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Regarding: Carlsbad Energy Center Amendments, Docket No. 07-AFC- 06C

Dear Commissioners Douglas and McAllister:

Thank you for your carefully reasoned Presiding Member's Proposed Decision on the amended Carlsbad Energy Center Project. The City of Carlsbad agrees with and supports your overall conclusions and recommendation that the amendments be approved and NRG be allowed to construct and operate the proposed project.

The City also agrees with your conclusion that the project does not comply with the 35-foot height limitation established in the Agua Hedionda Land Use Plan and that an override of the limitation is appropriate in this circumstance because of the resulting significant public benefits. From the City's perspective, those significant benefits include responding to regional electricity reliability concerns and removal of the Encina Power Station. Removal of the Encina Power Station will eliminate the significant visual impacts of the facility and allow redevelopment of the Encina site for more appropriate coastal oriented land uses.

The City also supports the proposed conditions and is prepared to perform its obligations as outlined in those conditions.

If you have any questions or require any additional information of the City, please let us know.

Sincerely.

Keith Blackburn Mayor Pro Tem