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SUMMARY OF RECEIVED PETITION PETITION FOR POST CERTIFICATION CHANGE SUNRISE POWER PROJECT (98-AFC-04C)

On May 21, 2024, the Sunrise Power Company, LLC (project owner) filed a Post-Certification Petition for Changes in Project Design, Operation, or Performance and Amendments to the Commission Decision (Petition) ([TN# 256480](#)) with the California Energy Commission (CEC) for the Sunrise Power Project (SPP) pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1769.

The SPP, a 635-megawatt (MW) combined-cycle, natural gas facility was certified by the CEC in December 2000 and began commercial operation in June 2001. The facility is located at 12857 Sunrise Power Road in Fellows, Kern County, approximately 35 miles southwest of the city of Bakersfield.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES

The project owner seeks approval to modify its previously approved petition, the "Sunrise Improvement Project" ([TN# 248167](#)) which increased megawatt production at the facility from 585 MWs to 635 MWs. During the interconnection renewal discussions with Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E), the project owner requested an additional 35 MWs above the existing agreement capacity of 600 MWs. The project owner's request to increase capacity by 35 MWs was denied, restricting plant output to the original 600 MW limit. Due to the 600 MW interconnection agreement limitation, the project owner changed uprate providers from General Electric to Power Systems Manufacturing (PSM). The petition, also referred to as the "Sunrise Repowering Project," would produce a total power output of 596 MWs, within SPP's 600 MW limitation. The proposed project change includes the replacement and reconditioning of select combustion and turbine uprate hardware.

For additional information, the CEC's project [webpage](#) , <https://www.energy.ca.gov/powerplant/simple-cycle/sunrise-power-project>, 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.

REVIEW PROCESS

This petition is reviewed pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, 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 adopted by the CEC in the final 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, will be written notice of staff's 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 summary of the received petition is being mailed to the following persons on the CEC's mailing list for the project: interested agencies, members of the public, property owners who requested placement on the mailing list, and property owners within 500 feet of linear features (for example, pipeline) and within 1,000 feet of the facility. The notice is also being sent electronically using the Sunrise Power Plant electronic subscription service. The electronic subscription service 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 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. 98-AFC-04C
715 P Street
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If you have questions about this notice, please contact Compliance Project Manager Ashley Gutierrez, Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Unit, Safety and Reliability Branch, at (916) 839-0400 or via e-mail at ashley.gutierrez@energy.ca.gov. For information on public participation, please contact the CEC's Office of Public Advisor, Energy Equity, and Tribal Affairs at (916) 957-7910 or email at publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov.

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