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PROPOSED NEW POWER PLANT, SOUTHWESTERN FRESNO COUNTY

Dear Clarence Atwell,

Your name was provided to the California Energy Commission by the Native American Heritage Commission as a representative of a Native American community who might be interested in the proposed construction and operation of a solar and biomass-fueled power plant in southwestern Fresno County, east of Coalinga (see attached map).

The Energy Commission has jurisdiction over the proposed project and has received an application for a permit to build and operate the power plant, known as the San Joaquin Solar 1&2 Hybrid Project. You will receive, if you have not already received, specific information about the proposed power plant from the project applicant. Information about the project can also be viewed on the Energy Commission website at: <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/sjsolar/index.html>.

Please review the information you receive from the project applicant, and if you have concerns regarding cultural resources that could potentially be affected by the proposed power plant and related facilities, please contact Beverly E. Bastian (Phone: 916-654-4840; Fax: (916) 651-8868; E-mail: bbastian@energy.state.ca.us). You may also call the Energy Commission's Public Adviser, toll-free at 1-800-822-6228, for assistance in participating in the Commission's review of the proposed project.

The Energy Commission cultural resources staff welcomes your comments. Over the coming months we will also be holding workshops and hearings on the project and our preliminary assessment. You will be notified concerning the dates, locations, and topics to be covered.

Sincerely,

Dale Edwards, Manager
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cc: Energy Commission Dockets
Joseph Douglas, Siting Project Manager

