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Commissioner Jeffery D. Byron California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

Subject: Eastshore Energy Center- Presiding Members Proposed Decision (PMPD) (06-AFC-6)

Dear Commissioner Byron,

The California Pilots Association and the San Carlos Airport Pilots Association supports and applauds your PMPD denying the application for Eastshore Energy Center (Eastshore or EEC) Power Plant to be built in Hayward within 1/2mile of Hayward Executive Airport.

(Our legal position is put forth in a separate document by our Attorney Jewell Hargleroad which details our suggested revisions to the PMPD which we believe will help support and defend this decision; hence our suggestions re Russell City Energy Center (PMPD and to the Alternative sections).

The Hayward Executive Airport is a vital link in the National Transportation System. It is therefore important to protect the airspace above and adjacent to the Airport as well as the land around it.

As you noted in the PMPD pg 350 "We conclude that EEC is likely to create a hazard in two ways- (1) turbulence from the plumes rising to an altitude where airplanes fly, and (2) pilots needing to take additional measures while in the cockpit in order to avoid potential invisible plumes-and therefore that project will cause significant, adverse environmental impacts. We also conclude that the impacts cannot be mitigated."

Noted on pg 350 "The proximity of the EEC site to the Hayward Airport, particularly its location within the airspace is problematic in an already congested area." You further delineate on page 351... "available airspace and traffic patterns are a concern not only horizontally but also vertically."

These are important and correct statements.

By constructing even **one** power plant within 1/2 mile (or any power plant within 1 and 1/2 miles- as you may be aware, we remain adamantly opposed to Russell-RCEC Amendment (01-AFC-7C)) of the airport, it will limit airspace use, which would have a dramatic deleterious affect on the Bay Area's air traffic management and the utility of the Hayward Airport, an important reliever airport to Oakland.

We appreciate your work and attention to disparate details. Please **continue to deny** the application for Eastshore.

Respectfully submitted,

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