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IN THE MATTER OF:	)	Docket No. 88-AFC-01C
Solar Energy Generating Systems VIII	)	89-AFC-01C
	)	RE: STAFF WORKSHOP
Solar Energy Generating Systems IX-X	)	

### NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP

California Energy Commission (CEC) staff will conduct a workshop to discuss the draft decommissioning plans submitted for the Solar Energy Generating Systems (SEGS) VIII (88-AFC-01C) and IX and X (89-AFC-01C) projects. The workshop is required per Condition of Certification DECOMMISSIONING-1 for SEGS VIII and DECOMMISSIONING-2 for SEGS IX and X. All interested agencies and members of the public are invited to participate at the workshop, which will be held at the following time and place:

January 14, 2020 9:30 a.m.

Warren-Alquist State Energy Building 1516 Ninth Street 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Conference Room (Fishbowl) Sacramento, California 95814 (Wheelchair Accessible)

To participate in the meeting by telephone:
WebEx call-in toll-free number: 1-866-469-3239
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# **Purpose of Workshop**

The purpose of the workshop is to allow CEC staff, the project owner, interested agencies, and the public to discuss the specific contents and scope of the decommissioning plans.

As required by the conditions of certification for the projects, the decommissioning plan for each project shall:

- identify and discuss the proposed decommissioning activities and schedule for the power plant site, transmission line corridor, and all appurtenant facilities constructed as a part of, or because, of the project;
- identify all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, standards, (LORS) and local/regional plans applicable at that time;
- discuss how the specific proposed decommissioning activities will comply with those identified LORS and plans;
- contain an analysis of all decommissioning alternatives considered, including restoration of the site to its preconstruction, natural state; and
- discuss the reasons for selecting the preferred proposal.

Comments prior to and during the workshop will be considered in preparing the final decommissioning plans. After the final decommissioning plans are filed for both facilities, staff will publish its analyses of the final decommissioning plans for public review and comment and provide its written recommendation for consideration by the Energy Commission at a regularly scheduled Business Meeting.

# **Project Background**

The CEC certified the SEGS VIII project in March 1989. SEGS VIII completed construction and went online in December 1989. SEGS VIII generates a peak of 80 megawatts of solar thermal electricity for the Southern California Edison transmission grid.

The CEC certified the SEGS IX and X projects in February 1990. The SEGS IX completed construction and went online in October 1990; however, SEGS X was never built. SEGS IX generates a peak of 80 megawatts of solar thermal electricity for the Southern California Edison transmission grid.

The project owner intends to decommission and demolish SEGS VIII and SEGS IX and reuse the sites for a new photovoltaic (PV) solar facility. Any reuse of the site would not occur until after demolition is complete and the CEC approves termination of the license and relinquishes jurisdiction over the site. The proposed PV project would be subject to review by the County of San Bernardino and any other agencies with permitting jurisdiction.

#### **Review Process**

CEC staff is currently reviewing the draft decommissioning plans. The purpose of the CEC's review process is to assess the impacts of decommissioning on environmental quality and on public health and safety. The review process also includes an evaluation of whether decommissioning would comply with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards.

After staff has completed its independent review of the final decommissioning plans, staff will publish its analyses of the plans for public review and comment and provide its written recommendation for consideration by the Energy Commission at a regularly scheduled Business Meeting.

#### **Public Comment**

**Oral comments:** Staff will accept oral comments during the workshop. Any comments may become part of the public record for this proceeding.

**Written comments:** Written comments are requested to be submitted to the Docket Unit by **5:00 p.m. on January 10, 2020**. Written comments will also be accepted at the workshop; however, staff may not have time to review them before the conclusion of the workshop.

Written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g. address, phone number, email address) become part of the viewable public record. This information may also become available via any Internet search engine.

The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the project webpages following the links below:

**SEGS VIII:** 

https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=88-AFC-01C

SEGS IX-X:

https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=89-AFC-01C

Provide an electronic comment using the "Submit e-comment" link. Enter your contact information and a comment title describing the subject of your comment(s). Comments may be included in the "Comment Text" box or attached in a downloadable, searchable Microsoft® Word (.doc, .docx) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf) file. Maximum file size is 10 MB.

Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include the docket numbers 88-AFC-01C and 89-AFC-01C and SEGS VIII, IX and X in the subject line and send to docket@energy.ca.gov.

Written comments may also be mailed or hand delivered to:

California Energy Commission
Docket Unit, MS-4
Re: Docket No. 88-AFC-01C and 89-AFC-01C
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

All comments and materials filed with the Docket Unit will be added to the facility Docket Log and be publicly accessible on the CEC's webpage for the facility.

If you have questions about this workshop and notice, please contact John Heiser, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 653-8236, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:John.Heiser@energy.ca.gov">John.Heiser@energy.ca.gov</a>.

For information on participating in the CEC's review of the draft decommissioning plans, please call the Public Advisor at (800) 822-6228 (toll-free in California) or send your e-mail to publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov.

News media inquiries should be directed to the CEC Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov">mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov</a>.

Please direct requests for reasonable accommodation to Yolanda Rushin at <u>yolanda.rushin@energy.ca.gov</u> or (916) 654-4310 at least five days in advance.

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# **Availability of Documents**

The draft decommissioning plans are available on the CEC's SEGS VIII and IX project webpages at:

### **SEGS VIII:**

SEGS VIII Draft Decommissioning Plan TN 231368

https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=88-AFC-01C

## SEGS IX & X:

SEGS IX & X Draft Decommissioning Plan TN 231367

https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=89-AFC-01C

Dated: January 3, 2020, at Sacramento, California

Mail Lists: 742

Cc: SEGS VIII and IX and X listservs

Attachment: Workshop Agenda

## Agenda

# Solar Energy Generating System VIII, IX and X Workshop Tuesday January 14, 2020

## I. Introductions (Energy Commission staff and project owner)

- A. Project Introduction
- B. Current Project Status

## II. Decommissioning Presentation (project owner)

- A. Project description location and general description, including size/number of existing structures, status of planned closure work and demolition of structures
- B. Anticipated filing date of Final Decommissioning Plans
- Critical deadlines related to Commission Decision and commencement of project decommissioning
- D. Technical staff questions re: Decommissioning Plans and project demolition

# III. Energy Commission Decommissioning Plan Evaluation and Decision Process (Energy Commission staff)

- A. Decommissioning Plan process discussion
- B. Coordination with key stakeholders (agency partners—in particular, Mojave Desert AQMD, BLM, San Bernardino County, Caltrans District 8, USFWS, CDFW, Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board)

## IV. Questions, Action Items, Next Steps (Energy Commission staff)

- A. Questions from the project owner and interested agencies
- B. Action items for staff or the project owner
- C. Public Comment