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# Memorandum

To: Parties and Persons Interested in the  
El Segundo Energy Center Amendment  
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Subject: Specific Topics for Discussion at the December 17, 2014 Status Conference

The El Segundo Amendment Committee intends to discuss the following topics during the December 17, 2014, Status Conference:

1. The Committee's expectations of the parties during the time until the evidentiary hearings, including:
  - a. The necessity for each party to thoroughly review the Final Staff Assessment (FSA) and articulate areas of disagreement between parties.
  - b. No later than the Prehearing Conference the parties will be expected to specify:
    - the issues about which there is disagreement among the parties and about which the party desires to present evidence or question other testimony. Simply saying that one wants to present testimony on a topic (or "all" topics) without further explanation or justification is insufficient; in most cases it will be necessary to narrow the description to at least a subtopic (for example "ammonia slip" in air quality). Failure to describe issues with sufficient specificity may result in the exclusion of testimony or questions;
    - the witnesses, including their qualifications, and evidence the party intends to introduce during the evidentiary hearings;
    - the witnesses of other parties whom they intend to question during the evidentiary hearings and the subject(s) of the questions;
    - topic by topic recommendations about whether the hearings be conducted via formal or informal processes;
    - issues that may require legal argument or briefing;
    - whether it would be productive to have oral argument at the beginning and/or close of the evidentiary hearings; and

- time estimates for the party's live testimony, questioning of other witnesses, and oral argument.
2. Update on status of the October 3, 2014 Petition to Amend pertaining to start ups of Units 5 and 7, and the Air District's Errata to the Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC). How do the District's administrative changes and clarifications to the startup/restart language impact Staff's Air Quality and GHG analysis? Please have a District representative available by phone if it would help inform the discussion.
  3. Project Owner's Comments on the FSA, Part A. Topics included: Compliance, Cultural Resources, Biological Resources, Visual Resources, Hazardous Waste Management. Preliminary reaction from Staff. What can be done to facilitate resolution of these issues?
  4. Update from Staff on publication date for complete FSA.
  5. Update from Staff on status of Staff's analysis of AQ/GHG, Visual Resources, Soil/Water and Alternatives issues discussed at the previous status conference.
  6. The nature of the written assurances to be provided by the Coastal Commission and when it is expected.
  7. Whether or not additional status conference(s) before the Prehearing Conference will be needed.

We may, of course, discuss other issues that relate to the schedule and progress of this proceeding.