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Melissa Jones Executive Director California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Application for Certification for Small Power Plant Exemption

Dear Ms. Jones:

The City of Riverside Public Utilities (RPU) is pleased to submit its Application for Certification for Small Power Plant Exemption (SPPE) for the Riverside Energy Resource Center Units 3 & 4 Project (RERC 3 & 4). Our Application is in accordance with the provisions of Title 20, California Code of Regulations Article 5 (Section 1934 et seq).

RERC 3 & 4 are designed to supply peaking power to RPU's customers during summer peak electrical demands and provide power for the City's emergency and essential services in case of a major catastrophic event on the California power grid. None of the power generated from RERC 3 & 4 will be exported outside of the City and RPU's grid.

RERC 3 & 4 will consist of two natural gas General Electric LM6000 generators located on approximately 2.2 acres of land between RERC Units 1 & 2 and the City of Riverside's Regional Water Quality Control Plant (RRWQCP) located within the city. Natural gas will be provided on site through existing facilities and water will be obtained from the RRWQCP

The RERC 3 & 4 Project has been designed to be constructed and operated in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (LORS). The project will employ a Zero Liquid Discharge system, eliminating the need to discharge wastewater. The project will also apply best available control technology (BACT) for reduction of air emissions. The project is not expected to have any adverse impacts on the environment or energy resources.



Our goal is to begin construction later this year and have at least one unit in operation for the summer 2009 peak season. We are looking forward to working with your staff to make this a successful project for all.

I hereby attest, under penalty of perjury, that the contents of this SPPE application are truthful and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

If you have any questions, or require further information, please do not hesitate to call me at 951-826-5504 or RERC Project Manager Robert Gill at 951-710-5011.

Sincerely,

Stephen H. Badgett

Utilities Deputy General Manager/Energy Delivery

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