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**NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF AN OPT-IN CERTIFICATION APPLICATION  
FOR  
CORBY BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM PROJECT**

On November 7, 2024, the California Energy Commission (CEC) received an application from North Bay Interconnect, LLC and Corby Energy Storage, LLC ("applicant"), for certification from the CEC through the Opt-In process for the Corby Battery Energy Storage System Project (project) (24-OPT-05). The project is proposed on an approximately 40.3-acre privately owned parcel (Assessor's Parcel Number 0141-030-090) southwest of the intersection of Kilkenny Road and Byrnes Road in Solano County, California. This notice of receipt of the application is published pursuant to Public Resources Code, sections 25519, subdivision (g) and 25545.8.

**Project Description**

The project would include a 300-megawatt (MW) battery energy storage system (BESS), associated project substation, inverters, and other ancillary facilities, such as fencing, sound barrier, roads, retention basins, storage containers, and a supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system. The project site is currently used as agricultural land for row crops.

The project would connect to the Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) Vaca-Dixon Substation across Interstate 80 (I-80) and northwest of the project site, using an approximately 1.1-mile long 230-kilovolt (kV) generation tie (gen-tie) line, portions of which would be installed overhead and underground. The underground portion of the gen-tie line would run east-west parallel to and crossing Kilkenny Road, either within acquired easements on adjacent parcels or within the Kilkenny Road right-of-way. The overhead portions would include two structures on the project site, four structures between Kilkenny Road and I-80 on private land owned by the applicant, and up to four structures north of I-80 on PG&E-owned property adjacent to the Vaca-Dixon Substation, for a total of up to ten overhead gen-tie structures.

To accommodate the interconnection of the project, PG&E would install a new 230-kV Double Bus Bay structure with associated foundations and supports on approximately 0.6 acre of the existing substation. This new bay would house four switch support structures and associated equipment for the new 230-kV connection. PG&E would also construct, own, and operate the portion of the gen-tie between the point of change of ownership pole immediately south of I-80 and the first point of interconnection at the Vaca-Dixon Substation, including five of the ten structures.

The project would be unstaffed after construction, with operational control from an offsite control room through the SCADA system. Operational staff would perform periodic inspections and maintenance as necessary. The Project Description (TN 259872) section of the application can be accessed directly at the following link: <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=259872&DocumentContentId=96060>

**CEC Jurisdiction and Opt-In Certification Program**

Pursuant to state law, the CEC has established a certification program for eligible non-fossil fueled power plants, energy storage facilities, and related facilities to optionally seek certification from the CEC. (See Pub. Resources Code, §§ 25545-25545.13; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, §§ 1875-1882.) Under the Opt-In Certification Program, among the types of facilities the CEC can certify are energy storage facilities of 200 megawatt-hours (MWh) or more and the electric transmission lines from these facilities to the first point of interconnection with the existing transmission grid. The CEC is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act and is required to prepare an environmental impact report (EIR) for any facility that elects to opt-in to the CEC's jurisdiction.

With exceptions, the issuance of a certificate by the CEC for an eligible facility is in lieu of any permit, certificate, or similar document required by any state, local, or regional agency for the use of the site and related facilities, and supersedes any applicable statute, ordinance, or regulation of any state, local, or regional agency. The CEC is required to make its decision on whether to certify the project within 270 days of receiving a complete application. The CEC is required to consult with all responsible and trustee agencies on the scope and content of the EIR. The CEC staff has begun its review of the application which has not been deemed complete at this time and transmitted the application to responsible and trustee agencies.

Once the application is deemed complete, the CEC staff will evaluate the proposed project, consult with California Native American tribes, and host public meetings in the project area. This will include an informational and public scoping meeting during the development of the EIR, as well as a public meeting during the 60-day comment period on the Draft EIR, which will be included as part of the CEC's Staff Assessment of the application. After the conclusion of the public comment period, the CEC staff will publish an updated Staff Assessment (which will include a Final EIR), and the CEC Executive Director's recommendation on whether the CEC should certify the EIR and issue a certificate for construction and operation of the proposed project. The updated Staff Assessment and Executive Director's recommendation will be published at least 30 days before the CEC's consideration at a public meeting.

At the final public meeting, the CEC will formally decide whether to certify the EIR and grant a certification for construction and operation of the proposed project. Should the certification be granted, other agencies that retain their permitting authorities must take final action on any additional permits within 90 days of the CEC issuing a certificate.

**Public Participation**

The CEC welcomes public participation in the Opt-In review process. A copy of the Opt-In application as well as other project information, can be found on the CEC website at: <https://www.energy.ca.gov/powerplant/battery-storage-system/corby-battery-energy-storage-system-project>. To stay informed about this project and receive notice of upcoming meetings and workshops, sign up to the project's email subscription, which can be accessed on the same project webpage. Once enrolled, automatic email notifications are sent when documents and notices are posted to the project webpage. This notice will be the only general public notification of this project that will appear in this publication. If you want to stay informed or participate in the project review and decision-making process, please visit the web page linked above to subscribe for free email notifications from the CEC or contact the Public Advisor's Office (see contact info below). Information about the Opt-In Certification Program can be found on the CEC website at: <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/topics/power-plants/opt-certification-program>

For questions about the project, please contact Renee Longman, project manager, by email at [renee.longman@energy.ca.gov](mailto:renee.longman@energy.ca.gov).

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