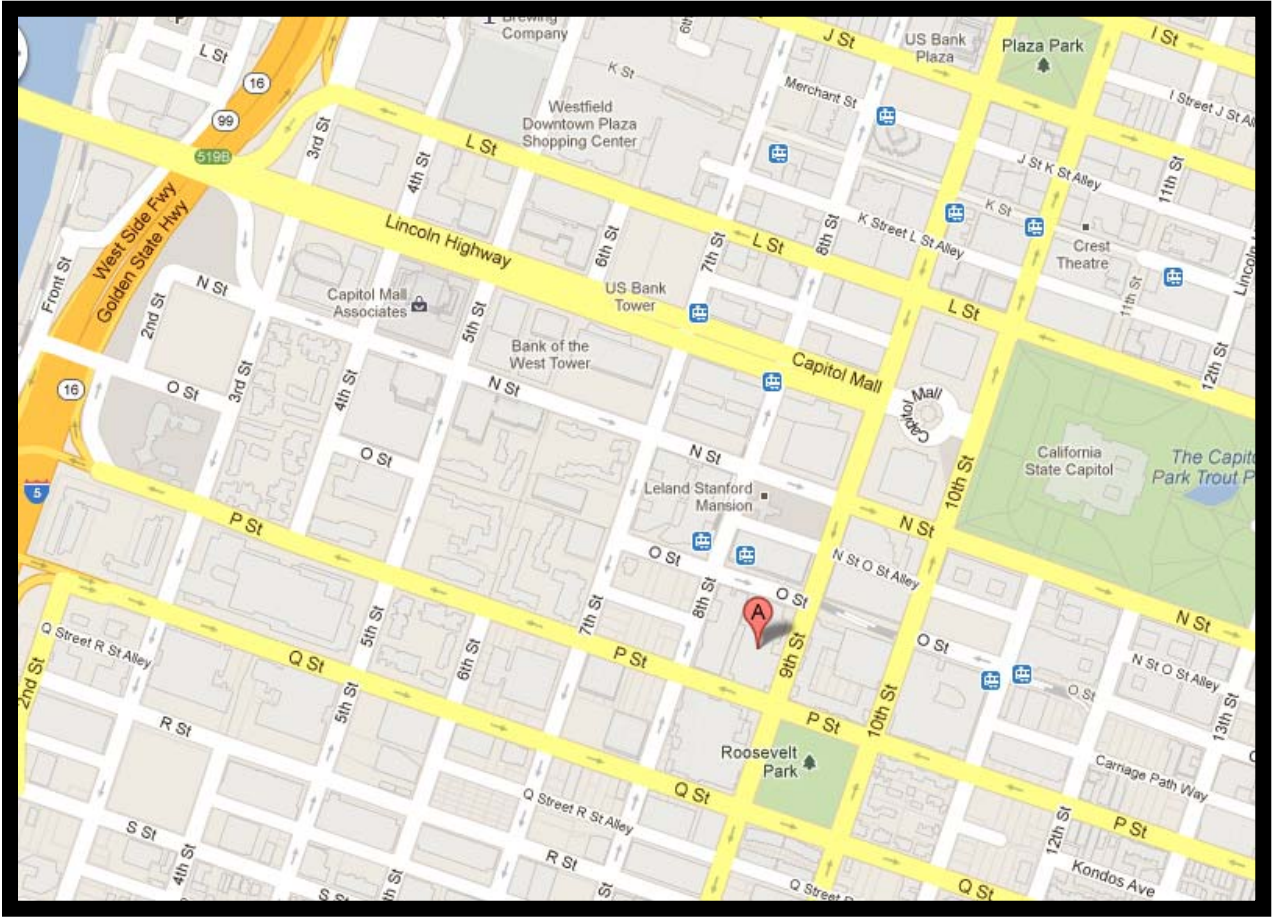
Closed session deliberation by the Committee on any matters submitted for decision by the Committee including, but not limited to, pending motions and scheduling.

The Committee may adjourn to Closed Session in accordance with 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.

5. Adjourn

Agency Contact: Kenneth Celli, Hearing Officer, at (916) 651-8893 or e-mail at ken.celli@energy.ca.gov.

**Prehearing Conference at the California Energy Commission
Art Rosenfeld Room – Hearing Room A
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
(Wheelchair Accessible)**



**Evidentiary Hearing Agenda
Alamitos Energy Center Amendment**

**Tuesday, November 15, 2016
Beginning at Noon - Public Comment Period Begins at 3:00 p.m.**

**The Grand Event Center
Catalina Room
4101 E. Willow Street
Long Beach CA 90815**

1. Call to Order – noon
2. Evidentiary Hearing

The order of subject areas will be determined following the November 9, 2016 Prehearing Conference and announced by a separate document filed in the Docket and available via the Energy Commission's webpage at:
<http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/alamitos/>.

Receipt of evidence from Applicant, Staff, and Intervenor(s) on the Application for the Alamitos Energy Center.

3. Public Comment – 3:00 p.m.

Members of the public and other interested persons and entities may speak up to three minutes on a matter appearing on this agenda. The Committee has set aside specific time to receive public comments at 3:00 p.m.

4. Closed Session (if necessary)

Committee Closed Session consideration of the following item:

APPLICATION FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF THE ALAMITOS ENERGY CENTER

Deliberation by the Committee on any matters submitted for decision by the Committee including, but not limited to, pending motions and scheduling.

The Committee may adjourn to Closed Session in accordance with 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.

5. Adjourn

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