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NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP
REGARDING THE PROPOSED BLYTHE SOLAR POWER PROJECT
REVISED AMENDMENT (09-AFC-6C)

The workshop will be held on:
Tuesday November 12, 2013
Starting at 10:00 a.m.

The workshop will be held at:
The California Energy Commission, Hearing Room B
1516 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814-5512
(Wheelchair accessible, map attached)

To participate in the meeting by telephone:
WebEx call-in toll-free number: **1-866-469-3239**
WebEx meeting number: **925 267 505**
WebEx meeting password: **blythe#2013**

Purpose

California Energy Commission staff will hold a workshop to discuss with NextEra Blythe Energy Center, LLC (NextEra) substantive issues related to the Staff Assessment Parts A and B for the Revised Petition to Amend. Specific technical areas to be discussed are: Air Quality, Biological Resources, Paleontological Resources, and Soil and Water Resources. The public, state and federal agencies, and tribes are encouraged to attend or participate by teleconference. Comments to be filed by NextEra on Monday, November 4, 2013, will be available on the project webpage http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/blythe_solar/ (Docket Log) along with comments received from other agencies and/or members of the public.

Additionally, the workshop will have time set aside for members of the public to comment on or ask questions about the proposed Blythe Solar Power Project (BSPP) Amendment and staff's ongoing environmental review, especially comments or questions related to the technical areas listed above. Technical or schedule questions should be directed to Mary Dyas, Compliance Project Manager for the BSPP project, at (916) 651-8891, or e-mail her at mary.dyas@energy.ca.gov.

Summary of the Proposed BSPP Project Amendment

The modifications proposed in the revised petition would replace the solar thermal technology entirely with PV generating technology, reduce the physical size of the BSPP, and reduce the amount of generated electricity. Linear access to the site would be the same as for the original approved project, and the BSPP would continue to interconnect to the regional transmission grid via the same gen-tie line to Southern California Edison's Colorado River Substation, which is currently under construction.

NextEra proposes to develop the BSPP in four phases designed to generate a total of approximately 485 MW (nominal) of electricity when completed. NextEra has not selected the specific PV modules nor has it decided on whether a tracker system, fixed tilt system, or combination of the two systems would be installed. NextEra is requesting the Decision be amended to allow the specific combination of PV technologies to be selected prior to construction without the need for filing another amendment. All four units would share an operations and maintenance facility, one on-site switchyard, access and maintenance roads, perimeter fencing and other ancillary security facilities, and a 230-kV gen-tie line.

The modified project would be located entirely on publicly-owned land managed by BLM, a total of 4,070 acres, excluding off-site linear facilities.

Attendance by the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office

A representative of the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office may attend the workshop and be available to address any questions regarding opportunities for public involvement in the Energy Commission's project review process.

Participation

If you desire information on how to participate in the Energy Commission's review of the proposed project, please contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser at (916) 654-4489, or toll-free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by email at PublicAdviser@energy.ca.gov.

To request special accommodations for those persons with disabilities, please contact Lourdes Quiroz, the Energy Commission's Equal Employment Opportunity Officer, at (916) 654-5146, or email at lou.quiroz@energy.ca.gov. For those persons with limited English knowledge, request interpreter services by contacting the Compliance Project Manager, Mary Dyas, at (916) 651-8891.

Anyone who wishes to provide comments on the amendment petition or Staff Assessment are asked to submit their comments using the Energy Commission's e-commenting feature by going to the Energy Commission's Blythe Solar Power Project webpage [http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/blythe_solar/], and clicking on the "Submit e-Comment" link. A full name, e-mail address, comment title, and either a comment or an attached document (in the .doc, .docx, or .pdf format) are mandatory. After entering a challenge-response test used by the system to ensure that responses are generated by a human user and not a computer, click on the "Agree & Submit Your comment" button to submit the comment to the Energy Commission Dockets Unit. Written comments may also be mailed or hand delivered to:

California Energy Commission
Dockets Unit, MS-4
Docket No. (09-AFC-6C)
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

All comments and materials filed with the Dockets Unit will become part of the public record of the proceeding. Additionally, comments will be posted on the BSPP webpage of the Energy Commission's website.

To obtain additional information about the BSPP project, you can subscribe to receive e-mail notification of all notices of meetings and announcements at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers>. By being on this e-mail list, you will receive all notices of meetings and documents pertaining to the project's evaluation and review.

The status of the project, an electronic copy of the amendment petition, staff reports, copies of notices, and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission's website at http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/blythe_solar/.

News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media and Communications Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

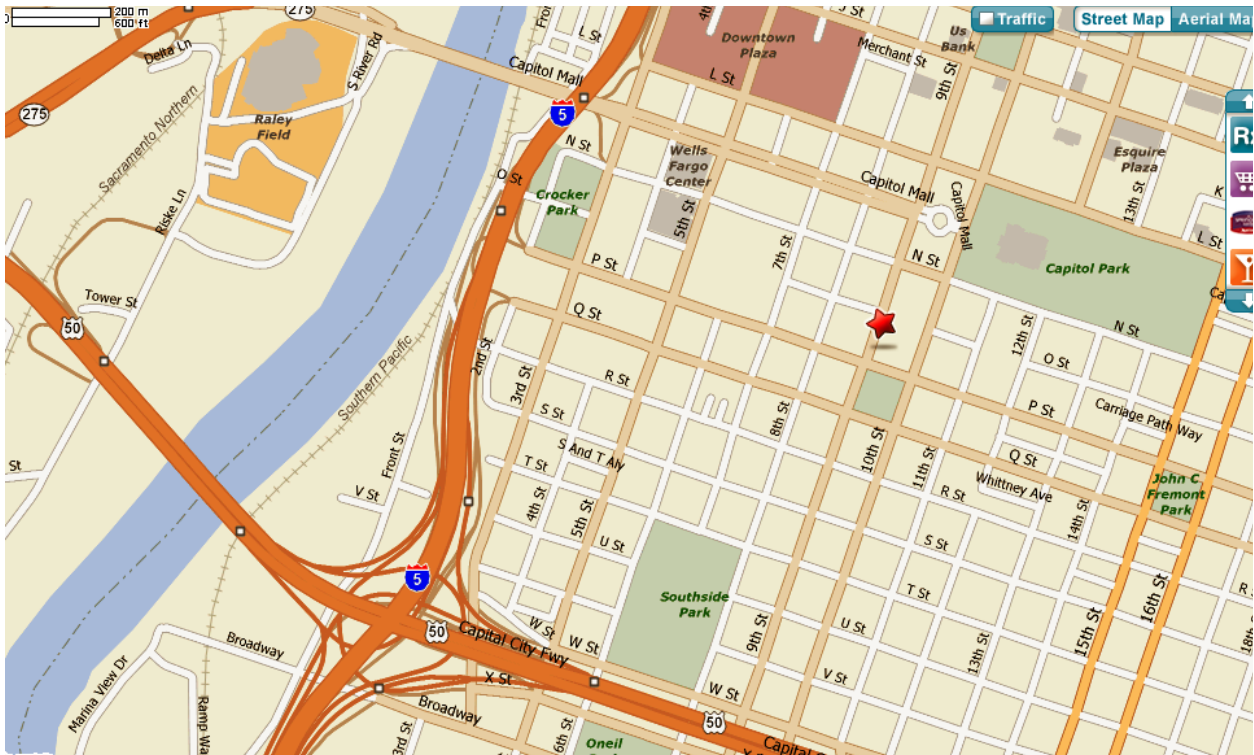
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NOVEMBER 12, 2013
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