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## NOTICE OF RECEIPT

## REQUEST TO TRANSFER OWNERSHIP for the BYTHE SOLAR POWER PROJECT UNITS 1 & 2 (09-AFC-6C)

On July 1, 2016, NextEra Blythe Solar Energy Center, LLC (NBS) filed a petition with the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) requesting to transfer ownership for the Blythe Solar Power Project (BSPP), Unit 1, from NBS to Blythe Solar 110, LLC and Unit 2 from NBS to Blythe Solar II, LLC. NBS will continue to own the shared facilities that are common to all four units of the BSPP and Units 3 and 4. The facility is currently under construction and is located approximately eight miles west of the City of Blythe and two miles north of the Interstate-10 freeway on land managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in Riverside County.

The BSPP was originally licensed as a solar trough power generating facility owned by Solar Trust of America on September 15, 2010. The original project owner, Solar Trust of America, filed for bankruptcy and NBS acquired the project. On June 12, 2012 the Energy Commission approved a Petition for Ownership Transfer to NBS. On January 15, 2014, the Energy Commission evaluated and ultimately approved a Petition to Amend to convert the original solar trough project to a smaller photovoltaic facility consisting of four phases or units. The BSPP was licensed on January 15, 2014, as four operational phases (Units 1-4) designed to generate a total of approximately 485 megawatts (MW) of electricity. Units 1-3 would generate approximately 125 MW each, and Unit 4 would generate approximately 110 MW of electricity.

The request would transfer responsibility for compliance with Conditions of Certification for Unit 1 to Blythe Solar 110, LLC, and responsibility for compliance with Conditions of Certification for Unit 2 to Blythe Solar II, LLC. A statement describing the change in ownership, signed under penalty of perjury by a representative of NBS, Blythe Solar 110, LLC, and Blythe Solar II, LLC, was submitted as required by Title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 1769(b). The statement affirms that the new owner agrees to be bound by the requirements of the Energy Commission's Decision for the project and understands the obligations imposed by the Conditions of Certification. The Energy Commission may approve changes of ownership after a 14-day public notice.

The petition requesting the transfer of ownership is available on the Energy Commission's webpage for this facility at <a href="http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/blythe\_solar/index.html">http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/blythe\_solar/index.html</a>. This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to interested parties and property owners adjacent to the facility site who may want to submit comments.

Any person may file written comments on the request with the Energy Commission's Dockets Unit. All written comments and all materials filed with the Dockets Unit will

become part of the public record of the proceeding and may be posted to the facility website.

All comments must be in writing. Those submitting comments electronically should provide them as either a Microsoft Word document (.doc or .docx) or in Portable Document Format (.pdf) and include your name or your organization's name in the file name. Please e-mail electronic written comments to <a href="mailto:docket@energy.ca.gov">docket@energy.ca.gov</a> and include the docket number 09-AFC-6C in the subject line of your e-mail. Those submitting non-electronic written comments should include the docket number 09-AFC-6C in the first paragraph and mail or hand-deliver the comments to:

California Energy Commission Dockets Unit, MS-4 Docket No. 09-AFC-6C 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

If you have questions about this notice, please contact Mary Dyas, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 651-8891, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at <a href="mary.dyas@energy.ca.gov">mary.dyas@energy.ca.gov</a>.

For information on participating in the Energy Commission's review of the petition, call Alana Mathews, Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 or (800) 822-6228 (toll-free in California) or send your e-mail to <a href="mailto:publicadviser@energy.ca.gov">publicadviser@energy.ca.gov</a>. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov">mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov</a>.

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