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On October 16, 2013, the Redondo Beach Energy Project Siting Committee issued a Scheduling Order requiring status reports the first of every month, commencing on December 1, 2013. This status report responds to the Committee's requirement.

Discovery and Analysis

The Committee's schedule identified February 24, 2014, as the last day for discovery.

Staff's Data Requests (DRs) No. 26R and 28R, (TN201267) issued on November 20, 2013 requested the Applicant to perform additional noise measurements to establish the baseline ambient noise levels at two additional locations, one northeast of the existing power plant (M3) and one southeast of the existing power plant (M4). Staff's DRs specify that the measurements can be performed with or without the existing power plant operating. The Applicant has voluntarily stationed the noise monitoring equipment at M3 and M4 to be ready to collect baseline ambient noise levels when the existing power plant is dispatched to operate. The Applicant has decided the additional noise measurements will include the existing power plant operating. The Applicant has not determined when the existing power plant will be dispatched to operate and, according to the Applicant, it may not operate until the summer of this year which would delay staff's noise analysis and potentially delay publishing a complete Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA).

Staff is in the process of completing the technical topic sections for the PSA. Staff plans to file the PSA 30 days after it receives the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) from the South Coast Air Quality Management District. The District has informed staff that work on the PDOC is in progress.