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NOTICE OF RECEIPT 2nd PETITION TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR COMMENCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION FOR THE PALMDALE ENERGY PROJECT (08-AFC-9C)

On April 26, 2017, Palmdale Energy, LLC filed a petition with the California Energy Commission requesting to extend the deadline for the commencement of construction for the Palmdale Energy Project (PEP).

Palmdale Energy, LLC received approval at the July 13, 2016 Energy Commission Business Meeting for a petition filed on May 18, 2016, requesting to extend the construction deadline from August 10, 2016 to June 1, 2017. This is the second petition to extend the deadline for the commencement of construction.

An existing petition, currently in review, submitted for docketing by Palmdale Energy, LLC, on July 17, 2015, proposes to update the Palmdale Hybrid Power Project's (PHPP) technology and design. The PHPP was licensed on August 10, 2011, as a nominal 570 MW hybrid facility utilizing combined-cycle and solar trough technologies, located in the northernmost portion of the city of Palmdale, approximately 60 miles north of downtown Los Angeles; however, the facility was never constructed.

The proposed PEP is a natural gas-fired, air-cooled, combined-cycle, 645-MW net electrical generating facility, located within the footprint of the PHPP. For additional information, the Energy Commission's webpage for this facility, http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/palmdale/index.html, has a link to the petition to extend on the right side of the webpage in the box labeled "Compliance Proceeding." Click on the "Documents for this Proceeding (Docket Log)" option.

ENERGY COMMISSION REVIEW PROCEDURES

The deadline to commence construction, set by regulation, is five years from the effective date of the Energy Commission's Final Decision on the Application for Certification. Before the deadline to commence construction, an applicant may request, and the Commission may order, an extension for good cause (20 Cal. Code of Regs., § 1720.3). The purpose of the Energy Commission review process for such a request is to determine whether the project owner has shown good cause justifying the extension of the deadline to commence construction.

Energy Commission staff is currently reviewing the petition to extend the deadline for the commencement of construction. The staff will prepare a recommendation for consideration by the Energy Commission at a regularly scheduled Business Meeting. This Notice of Receipt has been mailed to the Commission's facility mail list of interested parties and property owners adjacent to the facility site. It has also been emailed to the facility listserv. Staff's recommendation will also be e-mailed to the listserv. The listserv is an automated Energy Commission e-mail system by which information about this facility is e-mailed to parties who have subscribed. To subscribe, go to the Commission's webpage for this facility, cited above, scroll down to the box on the right side of the project's webpage labeled "Subscribe," and provide the requested contact information.

Any person may comment on the petition. To use the Energy Commission's electronic commenting feature, go to the Energy Commission's webpage for the Palmdale facility, cited above, click on the "Submit e-Comment" link, and follow the instructions in the online form. Be sure to include the facility name in your comments. Once submitted, the Energy Commission Dockets Unit reviews and approves your comments, and you will receive an e-mail with a link to them.

Written comments may also be mailed or hand-delivered to:

California Energy Commission Dockets Unit, MS-4 Docket No. 08-AFC-9C 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

All comments and materials filed with and approved by the Dockets Unit will be added to the facility Docket Log and become publicly accessible on the Energy Commission's webpage for this facility.

If you have questions about this Notice, please contact Eric Veerkamp, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-4295, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at <u>eric.veerkamp@energy.ca.gov</u>.

For information on participating in the Energy Commission's review of the petition, call the Public Adviser at (800) 822-6228 (toll-free in California) or send your e-mail to <u>publicadviser@energy.ca.gov</u>. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail to <u>mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov</u>.

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