

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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June 16, 2009

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP
FOR THE PROPOSED BEACON SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT (08-AFC-2)**

**Wednesday, July 1, 2009
Starting at 8:00am**

**California City
Council Chambers – City Hall
21000 Hacienda Blvd.
California City, CA 93505
(Wheelchair Accessible)
(Map Attached)**

DOCKET	
08-AFC-2	
DATE	<u>06/16/09</u>
RECD.	<u>06/17/09</u>

**To participate in the meeting by telephone,
please call: 1-866-469-3239 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada)
Enter passcode: 928 164 899**

Purpose

This notice is to inform you that the Energy Commission staff will hold a workshop to discuss the Beacon Solar Energy Project (BSEP) Application for Certification (08-AFC-2) and further encourage public participation, as it relates to the proposed BSEP and the Energy Commission's permitting process. The workshop will provide an opportunity for agencies, the public and other interested parties to present questions and comments on the BSEP. All interested agencies and members of the public are invited to participate. The workshop will be held on Wednesday, July 1, 2009 starting at 8:00 a.m. in California City, Council Chambers – City Hall, 21000 Hacienda Blvd., California City, California. Based on the workshop dialogue, written comments received regarding the BSEP, and additional information that will be gathered, the Energy Commission staff will issue a Final Staff Assessment (FSA).

Background

On March 14, 2008, the applicant filed an Application for Certification (AFC) with the California Energy Commission seeking permission to develop the proposed 250 megawatt (MW) BSEP project. The applicant proposes to locate BSEP on 2,012 acres within the Mojave Desert, in Kern County, California. The proposed project would also require on-site and off-site infrastructure improvements such as a natural gas pipeline and metering station, new ground water monitoring wells, storm water retention basins and diversion channels, telecommunications lines and road improvements, among others.

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Public Participation

If you desire information on how to participate in the Energy Commission's review of the proposed project, please contact Elena Miller, the Energy Commission's Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by email at:

publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us.

To request special accommodations for those persons with disabilities, please contact Lourdes Quiroz, the Energy Commission's Equal Employment Opportunity Officer at lquiroz@energy.state.ca.us or by telephone (916) 654-5146. For those persons with limited English knowledge, request interpreter services by contacting the Project Manager, Eric Solorio, at (916) 651-0966.

Questions and Access to Information

General information and documents on the proposed project are available on the Energy Commission's website at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/beacon/index.html>.

Technical or project schedule questions should be directed to Eric K. Solorio, Siting Project Manager, at the address on this letterhead or by email to esolorio@energy.state.ca.us or by phone at (916) 651-0966. News media inquiries should be directed to Assistant Director, Susanne Garfield, at (916) 654-4989, or by email at: mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

Date: _____

TERRENCE O'BRIEN, Deputy Director
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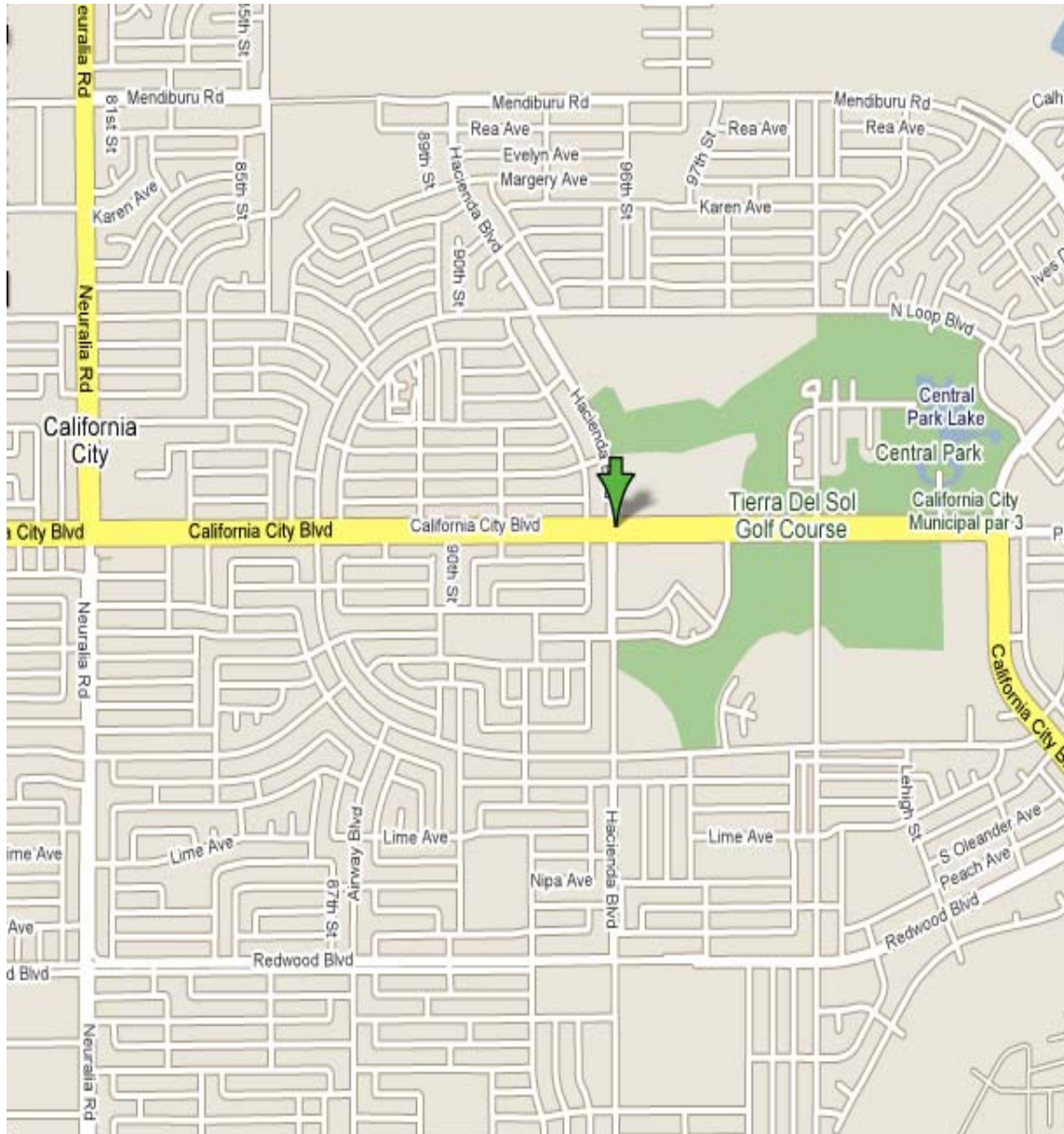
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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
For the *BEACON SOLAR ENERGY*
PROJECT

Docket No. 08-AFC-2

PROOF OF SERVICE

(Revised 4/28/09)

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Maria Santourdjian, declare that on June 17, 2009, I served and filed copies of the attached Notice of Public Workshop for Beacon Solar Energy Project (08-AFC-2). The original document, filed with the Docket Unit, is accompanied by a copy of the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at: **[www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/beacon]**. The document has been sent to both the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the Proof of Service list) and to the Commission's Docket Unit, in the following manner:

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Original Signature in Dockets
Maria Santourdjian