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In the Matter of:)
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Alamitos Energy Center)

**ALAMITOS ENERGY CENTER
STATUS REPORT #21**

Pursuant to the *Committee Scheduling Order* issued on January 14, 2016,¹ AES Alamitos, LLC (the “Applicant”) files this Status Report #21 to inform the Committee on the progress of the Alamitos Energy Center (“Project”) Application for Certification (“AFC”) proceeding.

On July 27, 2016, the Applicant submitted initial comments on the Preliminary Staff Assessment (“PSA”).² On August 9, 2016, the Applicant attended the Preliminary Staff Assessment (“PSA”) Workshop for the Project. The Applicant thanks Commission Staff for its thorough review and consideration of the Applicant’s initial comments and for the productive dialogue at the PSA workshop.

Based on the discussions at the workshop, it appears that the Commission Staff and Applicant are in agreement relating to the environmental analysis and Conditions of Certification for the majority of subject areas. Differences relating to specific language for Conditions of Certification remain in a few limited areas; however, the Applicant and Commission Staff have agreed to continue the exchange of information and discuss these few remaining issues.³ The Applicant understands that Commission Staff will be making arrangements for the parties to

¹ TN#: 207316.

² *Preliminary Staff Assessment Initial Comments*, TN#: 212487.


³ The Applicant provided a brief summary of certain issues discussed at the workshop and information to be exchanged between the parties in its *Preliminary Staff Assessment: Summary of PSA Workshop and Supplemental Comments* (TN#: 212771).

continue their discussions on the Compliance Conditions of Certification, and looks forward to participating in that discussion.

In terms of schedule, it is crucial that the Applicant receive a decision on the AFC before the end of the 2016 calendar year. A timely decision is essential to not only meet critical construction and operation-related milestones, but to ensure that the AEC is built and able to meet local reliability needs before the Alamos Generating Station is scheduled to shutdown to meet the State Water Resources Control Board's Once-Through Cooling requirements.

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