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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 HUNTINGTON BEACH ENERGY PROJECT

Docket No. 12-AFC-02

## NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND EVIDENTIARY HEARING, SCHEDULING ORDER, AND FURTHER ORDERS

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Committee designated by the Energy Commission to conduct proceedings on the Application for Certification for the Huntington Beach Energy Project has scheduled a Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing as follows:

#### The PREHEARING CONFERENCE will be conducted on:

THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2014 Beginning at 3:00 p.m.

California Energy Commission
Hearing Room B
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
(see map below)

#### The EVIDENTIARY HEARING will take place on:

MONDAY, JULY 21, 2014 Beginning at 12:30 p.m.

Hilton Waterfront Huntington Beach 21100 Pacific Coast Highway Huntington Beach, CA 92648 (see map below)

A note about parking: Attendees parking at the Hilton should park via Valet. The Hilton will provide parking stickers to AES to validate everyone's parking. Parking validation will take place at the Evidentiary Hearing's Registration Desk, which will be located just outside of the hearing room (Pacific Room).

TELECONFERENCE OPTION: You may participate in the Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearings either in person, by telephone, and/or by computer via the "WebEx" conferencing system. Please see the "INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING WEBEX TELECONFERENCING USING YOUR COMPUTER AND/OR TELEPHONE" section attached to this notice.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Committee has established the following schedule which <u>supersedes</u> all prior schedules:

EVENT	<u>DATE</u>	
Last day to file Petition to Intervene	June 23, 2014 <sup>1</sup>	
All Parties File Testimony	June 30, 2014	
All Parties File Prehearing Conference Statements with Exhibit Lists	July 7, 2014	
Prehearing Conference	July 10, 2014	
All Parties File Rebuttal Testimony	July 11, 2014	
Evidentiary Hearing (EH)	July 21, 2014	
All Parties File Opening Briefs, if necessary	2 weeks after the transcripts are published	
All Parties File Reply Briefs, if necessary	3 weeks after the transcripts are published	
Presiding Members Proposed Decision (PMPD) published	September 2, 2014	
Committee Conference on PMPD	TBD	
Close of Public Comment Period on PMPD	October 2, 2014	
Errata/Revisions to PMPD, if necessary	TBD	
Final Adoption Hearing by the California Energy Commission	October 8, 2014	

<sup>\*</sup>TBD = to be determined.

### **Background and Purpose of Prehearing Conference**

The Prehearing Conference is a public forum where the Committee will assess the parties' readiness for an evidentiary hearing, identify areas of agreement or dispute, and discuss the remaining schedule and procedures necessary to conclude the amendment process. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1718.5.)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unless good cause is shown, Petitions to Intervene are due the earlier of the Prehearing Conference OR 30 days prior to first Evidentiary Hearing (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1207).

Local, state, and federal governmental agencies may participate at the Prehearing Conference and evidentiary hearings, as necessary. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1714.5.) Elected officials and members of the public may present public comments at these events and/or submit written comments via the Energy Commission's e-Commenting system at:

https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=12-AFC-02.

All parties are **ORDERED** to file a Prehearing Conference Statement on or before 3:00 p.m. on July 7, 2014, unless otherwise directed by the Committee.

The Prehearing Conference Statement must specify under separate headings:

- 1. The issues that are complete and ready to proceed to evidentiary hearing;
- 2. The issues that are not complete and not yet ready to proceed to evidentiary hearing, and the reasons therefore;
- 3. The issues that remain disputed and require adjudication, and the precise nature of the dispute for each issue;
- 4. The identity of each witness the party intends to sponsor, the subject area(s) about which the witness(es) will testify, a brief summary of the testimony to be offered by the witness(es), qualifications of each witness, the time required to present testimony by each witness, and whether the witness seeks to testify telephonically;
- 5. Subject areas upon which the party desires to question the other parties' witness(es), a summary of the scope of the questions (including witness qualifications), the issue(s) to which the questions pertain, and the time desired to question each witness. (*Note*: A party who fails to provide the scope, relevance and time for questioning other parties' witness(es) risks preclusion from questioning on that subject area.);
- 6. A list identifying exhibits with transaction numbers (TN) that the party intends to offer into evidence and the technical subject areas to which they apply; and
- 7. Proposals for briefing deadlines, impact of scheduling conflicts, or other scheduling matters.

All documentary evidence must be docketed and have a transaction number (TN number) assigned by the California Energy Commission Dockets Unit in accordance with the Revised General Orders Regarding Electronic Document Formats, Electronic Filing and Service of Document and Other Matters filed October 23, 2013,

(TN# 201025). Exhibits without a TN will not be received into evidence absent a showing of good cause.

Each document shall be numbered and identified as follows:

Petitioner's exhibits shall be numbered *consecutively* as **Exhibits 1000 through 1999**; Staff's exhibits shall be numbered *consecutively* as **Exhibits 2000 through 2999**; and Intervenor Jason Pyle's exhibits shall be numbered *consecutively* as **Exhibits 3000 through 3999**.

Failure of any party to comply with the filing requirements stated in this Order may preclude that party from participating in the evidentiary hearing.

#### **Notice of Committee's Intention to Use Informal Hearing Procedures**

Pursuant to California Government Code section 11445.10 et seq., and Commission's regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1217), the Committee intends to conduct the evidentiary hearing using an informal procedure. The parties will identify witnesses and exhibits prior to the hearing. During the hearing, all of the witnesses for a topic will be seated as a panel to answer questions from the parties and the Committee. While a question may be directed to a particular witness in the first instance, the other panelists may also answer the question if they choose. Panelists may also ask questions of each other. This format has been effective in recent cases, providing a more coherent discussion of the issues that is easier to follow for the parties, the public and the Committee. The Committee reserves the right to convert to a more formal process for any issues and may, in its discretion, allow the parties to engage in more formal direct and cross-examination if circumstances so require.

The informal hearing process will generally proceed in the following order:

- 1. All parties' experts on the topic at hand are sworn in as a panel.
- 2. Petitioner's experts would provide a brief opening statement summarizing the key points and conclusions of their testimony.
- 3. Staff's experts would provide a brief opening statement summarizing the key points and conclusions of their testimony.
- 4. Intervenors' experts would provide a brief opening statement summarizing the key points and conclusions of their testimony.
- 5. Open discussion between the expert panelists led by the Committee.
- 6. Attorneys may follow up with questions of their own or other expert witnesses to the extent the Committee finds the questioning productive.
- 7. At the conclusion of the attorney's examination of the experts, the Committee may ask witnesses additional questions or allow panelists to ask additional questions of each other and to offer follow-up answers.

#### **Notice of Closed Session Deliberations**

At any time during the hearings, the Committee may adjourn to a closed session in accordance with California Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3), which allows a state body, including a delegated committee, to hold a closed session to deliberate on a decision to be reached in a proceeding the state body was required by law to conduct.

#### **Transcripts**

Parties are responsible for identifying errors in the transcripts of the proceedings. Corrections to the transcripts must be submitted to the Committee within 30 days of the filing of a transcript.

#### **Public Adviser and Public Participation**

Members of the public are welcome to attend and offer oral or written comments at the prehearing conference and at the evidentiary hearing. It is not necessary to be an Intervenor to participate in the public process. Interested members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments using the e-commenting system described above. Otherwise, written comments may be submitted for posting on the docket for the proceeding by handing them directly to the Public Adviser, e-mailing them to docket@energy.ca.gov, or by U.S. Mail to:

California Energy Commission Docket Unit Docket number: 12-AFC-02 1516 Ninth Street, MS-4 Sacramento, CA 95614

Please identify "HUNTINGTON BEACH ENERGY PROJECT, Docket No. 12-AFC-02" on any e-mailed or written comments.

PLEASE NOTE: Your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g. your address, phone, e-mail, etc.) become part of the viewable public record. Additionally, this information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and other search engines.

The Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office is available to assist the public in participating in the amendment review process. For those individuals who require general information on how to participate, please contact Alana Mathews, Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 or (800) 822-6228, or e-mail: publicadviser@energy.ca.gov.

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate in this event, contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 or e-mail: lou.quiroz@energy.ca.gov.

#### Information

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Susan Cochran, the Hearing Adviser, at (916) 654-3965 or e-mail: susan.cochran@energy.ca.gov.

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to Felicia Miller, the Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-4640 or e-mail: feclicia.miller@energy.ca.gov.

Media inquiries should be directed to the Office of Media and Public Communications at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail: 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 viewed on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/huntington\_beach\_energy/.

Dated: June 9, 2014, at Sacramento, California

### Original Signed By:

ANDREW McALLISTER Commissioner and Presiding Member Huntington Beach Energy Project Committee

### Original Signed By:

KAREN DOUGLAS
Commissioner and Associate Member
Huntington Beach Energy Project Committee

Sent to mailing list numbers: 7437, 7438, 7439





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EVENT	DATE	MEETING NUMBER	PASSWORD
PREHEARING CONFERENCE	THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2014	928 495 850	pwd#1516
EVIDENTIARY HEARING	MONDAY, JULY 21, 2014	920 667 165	pwd#1516

#### **Using Your Computer:**

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  - b) To call into the teleconference from your phone (if, for example, your phone is an extension or you are an international caller): Use the drop-down box to select "I will Call in" and follow the on-screen directions. Click "All global call-in numbers" if you need to look up an international call-in number.
  - c) To listen and talk over your computer: If you have the needed equipment and your computer is configured, click the "Call Using Computer" button. (You may need to click "Use Computer for Audio" to make the button visible.)

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#### **Meeting Agenda – Prehearing Conference:**

**Huntington Beach Energy Project, 12-AFC-02** 

THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2014 Beginning at 3:00 p.m.

California Energy Commission
Hearing Room B
1516 Ninth Street
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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Report from Petitioner, Staff and Intervenor(s) regarding their readiness for the upcoming Evidentiary Hearings and Committee discussions in the Application for Certification for the Huntington Beach Energy Project.
- 3. Public Comment

Members of the public and other interested persons and entities may speak up to three minutes on a matter appearing on this agenda.

4. Closed Session (if necessary)

Committee closed session consideration of the following Item:

## APPLICATION FOR THE CERTIFICATION FOR THE HUNTINGTON BEACH ENERGY PROJECT

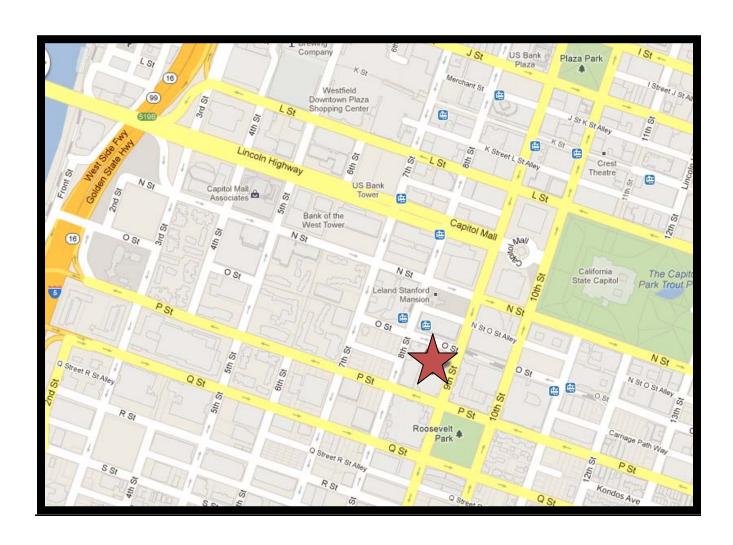
Deliberation by the Committee on any matters submitted for decision by the Committee including, but not limited to, pending motions and scheduling (contact: Susan Cochran)

The Committee will adjourn to closed session in accordance with Government Code, section 11126, subdivision (c)(3), which allows a state body, including a delegated committee, to hold a closed session to deliberate on a decision to be reached in a proceeding the state body was required by law to conduct.

#### 6. Adjourn

Agency Contact: Susan Cochran, Hearing Adviser, phone: (916) 654-3965, or e-mail: susan.cochran@energy.ca.gov.

#### Prehearing Conference at the California Energy Commission Hearing Room A 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814



#### **Meeting Agenda – Evidentiary Hearing:**

#### **Huntington Beach Energy Project 12-AFC-02**

MONDAY, JULY 21, 2014 Beginning at 12:30 p.m.

Hilton Waterfront Huntington Beach 21100 Pacific Coast Highway Huntington Beach, CA 92648 (see map below)

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Evidentiary Hearing

Receipt of evidence from Applicant, Staff and Intervenors (in order of intervention commencement date) on the Application for Certification for the Huntington Beach Energy Project

#### 3. Public Comment

Public comment period will begin after the Evidentiary Hearing, but will conclude no earlier than 5:30 p.m. so that all interested members of the public will have an opportunity to address the Committee.

Members of the public and other interested persons and entities may speak up to three minutes on a matter appearing on this agenda.

#### 4. Closed Session (if necessary)

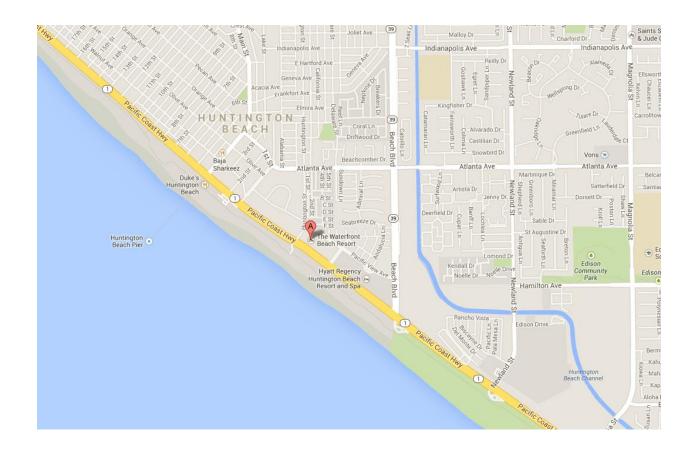
Committee closed session consideration of the following item:

**PETITION FOR THE CERTIFICATION FOR THE HUNTINGTON BEACH ENERGY PROJECT.** Deliberation by the Committee on any matters submitted for decision by the Committee including, but not limited to, pending motions and scheduling.

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#### 6. Adjourn

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