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I. INTRODUCTION

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (the "District") published the Final Determination of Compliance ("FDOC") for the Huntington Beach Energy Project ("HBEP" or "Project") on Friday, November 18, 2016 as it relates to AES Huntington Beach, LLC's ("Project Owner") Petition to Amend ("PTA") (hereinafter referred to as the "Amended HBEP" or "the Project"). Publication of the FDOC¹ was the action necessary to allow the Committee to promptly publish a revised scheduling order, which sets forth the final procedural events needed to bring this proceeding to a timely conclusion.² To that end, Project Owner herein requests that

¹ See TN# 214532 and 214533.

² Due to severe scheduling constraints, the proposed schedule herein relates to the Final Staff Assessment, Part 2 (Air Quality and Public Health). The Evidentiary Hearing on the Final Staff Assessment, Part 1, scheduled for November 30, 2016, shall remain as ordered.

the Committee issue a revised scheduling order pursuant to Project Owner's proposed schedule set forth herein.

II. PROJECT OWNER'S PROPOSED SCHEDULE

The Committee's October 20, 2016 Notice of Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing, Scheduling Order, and Further Orders ("Hearing Order") currently requires that Staff publish the Final Staff Assessment ("FSA"), Part 2 (consisting solely of the subject areas Air Quality and Public Health) two weeks after the District publishes the FDOC.³ Consistent with the Committee's Hearing Order, the FSA, Part 2 should be published no later than Friday, December 2, 2016. However, after consideration of Staff's response in the Application for Certification proceeding for the Alamos Energy Center Project⁴, Project Owner is amenable to Staff publishing the FSA, Part 2 on or before December 9, 2016.

Since the filing of the HBEP PTA on September 9, 2015, Project Owner has consistently maintained that a decision on the PTA is needed no later than December 2016. As it is now unlikely that the Commission will be able to issue a Final Decision by the end of 2016, it is imperative that the Committee issue an aggressive scheduling order and require the parties to adhere to the deadlines set forth therein so as to ensure a Final Decision on the PTA is issued no later than February 2017. In order for the Commission to issue a Final Decision by that date, given the need to complete preparation of the Presiding Member's Proposed Decision ("PMPD") and the mandatory 30-day comment period on the PMPD, the Committee must complete evidentiary hearings on the FSA, Part 2 by January 6, 2017.

³ See Hearing Order at TN# 214127, p. 2.

⁴ TN# 214548

To that end, with publication of the FSA, Part 2 on or before December 9, 2016, the final evidentiary hearings should be held no later than January 6, 2017 (and preferably in December 2016).

| ACTION* | PROPOSED DEADLINE |
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| Publication of Final Staff Assessment, Part 2 | December 9, 2016 |
| All Parties File Opening Testimony, Part 2 | December 15, 2016 |
| All Parties File Rebuttal Testimony, Part 2, including Exhibit List (Part 2), Witness List (Part 2), and Prehearing Conference Statement (if needed) | December 19, 2016 |
| Evidentiary Hearing, Part 2 | As soon after December 19, 2016 as possible, but not later than January 6, 2017 |
| Publication of the PMPD | January 13, 2016 |
| Final Decision Hearing | February 15, 2016 |

* Project Owner is amenable to deadlines earlier than the dates proposed above, if the Committee so orders.

III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth herein, Project Owner hereby requests that the Siting Committee issue a revised scheduling order setting forth the dates proposed by Project Owner in Section II above.

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