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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION OF THE PUENTE POWER PROJECT

Center for Biological Diversity's January 3, 2017 Status Report

## CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY'S JANUARY 3, 2017 STATUS REPORT

January 3, 2017

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<u>lbelenky@biologicaldiversity.org</u> <u>kbundy@biologicaldiversity.org</u> Pursuant to the November 18, 2016 Revised Committee Scheduling Order, Intervenor Center

for Biological Diversity (the "Center") submits the following Status Report:

Proceeding Schedule:

The Center is concerned that the current schedule does not provide adequate time for public

and intervenor participation. Opening testimony is currently due on January 13, 2017, only three days

after the January 10, 2017 late-afternoon and evening Final Staff Assessment workshop. It will be

very difficult for parties to prepare and/or revise their opening testimony in light of issues discussed at

the workshop. Moreover, the current schedule allows only about three and one-half business days for

preparation of rebuttal testimony. Accordingly, the Center requests that the deadline for opening

testimony be rescheduled at least one week after the workshop, no sooner than January 17, 2017, and

that rebuttal testimony be due at least 2 weeks after that time, no sooner than January 31, 2017. The

Center has previously requested that the hearings be continued one month; however, if that is not

possible, the Center asks that the requested extensions of time for testimony be accommodated by

rescheduling the pre-hearing conference statements to February 1, 2017 and the prehearing conference

to February 3, 2017, respectively, so that evidentiary hearings may proceed in February.

Dated: January 3, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

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