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Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 1209, 1209.5, and 1210, enclosed herewith for filing please find Applicant's Status Report #3.

City of Palmdale Hybrid Power Plant Project: Docket No. 08-AFC-9

Please note that the enclosed submittal was filed today via electronic mail to your attention and to all parties on the attached electronic proof of service list.

Very truly yours,

Senior Paralegal

Enclosure

cc: 08-AFC-9 Proof of Service List (w/encl. via e-mail and U.S. Mail)

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

In the Matter of:) Docket No. 08-AFC-09
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION, FOR THE PALMDALE HYBRID POWER PROJECT BY THE CITY OF PALMDALE	APPLICANT'S STATUS REPORT #3)))

On behalf of the City of Palmdale ("Applicant") and pursuant to the Committee Scheduling Order issued on December 15, 2008, we hereby submit this Status Report #3.

I. DISCOVERY STATUS

A. Three outstanding Data Requests should not delay preparation of the Preliminary Staff Assessment

As shown in the following table, only three Data Requests remain outstanding, none of which should preclude Staff from completing the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA). The Facility Study has not yet been provided by SCE, but ongoing discussions with SCE suggest that it should be provided shortly. Furthermore, Staff can proceed with the PSA while SCE completes the Facility Study. Applicant continues to rigorously pursue the resolution of all outstanding requests.

Summary of Outstanding Data Requests

Data	Date	Anticipated	Additional Information
Request	Requested	Response Date	
1	12/10/08	7/22/09	Staff understood at the time of the request that some biological surveys would be delayed by the need to complete the surveys during specific times of the year. In addition, this particular species (arroyo toad) was only identified as needing to be surveyed in early 2009, when it became apparent that there has been sufficient rainfall that water was flowing in Little Rock Creek. All of the surveys identified

Data	Date	Anticipated	Additional Information	
Request	Requested	Response Date		
			in the original Set 1 Data Requests have been completed and the	
			survey reports previously submitted.	
78	12/10/08	In process	Applicant has used best, good faith efforts to facilitate SCE's	
			preparation of the Facility Study which continues to be delayed for	
			reasons outside Applicant's control. SCE recently expressed to the	
			Applicant that the Facility Study would be completed in the near	
			future.	
137-S	5/20/09	In review	Applicant submitted a geoarchaeology study on May 1, 2009 in	
			response to Data Request 137. Additional questions were sent on	
			May 20, 2009; and Applicant is actively working with Staff to	
			resolve the scope of this request.	
The "-S" denotes a supplemental question related to the initial data request.				

B. Minor changes to Project Description were fully addressed by supplemental information and did not result in any new significant impacts

To accommodate agency requests and site conditions, several minor revisions to the site layout, power block and linear routes were made to the PHPP Project Description as part of the March 2, 2009 submittal. The changes primarily involved slight adjustments that had little to no potential to result in significant new environmental impacts. For the changes that required additional data, field surveys or modeling, the information has been provided by the Applicant. As shown in the following table, none of the minor changes caused or contributed to a significant new environmental impact.

Minor Changes to Project Description	Changes Addressed by Supplemental Information	New Significant Impacts?	Additional Information Needed?
Site Layout. Slight changes were made to	March 2, 2009 Supplemental Responses #2 to	No	No
the access road, location of the gas metering station, detention basin location, solar field	Data Requests Set 1; Docketed email from AECOM dated March 12, 2009; May 1, 2009		
size, and overall site size.	Submittal to Data Requests Set 2		
Power Block. Minor relocation of the combustion turbines, increased size of the	March 2, 2009 Supplemental Responses #2 to Data Requests Set 1; Applicant comments on	No	No
auxiliary boiler from 100 MMBtu to 110	the PDOC submitted March 19, 2009; May 1,		
MMBtu, increased stack height for auxiliary	2009 Submittal to Data Requests Set 2; PSD		
boiler from 30 to 60 feet, and decreased stack	application dated April 29, 2009		
of emergency generator from 30 to 16 feet.			
Pipelines. Adjustments were made to the	March 2, 2009 Supplemental Responses #2 to	No	No
location of the sanitary wastewater and	Data Requests Set 1; May 1, 2009 Submittal to		
potable water pipelines.	Data Requests Set 2; May 19, 2009 e-mail		
	submittal in response to May 11, 2009 e-mail		
	regarding land use		
Transmission Line. Very short segments of	March 2, 2009 Supplemental Responses #2 to	No	No
the transmission line were adjusted along	Data Requests Set 1; April 9, 2009		
Lone Oak Rd and the interconnection with	Supplemental Responses #3 (including a		
the Vincent Substation.	confidential cultural submittal); May 1, 2009		
	Supplemental Responses #4 to Data Requests		
	Set 1, BRTR Addendum		

II. REVISED PROJECT SCHEDULE

On May 28, 2009 Applicant met with Melissa Jones, Executive Director, and Terry O'Brian, Deputy Director, of the CEC to discuss concerns about delays in the Project Schedule. A consensus was reached that a revised schedule is needed to establish new deadlines for the PSA completion and other key milestones.

Based on the 12-month AFC process required under the Warren-Alquist Act and Applicant's understanding of the current status of the permitting process, Applicant proposes the following revised schedule. The Application for Certification was deemed "Data Adequate" on October 8, 2008, so the Applicant should have been able to expect a Final Decision in October 2009.

Please note that Applicant is not requesting an expedited schedule even though the Governor's Executive Order S-14-08 calls on the CEC and other State agencies to expedite the review of renewable energy projects such as the PHPP.

Proposed Revised Palmdale Hybrid Power Project Schedule (08-AFC-9)

Date	Event
6/15/09	AVAQMD Issues Revised Preliminary Determination of
	Compliance (PDOC)
7/1/09	Staff issues its Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA)
7/16/09	PSA Workshop held
7/20/09	AVAQMD Issues Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC)
8/19/09	Staff issues its Final Staff Assessment (FSA)
8/24/09	Pre-Hearing Conference held
9/2/09	Evidentiary Hearing held
10/29/09	Presiding Member Proposed Decision (PMPD) issued
11/11/09	PMPD Hearing
12/16/09	Decision Adoption

DATED: June 3, 2009 Respectfully submitted,

/S/ MARC T. CAMPOPIANO

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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POWER PLANT PROJECT)	(Revised April 30, 2009)
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I, Paul Kihm, declare that on June 3, 2009, I served and filed copies of the attached:

APPLICANT'S STATUS REPORT #3

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on June 3, 2009, at Costa Mesa, California.

Paul Kihm