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## NOTICE OF RECEIPT PETITION FOR POST CERTIFICATION CHANGE LA PALOMA GENERATING PLANT (98-AFC-02C)

On February 2, 2024, the CXA La Paloma, LLC, the project owner, filed a Post-Certification Petition for Changes in project Design, Operation or Performance and Amendments to the Commission Decision (Petition) (TN# 254308) with the California Energy Commission (CEC) for the La Paloma Generating Plant (LPGP) pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1769.

The LPGP, a nominal 1,048-megawatt (MW) combined-cycle, natural gas-fired plant, was certified by the CEC in October 1999 and began commercial operation in March 2003. The facility is located near McKittrick in Kern County.

## **SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES**

The project owner seeks approval to modify the existing wet compression inlet air fogging system on each of the four existing combined-cycle gas turbine generators (CTGs) to increase power output by up to 12 MWs per turbine during hot weather conditions to improve the plant's overall power efficiency.

For additional information, the <u>CEC's project webpage</u>, https://www.energy.ca.gov/powerplant/combined-cycle/la-paloma-generating-plant, has a link to the petition accessible through the webpage in the box labeled "Compliance Proceeding." Click on the "Documents for this Proceeding (Docket Log)" option.

## **REVIEW PROCESS**

This petition is reviewed pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1769. The review process includes an evaluation of the effect the change could have on the environment; the project's compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, or standards; and whether a change to, or deletion of any condition of certification adopted by the CEC in the final decision or subsequent amendments is required.

After staff has completed its independent review and analysis of this petition, the assessment will be published for public review and comment. Included in the staff analysis, will be written notice of staff's intent to either process the

proposed changes as a staff-approved project change or schedule it for consideration by the CEC at a regularly scheduled business meeting.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

This notice of receipt is being mailed to the CEC's LPGP mailing list of interested agencies, the public, and property owners that requested placement on the mailing list as well as to property owners within 1,000 feet of the facility site and 500 feet of the facility linear features (for example, pipeline). The notice is also being sent to the La Paloma Generating Plant subscription list. The subscription service is an automated CEC system by which information about this facility is emailed to parties who have subscribed. To subscribe, go to the <a href="CEC's project webpage">CEC's project webpage</a>, cited above, scroll down the right side of the project webpage to the box labeled "Subscribe," and provide the requested contact information.

Any person may comment on the petition or the staff analysis when publicly available. The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system. To use the CEC's electronic commenting feature, go to the <a href="CEC's project webpage">CEC's project webpage</a>, cited above, click on the "Submit e-Comment" link, and follow the instructions in the online form. Be sure to include the facility name in your comments.

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

Written comments may also be mailed to:

California Energy Commission Docket Unit, MS-4 Docket No. 98-AFC-02C 715 P Street Sacramento, CA 95814

If you have questions about this notice, please contact Compliance Project Manager Ashley Gutierrez, Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Unit, Safety and Reliability Branch, at (916) 839-0400 or via e-mail at ashley.gutierrez@energy.ca.gov.

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For information on public participation, please contact the CEC's Office of Public Advisor, Energy Equity, and Tribal Affairs at (916) 957-7910 or email at <a href="mailto:publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov">publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov</a>.

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