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# Memorandum

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**To:** **Commissioner Karen Douglas**, Presiding Member, Bottle Rock Amendment Committee  
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**Subject :** **STATUS REPORT NO. 2, BOTTLE ROCK GEOTHERMAL POWER PLANT (BRPP)  
PETITION TO AMEND (79-AFC-4C)**

On September 6, 2013, staff published its analysis of the BRPP's Petition to Amend and a compilation of the facility's existing conditions of certification. Staff's recommendations included: reinstating the closure surety bond with an initial obligation of \$4.13 million; maintaining the \$10 million environmental impairment liability insurance policy; requiring the submittal of a provisional closure plan and cost estimate, updated triennially; and updating the BRPP's 1983 General Provisions to require emergency response contingency and preliminary decommissioning planning. The public comment period for the Staff Analysis was extended to October 2, 2013, and a public notice of the October 4, 2013 Staff Workshop was posted online and disseminated to interested parties and local libraries on September 13, 2013.

## Staff Issues/Comments

### **1. Information Requests and Administrative Corrections to the Existing Conditions of Certification**

In response to a BRP information request, staff is presently preparing and posting an electronic copy of the 1996 Bottle Rock Decommissioning Cost Estimate prepared by Dames and Moore. Per the Committee's June 28, 2013 Scheduling Order, staff is also identifying administrative corrections to the existing BRPP Conditions of Certification to be discussed at the October 4 Staff Workshop.

### **2. Staff Workshop**

Public comments on the Staff Analysis are due October 2, 2013. Staff will review comments in preparation for the October 4 Staff Workshop.

## Supplemental Staff Analysis

At this time, staff does not anticipate a need to file a supplemental staff analysis.

## **Schedule**

Scheduling changes to the Committee's June 28, 2013 Scheduling Order, as approved by the Hearing Office, are provided in bold below.

| <b>ACTIVITY</b>   | <b>COMMITTEE SCHEDULE</b>              |
|---|--|
| Site Visit and Committee Conference   | 05-31-13                               |
| Data Requests Served  | 07-02-13                               |
| Bottle Rock Files Responses to Data Requests  | 07-29-13                               |
| Parties file Status Reports   | 08-09-13                               |
| Staff Assessment Filed  | 08-30-13                               |
| Staff Assessment Workshop   | 09-13-13*                              |
| Staff Assessment Comment Period Closes  | <del>09-20-13</del><br><b>10-02-13</b> |
| Parties Submit Status Reports, Staff Reports Whether It Will File a Supplemental Staff Assessment | 09-27-13                               |
| Supplemental Staff Assessment (if necessary) Filed  | 10-21-13                               |
| Parties Prehearing Statements Identifying Witnesses, Exhibits and Issues Filed                    | 11-04-13                               |
| Committee Hearing   | 11-14-13*                              |
| Proposed Decision Issued  | 12-06-13*                              |
| Proposed Decision Considered at Commission Business Meeting                                       | January 2014                           |

\*approximate data (actual date to be determined by staff or the Committee, as appropriate)

cc: Docket (79-AFC-4C)