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NOTICE OF RECEIPT PETITION TO AMEND THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION DECISION FOR THE EL SEGUNDO ENERGY CENTER (00-AFC-14C)

On October 3, 2014, El Segundo Energy Center LLC (ESEC LLC) filed a petition to amend their 2013 California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) Final Decision. ESEC, LLC is requesting modification of the language in their Air Quality Conditions of Certification **AQ-16**, **AQ-17**, **AQ-20**, and **AQ-32** regarding the allowable number of annual startups for their existing combustion turbines, Units 5 and 7.

The El Segundo Energy Center (ESEC) is located at the southernmost city limit of the city of El Segundo on the coast of the Pacific Ocean, between Dockweiler State Beach and the city of Manhattan Beach, in Los Angeles County.

DESCRIPTION OF NEED FOR PROPOSED MODIFICATION

Periodically, aborted startups occur due to system upsets. This results in the startup, shutdown, and restart of a unit. The conditions of certification do not address how these startup/restarts should be counted for purposes of tracking compliance with the 200 starts/year limit. This creates ambiguities regarding the ability to operate ESEC as required by their conditions of certification.

To address how these startup/restart occurrences should be counted, ESEC LLC requests that clarifying language be added to the conditions of certification. The requirements of Conditions of Certification **AQ-16**, **AQ-17**, **AQ-20**, and **AQ-32** are also reflected in the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (Air District) Title V Permit Conditions A99.7, A99.8, A99.9, and A433.1, respectively. On September 15, 2014, ESEC LLC requested that the Air District revise the Title V Permit conditions to be consistent with the changes proposed in the petition.

The proposed changes to these conditions of certification, and the corresponding Air District permit conditions, will not affect the emission limits on ESEC nor the 60-minute startup duration specified in the Conditions of Certification.

ENERGY COMMISSION AMENDMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES

The Energy Commission's webpage for this facility,

<u>http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/elsegundo/</u>, has a link to the amendment petition on the right side of the webpage in the box labeled "Compliance Proceeding." Click on the "Documents for this Proceeding (Docket Log)" option.

Energy Commission staff is currently reviewing the petition. The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess the impacts of this proposal on

environmental quality and on public health and safety. The review process includes an evaluation of the consistency of the proposed changes with the Energy Commission's Decision and a determination on whether the facility, as modified, would remain in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (20 Cal. Code of Regs., §1769). Energy Commission staff will prepare a staff analysis and recommendations whether or not to approve the petition. The staff analysis will be available for public review and comment for 30 days after publication.

This Notice of Receipt has been mailed to the Energy Commission's facility mail list of interested parties and property owners adjacent to the facility site. It has also been e-mailed to the facility listserv. The listserv is an automated Energy Commission e-mail system by which information about this facility is e-mailed to parties who have subscribed. To subscribe, go to the Commission's webpage for this facility, cited above, scroll down the right side of the project's webpage to the box labeled "Subscribe," and provide the requested contact information.

Any person may comment on the petition. To use the Energy Commission's electronic commenting feature, go to the Energy Commission's webpage for this facility, cited above, click on the "Submit e-Comment" link, and follow the instructions in the on-line form. Be sure to include the facility name in your comments. Once submitted, the Energy Commission Dockets Unit reviews and approves your comments, and you will receive an e-mail with a link to them.

Written comments may also be mailed or hand-delivered to:

California Energy Commission Dockets Unit, MS-4 Docket No. 00-AFC-14C 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

All comments and materials filed with and approved by the Dockets Unit will be added to the facility Docket Log and become publicly accessible on the Energy Commission's webpage for the facility.

If you have questions about the project, review process or schedule, please contact Camille Remy Obad, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-3940 or cremyoba@energy.ca.gov.

For information on participating in the Energy Commission's review of the petition, call the Public Adviser at (800) 822-6228 (toll-free in California) or send your e-mail to <u>publicadviser@energy.ca.gov</u>. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail to <u>mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov</u>.

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