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## PASTORIA ENERGY FACILITY (99-AFC-7C) Petition for Project Changes--Site Reconfiguration (Dated June 8, 2001)

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The traffic associated with the increase in workers and truck deliveries of materials and supplies does not impact the area roadways to a great extent in relation to the average daily traffic volume. But the project is proposing to increase the number of trips generated by the workforce and its construction activity. During the peak construction period this increase in workers trips would be 68 percent while the average increase over the 24-month construction period would be 54 percent.

The project is also proposing an increase in truck traffic by 140 percent over the 24month construction period.

To ensure that the increase in the project workforce and construction truck traffic does not cause a decrease in the level of service on the area roadways, this traffic needs to avoid the peak traffic hours for the area. The workers are presently working a shift from 6:00 AM to 2:30 PM. This is outside of the area's peak hour traffic volume. Peak hour traffic normally occurs between 7:00 to 9:00 AM in the morning and 4:00 to 6:00 PM in the evening. To further ensure that the project does not significantly impact the traffic flows the truck traffic should be limited to off peak hours.

The following new condition should be imposed on the applicant to ensure this increase in construction related traffic does not reduce the level of service on the area roadways.

**TRANS-9** The owner shall schedule construction work hours that avoid the morning and evening peak hour traffic periods, including truck traffic.

**Verification:** The project owner shall maintain workers time cards or a log which specify arrival and departure times and a delivery log which specifies, in part, the time and date of each delivery in the on-site compliance file.