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RE:

Marsh Landing Generating Station

Application for Certification 08-AFC-03

On behalf of Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC (Mirant March Landing), the applicant for the Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS), we are pleased to submit this Amendment to the MLGS Application for Certification (AFC). Enclosed are the following documents:

- Sixty print copies of the Amendment to the Application for Certification
- Sixty-five CDs containing the Amendment
- Five copies of a DVD containing Air Quality and Public Health Modeling files

On May 30, 2008, Mirant Marsh Landing filed an AFC with the California Energy Commission (CEC), seeking approval to construct and operate the MLGS. Mirant Marsh Landing now submits this amendment to the AFC to describe proposed modifications to the MLGS project design. As described in the AFC, the MLGS was designed to be a nominal 930-megawatt (MW) natural-gas—fired electricity generating facility consisting of four power blocks: two Siemens Flex Plant 10 (FP10) units operating in combined-cycle mode; and two Siemens 5000F combustion turbine units operating in simple-cycle mode (Simple Cycle units). The two FP10 combined-cycle units were designed to be intermediate load units and were expected to operate at a 40 to 50 percent annual capacity factor. The two Simple Cycle units were designed as peaking units and were expected to operate at less than 10 percent annual capacity factor.

The modified MLGS will still consist of four power blocks within the same 27-acre site, but the power blocks will be four Siemens 5000F combustion turbine units operating in simple-cycle mode. The modified MLGS will use the same four Siemens combustion turbines as originally proposed in the AFC, but all four combustion turbines will operate in simple-cycle mode. As so modified, the MLGS will be a nominal 760-MW facility (at 75 degrees Fahrenheit [°F] temperature and 54 percent relative humidity) that is designed to provide peaking power and is expected to operate at a maximum 20 percent annual capacity factor. The MLGS will be



capable of producing 719 MW during peak July conditions (103.9 °F temperature and 31 percent relative humidity).

From a construction standpoint, the four Simple Cycle units are a less complex facility than the four power blocks originally proposed in the AFC. Construction is estimated to begin in late 2010 or early 2011. Commercial operation for the MLGS is expected to commence on May 1, 2013.

The elimination of the combined-cycle FP10 units and the reduction in the project's maximum annual capacity factor, also greatly reduces the project's total water consumption to approximately 50 acre-feet per year. With this reduced water use, it is no longer feasible to undertake the capital improvements that would be needed to facilitate the use of recycled water supplied by Delta Diablo Sanitation District. To serve the project's reduced need for process water, Mirant Marsh Landing proposes to use brackish groundwater to be supplied from new groundwater wells. The new wells will be located on the adjacent Contra Costa Power Plant property.

Please include this document in the AFC record.

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Enclosures as stated

CC: Mike Monasmith

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I, <u>Catherine Short</u>, declare that on <u>September 16, 2009</u>, I served and filed copies of the attached <u>Application of Certification Amendment</u>. 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:

[http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/index.html]. 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.	
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