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Hearing Officer Memorandum

To: All Parties and Persons Interested
In the Willow Rock Energy Storage Center
(21-AFC-02)

Date: September 5, 2024

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Subject: SAVE THE DATE: Please Hold November 6, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for a Potential Informational Hearing and Site Visit in Rosamond, California for Willow Rock Energy Storage Center (21-AFC-02)

In its Order Terminating the Suspension of the Willow Rock Energy Storage Center Proceeding 21-AFC-02, the Committee found it appropriate to convene a subsequent informational hearing and site visit due to the changed circumstances including the relocation and reconfiguration of the project reflected in the supplemental application for certification (Supplemental AFC). (See [TN 258022](#).)

After assessing the availability of the Committee members, **the Presiding Member is considering Thursday, November 6, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., as the date to convene the informational hearing on the Supplemental AFC** in the community of Rosamond in Kern County, California and conduct the visit to the proposed site.

The Hearing Officer will secure publicly accessible meeting facilities in or near the community of Rosamond for in-person attendance at the informational hearing, along with necessary teleconferencing equipment to enable remote participation by the public. The Applicant is requested to arrange round-trip ground transportation for the decisionmakers, the parties, and the public, between the informational hearing location and proposed site.

The Hearing Office is greatly appreciative for the responses of the parties polled for their availability in late September or October. The date considered in this announcement reflects the first and only date that both Committee members are available for this event. Since this date is 60 days in the future, hopefully the lead time affords all parties and partner agencies sufficient time to arrange for their key representatives and/or colleagues to attend.

Please note that once the event details are solidified, the Presiding Member will post a Notice of Informational Hearing and Site Visit pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1709.7(a), which will include further instructions on how the parties, interested persons, and the public may participate in the informational hearing and site visit.