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**STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

In the Matter of:

**PALMDALE ENERGY PROJECT
PALMDALE ENERGY, LLC**

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**ORDER APPROVING 2nd Extension of
the Deadline to Commence
Construction**

INTRODUCTION

On April 26, 2017, Palmdale Energy, LLC filed with the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) a Petition to Extend the Deadline to Commence Construction of the Palmdale Energy Project (PEP) from June 1, 2017 to August 2017.

The proposed PEP is a natural gas-fired, air-cooled, combined-cycle, 645-megawatt net electrical generating facility that would be located within the footprint of the approved Palmdale Hybrid Power Project, in the northernmost portion of the city of Palmdale, approximately 60 miles north of downtown Los Angeles.

DISCUSSION

Since acquiring the project, Palmdale Energy, LLC has worked diligently to develop the project as proposed in the 2015 Petition to Amend (PTA). While the request was only for 2 months, staff has recommended an extension until December 31, 2017 to ensure that there is sufficient time for the Energy Commission to render a Final Decision on the PTA, and to minimize the possibility of future extension requests. The extension is not excessive and is a reasonable amount of time to allow for the Energy Commission to reach a Final Decision. The extension will take substantially less time, effort, and resources than that required to process a new Application for Certification and the project owner has acted diligently.

CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The petitioner, Palmdale Energy, LLC, has shown good cause pursuant to Title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 1720.3 to extend the deadline to commence

construction. The Energy Commission therefore grants the petition to extend the start of construction for the PEP from June 1, 2016 to December 31, 2017.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the California Energy Commission held on May 10, 2017.

AYE: Weisenmiller, Douglas, McAllister, Hochschild, Scott

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Original Signed by:

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Secretariat