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**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE:
ALAMITOS ENERGY CENTER**

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ENERGY COMMISSION STAFF SECOND PREHEARING CONFERENCE STATEMENT

On November 23, 2016, the Alamos Energy Center (AEC) Committee issued a Notice of Second Evidentiary Hearing, Scheduling Order, and Further Orders. In the Notice, the Committee set the Prehearing filing deadline for December 20, 2016, and ordered each party to file a Prehearing Conference Statement and Exhibit List. This document responds to the Committee's Order.

1. The subject areas upon which any party proposes to introduce testimony in writing rather than through oral testimony.

Staff intends to introduce all of its evidence in the form of written testimony. Staff believes that the written record, including the Final Staff Assessment part 2 (FSA) and the testimony submitted by the Applicant, sufficiently sets forth the potential air quality and public health impacts from construction and operation of the project and recommended mitigation. Staff is available to participate as a panel to discuss issues brought up by the parties or to respond to Committee questions.

2. The Air Quality and Public Health issues in dispute, and the precise nature of the dispute for each issue;

Staff is unaware of any disputes with the Applicant on the topics of Air Quality and Public Health. Staff is also unaware of any disputes with the Los Cerritos Wetlands Trust (Trust) as to the direct Air Quality and Public Health impacts from the construction

and operations of the AEC. Staff believes the Trust has concerns with the cumulative impacts of operations of AEC with the demolition of the Alamitos Generating Station (AGS) and the overall capacity of the proposed project.

3. The subject areas that were closed in Evidentiary Hearing, Part 1 that need to be reopened.

Staff does not believe any topics from Part 1 need to be reopened because the air quality and public health project analysis are self-contained and adequately cover all impacts and mitigation. The Trust has requested Traffic and Transportation and Water Resources be reopened but Staff disagrees. The Traffic analysis does not cover air quality issues, which is part of the Air Quality section and while congestion is part of Traffic and Transportation, that discussion already occurred during the first evidentiary hearing. Thus, Traffic and Transportation has been completed. Water quality issues have also already been discussed in the first hearing.

4. Identity of Staff Witnesses

Air Quality and Public Health Staff will be made available to participate in any discussion and to address Committee questions. Staff would recommend that if the Committee does have questions, that a panel format is used in which the parties' experts address the questions in an open dialog and discussion.

5. Cross-Examination of Witnesses

Staff does not intend to cross-examine any of the parties' witnesses. Staff does not object to witnesses calling in on the phone or through WebEx.

6. List of Exhibits.

Final Staff Assessment Part 2 (TN# 214704) Staff Exhibit 2014.

7. Proposals for briefing deadlines or other scheduling matters.

The Committee already issued a scheduling order which includes a briefing deadline of January 9, 2017 and a reply brief due date of January 17, 2017.

Date: December 19, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

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