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**BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE
ALAMITOS ENERGY CENTER
AES SOUTHLAND DEVELOPMENT, LLC.**

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COMMITTEE SCHEDULING ORDER

Background

On December 27, 2013, AES Southland Development, LLC submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to modernize the existing Alamitos Generating Station (AGS). The Alamitos Energy Center (AEC) would be located on approximately 63 acres of privately owned land. The proposed project site is bounded to the north by State Route 22, to the east by the San Gabriel River, to the south by 2nd Street, and to the west by N. Studebaker Rd. in the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California. The AEC is a proposed natural-gas-fired combined-cycle electrical generating facility with a net generating capacity of 1,936 megawatts (MW), which would replace and be constructed on the site of the AGS.

Summary

The Energy Commission designated a Committee of two Commissioners to conduct proceedings on the AFC. The Committee held a public Site Visit and Environmental Scoping Meeting/Informational Hearing at the Grand Ballroom of the Recreation Park 18 Golf Course in Long Beach, California, on Tuesday, April 29, 2014, to discuss the review process and to identify issues that could affect the schedule. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1709.7(c), the attached Committee Schedule is based on Applicant's and Staff's proposed schedules and related discussions at the Informational Hearing.

The schedule contains a list of events that must occur in order to complete the certification process. This initial schedule covers the period up to the Prehearing Conference with the balance of the schedule to be determined at the Prehearing Conference. The Committee encourages the parties to consider this schedule an outer boundary and make their best efforts to complete the milestones ahead of these dates. Some deadlines may be contingent upon reviews to be conducted by federal, state, and

local agencies. The Applicant must provide sufficient review time for the responsible agencies to meet the deadlines specified in the schedule.

Although the Energy Commission Staff indicated at the Informational Hearing that they have preliminarily identified no major issues in the application, technical issues and potential impacts over the course of the proposed 11.5-year demolition/construction phase, and the facility operation phase were raised by the public. The technical issue areas were alternatives, biological resources, air quality, land use, public health, noise, power plant efficiency, soil and water resources, traffic and transportation, waste management and hazardous materials management. Potential cumulative impacts, including those associated with a proposed laydown/storage area at the AEC site to be shared with the Huntington Beach Energy Project were also discussed. Resolution of these issues shall be addressed during the data exchange process and in public meetings with the parties and interested governmental agencies. Given the complexities involved in resolving these issues, the parties are on notice that the Committee may modify the schedule at any time upon either its own motion or that of a party. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1709.7(c).)

Status Reports and Conferences

The attached schedule requires periodic status reports to be submitted by all parties to determine whether case development is progressing satisfactorily and to bring potential schedule delays or other relevant matters to the Committee's attention. The burden is on the Applicant to produce the necessary data according to the schedule. If there are delays, the Committee may adopt a performance approach resulting in a commensurate lengthening of the schedule.

To facilitate the process, each party shall serve and file a status report on August 1, 2014. Parties must file (docket) and serve documents using the e-filing system on the California Energy Commission's website. Click on the "Submit e-Filing" link in the "Original Proceeding" box at: <http://www.energy.ca.gov/siting/cases/alamitos>.

If, for any reason, the Final Staff Assessment (FSA) is delayed beyond October 8, 2014, the parties are **ORDERED** to provide status reports on the 15th day of every month thereafter until directed otherwise by the Committee.

Public Adviser and Public Participation

The Energy Commission invites members of the public and other interested parties to participate either on an informal basis or by intervening in the proceeding. Both types of participation allow written and oral comments. At the informal participation level, written and oral public comments are considered by the Commissioners and are part of the record, but are not part of the formal evidentiary record. Intervenors have the right to introduce evidence into the evidentiary record and cross-examine the other parties' witnesses.

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office is available to provide the public with an understanding of the proceedings and to make recommendations for meaningful participation. For assistance, contact Alana Mathews, Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 or 800-822-6228, or by e-mail at: public_adviser@energy.ca.gov.

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate in this event, contact Lourdes Quiroz no less than five days prior to the hearing at 916-654-5146 or by e-mail at: Lou.Quiroz@energy.ca.gov.

Information

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Kenneth Celli, Hearing Adviser, at (916) 651-8893, or e-mail at: Ken.Celli@energy.ca.gov.

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to Keith Winstead, Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-5191, or e-mail at: Keith.Winstead@energy.ca.gov.

Media inquiries should be directed to the Office of Media and Public Communications at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail at: mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov.

Information regarding the status of the project, as well as notices and other relevant documents pertaining to this proceeding, may be on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at: <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/alamitos>.

Dated: May 6, 2014, at Sacramento, California.

Original Signed By:

KAREN DOUGLAS
Commissioner and Presiding Member
AEC AFC Committee

Original Signed By:

JANEA SCOTT
Commissioner and Associate Member
AEC AFC Committee

**COMMITTEE SCHEDULE
FOR THE
ALAMITOS ENERGY CENTER**

| ACTIVITY | Date |
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| Application for Certification determined to be Data Adequate at Commission Business Meeting | 3/12/14 |
| Staff files Issues Identification Report | 4/15/14 |
| Staff files first round of Data Requests | 4/15/14 |
| Informational Hearing and Site Visit | 4/29/14 |
| Applicant files Data Responses | 5/15/14 |
| Data Response and Issue Resolution Workshop | 6/10/14 |
| Staff Files Data Requests Round 2 (if necessary) | 6/24/14 |
| SCAQMD issues Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) | 7/10/14 |
| Applicant Provides Data Responses (if necessary) | 7/24/14 |
| Status Report | 8/1/14 |
| Data Response and Issue Resolution Workshop (if necessary) | 8/19/14 |
| Preliminary Staff Assessment Published | 8/25/14 |
| Preliminary Staff Assessment Workshop | 9/08/14 |
| SCAQMD Issues Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC) | 9/08/14 |
| Final Staff Assessment Published (FSA) | 10/08/14 |
| If the FSA is delayed beyond 10/8/14, all parties must provide status reports on the 15th day of every month thereafter until this Order is vacated by the Committee | TBD* |
| Prehearing Conference | TBD* |
| Evidentiary Hearings | TBD* |
| Committee Files Presiding Members Proposed Decision (PMPD) | TBD* |
| Committee Hearing on PMPD | TBD* |
| Committee Files Errata or Revised PMPD (if necessary) | TBD* |
| Energy Commission Final Decision | TBD* |

*TBD = To Be Determined