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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

STATE ENERGY RESOURCES  
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

*In the Matter of:*

**Marsh Landing Generating Station**

**Docket No. 08-AFC-03C**

**ORDER APPROVING PETITION TO  
AMEND FACILITY LICENSE**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

In March 2018, NRG Marsh Landing, LLC, the owner and operator of the Marsh Landing Generating Station, located in the city of Antioch, California, submitted a Petition to Amend the project's Energy Commission license to allow the installation of a battery energy storage system to provide Black Start service in response to a need identified by the California Independent System Operator. The batteries would be used to start the gas turbines to restart the power plant in the event of a blackout, thereby supporting the restoration of the electrical grid in response to an emergency condition.

Energy Commission staff reviewed all project related information and, on February 8, 2019, published a staff analysis assessing the impacts on the environment from the project and recommends new and amended conditions of certification and to mitigate potential impacts and ensure the project remains in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards.

The staff analysis concludes that with the new and modified conditions of certification proposed by staff, the proposed changes would not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, and would comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards. Staff recommends approval of the Petition to Amend the Marsh Landing Generating Station, with adoption of the modified and new conditions of certification presented in staff's analysis.

**II. FINDINGS**

The Energy Commission produced an EIR-equivalent analysis of the Marsh Landing Generating Station as part of its original licensing proceeding, which culminated in the

grant of license on August 25, 2010. Based on the entire record of this proceeding, including staff's analysis, and the Marsh Landing Generating Station Commission Decision and the environmental analysis of the project contained therein, the Energy Commission concludes that the proposed modifications will not result in any significant impacts to public health and safety, or to the environment. The Energy Commission finds that:

- The petition meets all the filing criteria of Title 20, section 1769 (a)(1), of the California Code of Regulations, concerning post certification changes in project design, operation, or performance;
- None of the findings specified in Title 20, section 1748(b) are applicable; and
- The modified project would not have a significant impact on the environment.

### **III. CONCLUSION AND ORDER**

The California Energy Commission concludes that the proposed changes to the project contained in the Petition to Amend, and Energy Commission staff's analysis thereof, do not meet the criteria requiring production of subsequent or supplemental environmental review as specified in Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15162(a); therefore, no subsequent or supplemental EIR-equivalent review or documentation is required. The California Energy Commission hereby approves NRG Marsh Landing, LLC's Petition to Amend, Black Start Capability Enhancement docketed on March 26, 2018, and adopts staff's proposed additions and changes to the project's conditions of certification as set forth in the staff analysis published on February 8, 2019.

**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 March 12, 2019.

AYE: Hochschild, Scott, Douglas, McAllister

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Original Signed by:

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Secretariat