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Application for Certification for the

ALAMITOS ENERGY CENTER

Docket No. 13-AFC-01

# NOTICE OF COMMITTEE STATUS CONFERENCE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Energy Commission Committee (Committee) assigned to conduct proceedings on the Application for Certification (AFC) for the Alamitos Energy Center (AEC) has scheduled a public Committee Status Conference to review the progress of the AFC and consider any then-pending motions or petitions on:

Thursday, December 17, 2015 Beginning at 1:00 p.m. Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room

California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 *(Map Attached)* 

**TELECONFERENCE OPTION:** Parties and the Public may attend the meetings in person at the above location or by telephone and/or by computer via our "WebEx" internet conferencing system. For details on how to participate by WebEx, please see the "Instructions for Using WebEx Teleconferencing" attached to this Notice.

### Background

On December 27, 2013, AES Southland Development, LLC (Applicant) submitted an AFC to modernize the existing Alamitos Generating Station (AGS). The proposed project was originally a natural-gas-fired, air-cooled, combined-cycle electrical generating facility with a net generating capacity of 1,936 megawatts (MW) and a gross generating capacity of 1,995 MW. The project site would be bounded on the north by State Route 22, on the east by the San Gabriel River, on the south by 2nd Street, and on the west by N. Studebaker Road in the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California.

The AEC was deemed "data adequate" on March 12, 2014. On April 29, 2014, the Committee conducted a public Site Visit, Informational Hearing and Scoping Meeting in Long Beach, California. On May 6, 2014, the Committee issued the Committee

Scheduling Order. At the December 16, 2014 Status Conference, the Applicant proposed substantial changes to the configuration of the AEC project that would reduce the proposed nominal generating capacity from 1,995 MW to 1,040 MW. The Applicant indicated that it would file a supplemental AFC (SAFC) in the third quarter of 2015.

On October 26, 2015, the Applicant filed a SAFC which changed the design of the proposed AEC project. The AEC would be located on an approximately 21-acre site within the larger 71.1-acre AGS site.

The proposed AEC would consist of two gas turbine power blocks. Power Block 1 would consist of two natural-gas-fired combustion turbine generators in a combined-cycle configuration, two unfired heat recovery steam generators, one steam turbine generator, an air-cooled condenser, an auxiliary boiler, and related ancillary equipment. Power Block 2 would consist of four simple-cycle combustion turbine generators with fin-fan coolers and ancillary facilities.

The proposed AEC would reuse, to the extent feasible, existing infrastructure including the existing Southern California Edison switchyard and transmission facilities, connections to the Southern California Gas Company natural-gas pipeline system and City of Long Beach Water Department water connections, process water supply lines, and existing administration, maintenance and warehouse buildings.

Construction of the AEC would use on-site laydown areas (approximately eight acres dispersed throughout the existing AGS site) and an approximately 10-acre laydown area located adjacent to the existing AGS site south of generating Units 5 and 6. Existing AGS Units 1 through 6 are currently in operation and will continue to provide essential electrical service concurrent with the construction of the AEC. AGS Units 1, 2, and 5 will be retired after the AEC commences operation in the first quarter of 2020. Units 3, 4, and 6 will likely operate through at least December 31, 2020. The City of Long Beach and the Applicant have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the demolition of the existing units. Demolition of Units 1 through 6 will be conducted in accordance with the MOU once all necessary regulatory approvals to retire and decommission the existing units are received. The MOU provides certainty for the public that the existing AGS units will be removed after the AEC is constructed and operating.

The SAFC, which includes a description of the revised proposed project and engineering and environmental details, may be viewed at:

https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/getdocument.aspx?tn=206427-1

### Purpose of the Committee Status Conference

The Committee will conduct the Status Conference to discuss the applicant's changes made to the proposed project, progress made in the proceeding, any barriers to the timely completion of Staff's preliminary analysis, date-specific project milestones, and any other matters relevant to the schedule. It may also address any then-pending motions, petitions, or other requests that are ready for consideration.

As allowed by California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1207, a Status Conference may be conducted by the Hearing Officer without either Commissioner being present.

#### **Closed Session**

At any time during the conference, 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.

#### Public Participation and Public Adviser

Members of the public are welcome to attend and offer comments at the AEC Committee Status Conference. It is not necessary to be an intervenor to participate in the public process. Comments may also be submitted in writing. Simply visit the website at <a href="http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/alamitos">http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/alamitos</a> and click on the "Submit e-Comment" link in the "Original Proceeding" box. Otherwise, written comments may be submitted by e-mailing them to <a href="mailto:publicadviser@energy.ca.gov">publicadviser@energy.ca.gov</a>, or to <a href="mailto:docket@energy.ca.gov">docket@energy.ca.gov</a>, or to <a href="mailto:docket@energy.ca.gov">docket@energy.ca.gov</a>, or by U.S. Mail to California Energy Commission - Docket Unit, 13-AFC-01, 1516 Ninth Street, MS-4, Sacramento, CA 95814. For all comments, please include the document number and proceeding name, "Docket No. 13-AFC-01, Alamitos Energy Center" in the subject line and on the cover page.

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's Public Adviser's Office is available to provide the public with an understanding of the proceedings and facilitate meaningful participation. For assistance, contact Alana Mathews, Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 or 800-822-6228, or by e-mail at <u>publicadviser@energy.ca.gov</u>.

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 <u>lou.quiroz@energy.ca.gov</u>.

### **Contact Information**

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Kenneth Celli, Hearing Officer, at (916) 651-8893, or by e-mail at <u>ken.celli@energy.ca.gov</u>.

Technical questions about the project should be directed to Christopher Meyer, Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-4640, or by e-mail at <u>christopher.meyer@energy.ca.gov</u>.

Media inquiries should be directed to the Media and Public Communications Office at (916) 654-4989 or by e-mail at <u>mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov</u>.

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: <u>http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/alamitos</u>.

Dated: November 6, 2015, at Sacramento, California.

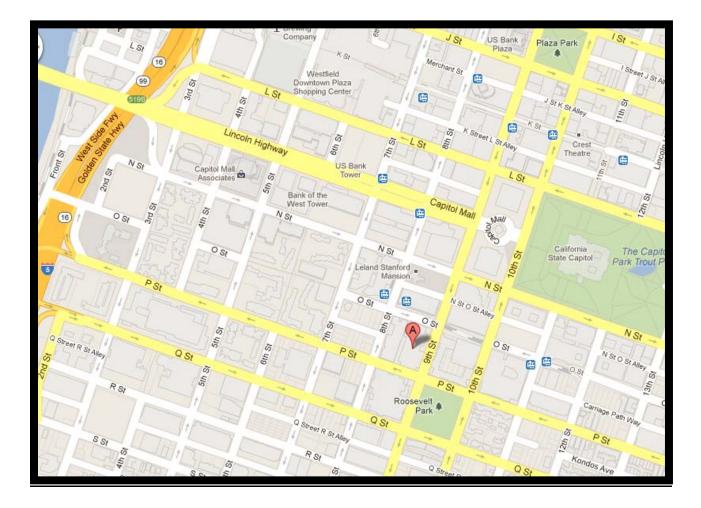
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The Committee Status Conference for the Alamitos Energy Center AFC will convene at:

> California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814







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Alamitos Energy Center AFC Committee Status Conference at the California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Thursday, December 17, 2015 Beginning at 1:00 p.m. Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room

### Meeting Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Hearing on Any Pending Motions
- 3. Committee Conference
  - a. Applicant's changes to the proposed project
  - b. Case progress and schedule
- 4. 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.

5. Closed Session

Committee closed session consideration of the following items:

Alamitos Energy Center (13-AFC-01) and deliberation on matters for decision by the Committee such as pending motions and scheduling.

The Committee may 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. The Committee may adjourn to a closed session at any point during the meeting and may conduct multiple closed sessions as necessary.

6. Adjourn

Agency contact: Kenneth Celli, Hearing Officer, (916) 651-8893 or by e-mail at <u>ken.celli@energy.ca.gov</u>.

This agenda was prepared in advance of the Committee Status Conference. In the event of a substantial change to the agenda, revised agendas would be filed in the Docket and available in the project's Docket Log at:

https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=13-AFC-01.