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June 28, 2001

Mr. Fred Salzmann
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SUBJECT: Pastoria Energy Facility (99-AFC-7C)
Approval of Project Changes: Site Reconfiguration
New Condition of Certification TRANS-9

Dear Mr. Salzmann:

California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) staff reviewed your petition received on June 8, 2001 for the Pastoria Energy Facility for the following project changes: general site reconfiguration, reduction in heat recovery steam generator stack height, refined turbine performance/steam injection power augmentation, modification of the fuel gas supply pipeline route, and an increase in construction workforce. As requested by Jennifer Scholl of URS on June 21, 2001, our review does not include the conversion from aqueous to anhydrous ammonia, which will be evaluated under a separate amendment petition.

As directed by Governor's Executive Order D-25-01, concerning post-certification amendments, we have expedited review of this proposed project modification. Energy Commission staff have concluded that, subject to the addition of a new Condition of Certification, **TRANS-9** (enclosed), the proposed project changes have no potential for adverse environmental or public health and safety impacts.

Therefore, you are authorized to proceed with the project modifications as requested, subject to compliance with the Condition of Certification **TRANS-9**. A copy of this letter and staff analysis will be posted on the Energy's Commission website at www.energy.ca.gov, and we will file a California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption with the State Clearinghouse. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Tronaas, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-3864, or by e-mail at ntronaas@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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