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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)
)
Application for Certification for the) Docket No. 13-AFC-01
Alamitos Energy Center)

**ALAMITOS ENERGY CENTER
STATUS REPORT #20**

Pursuant to the *Committee Scheduling Order* issued on January 14, 2016,¹ AES Alamitos, LLC (the “Applicant”) files this Status Report #20 to inform the Committee on the progress of the Alamitos Energy Center (“Project”) Application for Certification (“AFC”) proceeding.

On July 13, 2016, Commission Staff issued the Preliminary Staff Assessment (“PSA”) for the Project. The Applicant is reviewing the PSA and looks forward to participating in the PSA workshop. The Applicant thanks Commission Staff for its hard work in publishing the PSA.

In terms of schedule, there are several critical construction and operation-related milestones that the Project must meet, and a timely decision on the AFC is critical to the Project’s success. The Applicant requests that the Committee consider adoption of a new Scheduling Order, as proposed in Attachment A, to ensure that a timely decision on the AFC is made before the end of the 2016 calendar year.

The attached table has two columns. The first column, titled the “Current Schedule,” is the Committee’s proposed Schedule from its January 14, 2016 Order.² The second column, titled “Applicant’s Proposed Schedule (Draft),” updates the Committee’s Current Schedule to reflect three key dates: (1) the July 1st publication of the SCAQMD’s PDOC; (2) the July 13th

¹ TN#: 207316.


² *Id.*

publication of the PSA; and (3) a Final Decision on the AFC at the December 2016 Business Meeting. Certification in calendar year 2016 is important as it is essential to ensure success in meeting important regulatory directives, contractual milestones, and policy objectives, such as the State's interests in the elimination of Once Through Cooling ("OTC"), by ensuring timely construction and operation of the AEC project.

The Applicant thanks the Staff and the SCAQMD for their hard work in producing the PSA and the PDOC and looks forward to working with all parties to ensure the efficient, comprehensive, thorough and expeditious consideration of the remainder of this proceeding.

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ATTACHMENT A

ACTIVITY	Current Scheduling Order	Applicant's Proposed Schedule (Draft)
SCAQMD issues Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC)	April 20, 2016	July 1, 2016
Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) Published	April 29, 2016	July 13, 2016
Preliminary Staff Assessment Workshop	May 20, 2016	July 28, 2016 (tentative)
SCAQMD Issues Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC)	May 24, 2016	August 3, 2016
Last day to Petition to Intervene	June 3, 2016	June 3, 2016
Final Staff Assessment Published (FSA)	June 13, 2016	August 17, 2016
All Parties File Opening Testimony	June 17, 2016	August 22, 2016
All Parties File Rebuttal Testimony	June 22, 2016	August 29, 2016
Prehearing Conference Statement, Witness List and Exhibit List due	June 27, 2016	September 2, 2016
Prehearing Conference (PHC)	June 30, 2016	September 5, 2016
Evidentiary Hearings (EH)	Early July 2016	September 8-9 2016
Closing Briefs	Mid July 2016	September 26, 2016
Committee Files Presiding Members Proposed Decision (PMPD)	Early September 2016	October 31, 2016
Committee Conference on PMPD	Late September 2016	Early November 2016
Committee Files Errata or Revised PMPD (if necessary)	Early October 2016	Mid/Late November 2016
Energy Commission Final Decision	Late October 2016	December 14, 2016