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# Before the Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission of the State of California

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**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE:** 

**PUENTE POWER PROJECT** 

Docket No. 15-AFC-01

### NOTICE OF COMMITTEE CONFERENCE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) Committee.<sup>1</sup> (Committee) assigned to conduct proceedings on the Application for Certification (Application) for the Puente Power Project (Proposed Project) has scheduled a public **Committee Conference** as follows:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2017 Beginning at 10:00 a.m.

California Energy Commission Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 (Wheelchair Accessible)

**TELECONFERENCE OPTION:** You may participate in the Committee Conference either in person, by telephone, and/or by computer via the "WebEx" conferencing system. Please see the **Remote Attendance** section below.

A **Spanish translation** of the proceedings can be provided in the meeting room and via a separate WebEx meeting if a timely request is made. Please see the **Public Participation** section below.

# **Background**

During February 7-10, 2017, the Committee held public Evidentiary Hearings in Oxnard, California, on the Application, which proposes a 262 megawatt natural-gas-fired, simple-cycle electrical generating facility. The Proposed Project would be built on

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Committee assigned to conduct proceedings on the Application for Certification for the Puente Power Project consists of Commissioner Janea Scott, Presiding Member, and Commissioner Karen Douglas, Associate Member. The Energy Commission made this Committee assignment at its June 10, 2015 Business Meeting.

approximately three acres within the existing 36-acre Mandalay Generating Station site at 393 North Harbor Boulevard, Oxnard.

On March 10, 2017, the Committee issued *Orders for Additional Evidence and Briefing Following Evidentiary Hearings*, which, among other things, ordered the Applicant and Energy Commission Staff (Staff) to submit additional evidence regarding specified subtopics related to biological resources, coastal flooding, the effects of smaller turbine(s) on aviation at alternative sites, and the Proposed Project's eventual closure. All other parties were invited to submit additional evidence on these topics.

The Committee issued a revised scheduling order for this proceeding on May 11, 2017. The revised schedule calls for the filing of supplemental testimony on June 15, 2017, the Applicant's biological resources survey report on June 23, 2017, and closing testimony on July 14, 2017.

In addition to the above evidence, on June 9, 2017, the Committee accepted an offer made by the California Independent System Operator (California ISO) to conduct a special study of the Moorpark subarea, and given the California ISO's indication that such a study could be completed in 3 - 4 weeks, requested that the results be filed by July 19, 2017. The California ISO was asked to inform the Committee, by June 16, if it will conduct the study. If the California ISO says that it will conduct the study, party responses to the study will be due on July 31, 2017, and the Evidentiary Hearings currently scheduled on July 26, 27, and (if necessary) 28, 2017, will move to August 9, 10, and (if necessary) 11, 2017. 4

On June 13, 2017, Intervenor City of Oxnard filed a Request for Adjustment to Study Schedule (City Request), asking that the schedule be extended by one week to allow the parties to comment on the parameters selected by the California ISO for study. On June 14, 2017, the Applicant filed its opposition to the City Request. Responses to the City Request are due on June 27, 2017.

# **Purpose of the Committee Conference**

The purpose of the Committee Conference is to allow the Committee, the parties, and the public the opportunity to discuss the status of the proceeding, the California ISO's response regarding whether it will conduct the special study, and the schedule for this proceeding, including the City Request. The Committee may also address any then-pending motions, petitions, or other requests that are ready for consideration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> TN 216505.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> TN 217550.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> TN 218016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> TN 218228.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> TN 218535.

#### **Closed Session Deliberations**

At any time during the Committee Conference, the Committee may adjourn to a closed session in accordance with California Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3), which allows a state body, including a delegated committee, to hold a closed session to deliberate on a decision to be reached in a proceeding the state body was required by law to conduct.

# **Transcripts**

Parties are responsible for identifying errors in the transcripts of the proceedings. Corrections to the transcripts must be submitted to the Committee within 30 days of the filing of a transcript.

## **Public Participation**

Members of the public are welcome to attend and offer oral or written comments at the Committee Conference. It is not necessary to be an intervenor to participate in the public process. Written comments may also be submitted electronically by visiting the website at:

### http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/puente

and clicking on the "Submit e-Comment" link in the "Original Proceeding" box. Otherwise, written comments may be submitted by e-mailing them to <a href="mailto:docket@energy.ca.gov">docket@energy.ca.gov</a>, or by U.S. Mail to:

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For all comments, please include the document number and proceeding name "Docket No. 15-AFC-01, Puente Power Project" in the subject line and on the cover page.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, e-mail, etc.) become part of the viewable public record and may become available via search engines such as Google and Yahoo.

Spanish translation during the Committee Conference can be made available upon timely request. If you would like to request this service, please contact the Public Adviser's Office (below) no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20, 2017.

### **Public Advisor and Other Energy Commission Contacts**

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participate in this forum, please contact Alana Mathews, Public Adviser, at <u>publicadviser@energy.ca.gov</u> or (916) 654-4489, or toll free at (800) 822-6228.

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate in the Committee Conference, contact Poneh Jones at least five days prior to the event at <a href="mailto:poneh.jones@energy.ca.gov">poneh.jones@energy.ca.gov</a> or (916) 654-4425.

Questions of a procedural nature should be directed to Paul Kramer, Hearing Officer, at <u>paul.kramer@energy.ca.gov</u> or (916) 654-5103.

Technical questions concerning the Proposed Project should be directed to Shawn Pittard, Staff Project Manager, at shawn.pittard@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4026.

Media inquiries should be directed to the Media and Public Communications Office at mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4989.

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- 3. To have WebEx call you: Enter your phone number and click "Call Me."
- 4. To listen over the computer: If you have a broadband connection, and a headset or a computer microphone and speakers, you may use VoIP (Internet audio) by going to the Audio menu, clicking on "Use Computer Headset," then "Call Using Computer."

<u>VIA TELEPHONE ONLY (no visual presentation)</u>: Call 1-866-469-3239 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada). When prompted, enter the appropriate meeting number above. International callers may select a call-in number from:

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www.webex.com/products/web-conferencing/mobile.html.

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## **Availability of Documents**

Information regarding the status of the Proposed Project, as well as notices and other relevant documents, may be viewed on the Energy Commission's web page at:

http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/puente.

Dated: June 16, 2017 at Sacramento, California

JANEA A. SCOTT

Commissioner and Presiding Member
Puente Power Project AFC Committee

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

KAREN DOUGLAS

Commissioner and Associate Member
Puente Power Project AFC Committee

Committee Conference Agenda Puente Power Project Wednesday, June 28, 2017 Beginning at 10:00 a.m.

California Energy Commission Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

- 1. Call to Order, Introductions
- 2. Committee Conference
  - a. Status of this Proceeding
  - California Independent System Operator's response to Committee's acceptance of ISO's study offer
  - c. City of Oxnard's Request to Allow for Comment on ISO Study Parameters
  - d. Other pending motions, petitions or requests, if any
  - e. Schedule

#### 3. Public Comment

Members of the public and other interested persons and entities may speak up to three minutes on a matter appearing on this agenda.

4. Closed Session (if necessary).7

Committee Closed Session consideration of the following item:

## Application for Certification of the Puente Power Project

Deliberation by the Committee on any matters submitted for decision by the Committee including, but not limited to, pending motions and scheduling.

### 5. Adjourn

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