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**Re: Huntington Beach Energy Project (12-AFC-02)
Applicant's Status Report (October 1, 2013)**

Dear Commissioners and Hearing Adviser Cochran:

Applicant AES Southland Development, LLC submits this Status Report for the Huntington Beach Energy Project ("HBEP") pursuant to the direction set forth in the Committee's Second Revised Committee Scheduling Order dated July 31, 2013.

Over the course of the past month, Applicant has docketed the Phase I Interconnection Report (CEC TN #200631) as well as responses to Staff's informal data requests relating to Alternatives and Water Resources (CEC TN #200675). To Applicant's knowledge, the only outstanding information required from Applicant is updated meteorological data for air dispersion modeling as such relates to Data Request Set 1 (#23-26) and Data Request Sets 4 and 5 (responses to be provided as applicable). As noted previously, Applicant anticipates filing such updated data responses the week of October 14, 2013.

Since the filing of the parties' September 1, 2013 Status Reports, this Committee issued an Order on September 10, 2013 directing Staff to submit a revised report describing the progress on each technical area of the Preliminary Staff Assessment ("PSA") and reasons for the delay of its



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publication. Staff filed a revised Status Report on September 16, 2013 in response to the Order and explained that publication of a bifurcated PSA is expected the week of September 30, 2013. (See Memorandum dated September 16, 2013 from Siting Project Manager, Felicia Miller, at p. 1.)

As indicated in Applicant's September 1, 2013 Status Report, Applicant remains concerned that this proceeding is moving far too slowly. HBEP is a critical project needed to maintain reliability in the Los Angeles Basin. Applicant has committed significant resources toward the permitting and development of the project and wishes to move the application for certification process more quickly toward a Final Decision. Applicant looks forward to CEC Staff publishing PSA Part A this week.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Melissa A. Foster". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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