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PETITION FOR POST CERTIFICATION PROJECT CHANGE  
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA POWER AGENCY GEOTHERMAL PLANT NO. 2  
(79-AFC-02C)**

On September 27, 2021, the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) filed a post certification petition with the California Energy Commission (CEC) for the NCPA Geothermal Plant No. 2 (NCPA-2).

NCPA-2 is a 110-megawatt generating geothermal facility consisting of steam wells, steam gathering and reinjection wells systems, a transmission tapline, and two steam turbine units, which can operate independently. The facility is located on federal land approximately 60 miles northwest of Sacramento in Sonoma County in the unincorporated town of Anderson Springs, where the facility's geothermal steam wells are located. The facility was certified by the CEC on March 12, 1980, and began commercial operation on February 1, 1982.

**SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES**

The purpose of this modification is to establish a 230 kilovolt (kV) intertie connection between the NCPA gen-tie transmission lines that would allow NCPA-2 and NCPA-3 to generate onto whichever gen-tie line is available. The proposed inter-tie connection would neither parallel the lines nor be used when the two transmission lines are energized concurrently. The proposed modification also includes installation of a 230kV non-load break disconnection switch at the NCPA-2's switchyard.

For additional information, the [CEC's project webpage](https://www.energy.ca.gov/powerplant/steam-turbine/ncpa-geothermal-plant-no-1-formerly-ncpa-2), <https://www.energy.ca.gov/powerplant/steam-turbine/ncpa-geothermal-plant-no-1-formerly-ncpa-2>, has a link to the petition accessible through the webpage in the box labeled "Compliance Proceeding." Click on the "Documents for this Proceeding (Docket Log)" option.

**CEC REVIEW PROCESS**

This petition is being reviewed pursuant to Title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 1769. The review process includes an evaluation of the effect the change could have on the environment; the project's compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, or standards; and whether a change to,

or deletion of, any condition of certification in the CEC Decision or subsequent amendments is required.

After staff has completed its independent review and analysis of this petition, the assessment will be published for public review and comment. Included in the staff analysis, staff will provide written notice of its intent to either process the proposed changes as a staff-approved project change or schedule it for consideration by the CEC at a regularly scheduled business meeting.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

This notice of receipt is being mailed to the CEC's facility mailing list of interested agencies, the public, and property owners that requested placement on the mailing list and list serve and to property owners within 1,000 feet of the facility site. The list serve is an automated CEC system by which information about this facility is emailed to parties who have subscribed. To subscribe, go to the [CEC's project webpage](#), cited above, scroll down the right side of the project webpage to the box labeled "Subscribe," and provide the requested contact information.

Any person may comment on the petition or the staff analysis when publicly available. The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system. To use the CEC's electronic commenting feature, go to the [CEC's project webpage](#), cited above, click on the "[Submit e-Comment](#)" link and follow the instructions in the online form. Be sure to include the facility name in your comments.

Written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (for example, address, phone number, email address) become part of the viewable public record. This information may also become available via any internet search engine.

Written comments may also be mailed to:

California Energy Commission  
Docket Unit, MS-4  
Docket No. **79-AFC-02C**  
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