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Subject: SCAQMD AES Power Plant Air Pollution Testimony to Redondo Beach City Council

During the CEC's December public meeting on the AES Redondo power plant, BBR's Jim Light referred to testimony of the AQMD at a Redondo Beach City Council Meeting. CEC staff requested more details on this testimony. Due to the fact that BBR participated online, we could not discern which of the staff asked for this information.

Mr. Mohsen Nazemi, Deputy Executive Director SCAQMD, testified before the Redondo Beach City Council regarding repowering the AES Power Plant on 10 April 2012. This was part of City Council Meeting Agenda Item L1 and a video of this testimony can be viewed at the following url:

http://redondo.siretechnologies.com/sirepub/mtgviewer.aspx?meetid=165&doctype=AGENDA

At approximately 3:05:30 (hrs:mins:secs) into the video, Mr. Nazemi responds to a question from Councilman Aust. Mr. Nazemi agrees that AES is probably the biggest single source of pollution in Redondo Beach. At 3:06:02 he states that the Port of LA and the Port of Long Beach are the biggest sources of air pollution in the region, but at 3:06:30 he states that these would not be a major contributor to pollution in Redondo Beach most of the time due to prevailing winds. At 3:08:05, in response to a question related to the air pollution impacts of vehicular traffic air pollution, Mr. Nazemi states stationary air pollution sources are of concern due to the localized impacts of their toxic emissions.

One small note of clarification: During the line of questioning during this timeframe, Councilman Aust makes a statement that is inaccurate about PCH traffic near the power plant. He states 200,000 cars use PCH daily in this area. The actual number is an average of around 40,000 vehicles per day based on traffic counts used in recent Redondo Beach environmental impact reports. 40,000 vehicles traveling through the area would not produce near the amount of toxic emissions of the proposed AES power plant running at 15% of total annual capacity, much less than the 72% total annual capacity limit included in AES' application.