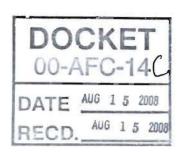
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AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT GEOTECHNICAL TESTING ON THE SITE OF THE EL SEGUNDO POWER REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT, 00-AFC-14C, GENERAL CONDITIONS

Dear Mr. Piantka:

This is in response to your e-mail of August 5, 2008, regarding the El Segundo Power Redevelopment Project (ESPRP) request to conduct geotechnical testing on the project site. In your e-mail, you indicate that El Segundo Energy Center (ESEC) II, LLC would like to undertake geotechnical testing (ground boring) on the project site in the near future.

The definitions in the General Conditions of Certification, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section (PRC) 25105, provide that construction does not include soil or geological investigation. The purpose of that definition is to exempt such testing from normal requirements for construction or other preconstruction activities so that they can be accomplished prior to satisfying requirements that are otherwise prerequisite to ground disturbing events. Therefore, the normal requirements are hereby waived. However, we require that your Designated Cultural Resource Specialist or Cultural Resource Monitor observe the testing in order to prevent disturbance of any potential cultural resources.

We believe that your proposal is consistent with the ESPRP conditions of the certification and PRC Section 25105, and ESEC II is therefore authorized to conduct the proposed geotechnical investigation. Please provide a work schedule prior to commencement of the testing.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 916-654-3936.

Sincerely,

TEPHEN D. MUNRO

Compliance Project Manager Energy Facilities Siting Division