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Dear Librarian:

DOCUMENT HANDLING FOR THE CANYON POWER PLANT (07-AFC-9) and POSTING OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The enclosed Final Staff Assessment (FSA) contains the California Energy Commission staff's preliminary engineering and environmental evaluation of the proposed Canyon Power Plant (CPP) project. Please make this FSA available for those who may wish to be informed about the project. We request that you not allow the FSA or any of its contents to be removed from the library. To increase accessibility of the document, we ask, if possible, that you cross reference it as a general reference work under the title and author categories, as well as under such subjects as "Energy Commission," "electricity energy/generation," "power plant siting," or any other relevant subject. Please retain the enclosed letter to the public behind the front cover of the FSA.

The Energy Commission's siting process is open to the public and incorporates the input of the public as well as local, state and federal agencies. To facilitate public participation in our review process, the Commission distributes copies of staff documents such as the FSA to public libraries in communities near the proposed project, and in major cities throughout the state. As such, please retain a copy of the enclosed Notice of Availability behind the front cover of the FSA and also post a copy of the Public Notice in a place conspicuous and accessible to those members of the general public who visit the library.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Eric K. Solorio, Siting Project Manager, at (916) 651-0966 or at the address on this letterhead or by email to esolorio@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,
EILEEN ALLEN Siting and Docket Office Manager

Enclosure

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TO: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE REVIEW OF THE FINAL STAFF ASSESSMENT FOR THE CANYON POWER PLANT (07-AFC-9)

Summary of the Proposed Canyon Power Plant (CPP) Project

The Southern California Public Power Authority filed an Application for Certification (07-AFC-9) with the California Energy Commission on December 28, 2007, to construct and operate a simple cycle peaking power plant. The proposed Canyon Power Plant (CPP) would be a nominally rated 200 megawatt (MW) peaking power plant using four natural gas-fired General Electric LM 6000PC Sprint Combustion Turbine units. Each combustion turbine generator would utilize a mechanical inlet air chiller to maintain maximum output and efficiency. The power generation process would combust natural gas to rotate a turbine which drives an electrical generator. The electrical generator would deliver power to a step up transformer which is connected to an underground electrical conductor leading to the local transmission grid.

Energy Commission Licensing Authority

The Energy Commission is responsible for reviewing and ultimately approving or denying all applications for construction and operation of thermal electric power plants, 50 MW and greater, proposed for construction in California. The Energy Commission's facility certification process carefully examines public health and safety, environmental impacts and engineering aspects of proposed power plants, and all related facilities such as electric transmission lines and natural gas and water pipelines. The Energy Commission is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and because the regulatory program has been certified by the Natural Resources Agency pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.5, produces several environmental and decision documents rather than an Environmental Impact Report.

California Energy Commission Staff's Final Staff Assessment (FSA)

The FSA contains the California Energy Commission staff's final environmental and engineering evaluation of the CPP and will serve as staff's testimony during evidentiary hearings. The Energy Commission Committee assigned to the CPP proceedings will consider and weigh the testimony or comments or recommendations of all interested parties, including Energy Commission staff, the applicant, intervenors, public, and other local, state, and federal agencies, before issuing the Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD) for consideration by the full Energy Commission. The public, intervenors, local, state and federal agencies are encouraged to participate in these hearings. The Energy Commission will issue notices at least ten days prior to any scheduled hearings.

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Energy Commission staff concludes that with implementation of staff's recommended mitigation measures described in the conditions of certification, the CPP would comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (LORS), and that significant adverse direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts will not occur. For a more detailed review of potentially significant impacts and the related mitigation measures, please refer to each chapter of the FSA.

The California Energy Commission encourages public participation in the review of the Canyon Power Plant (CPP) Application for Certification and staff's FSA. Written comments on the FSA should be provided to Eric Solorio, Siting Project Manager, no later than 5:00 p.m., November 8, 2009 at the address on this letterhead or by email to esolorio@energy.state.ca.us. Technical or project schedule questions should also be directed to Eric Solorio at (916) 651-0966 or by email.

Public Resources, Contact Information and Additional Sources for Information

If you desire information on how to participate in the Energy Commission's review of the proposed project, please contact 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.

The status of the project, an electronic copy of the FSA, copies of notices, and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission's web site at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/canyon/index.html

News media inquiries should be directed to Assistant Director, Susanne Garfield, at (916) 654-4989, or by email at: mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

If you would like a paper copy or CD of the FSA, please fill out the enclosed form and return it to California Energy Commission, Attention: Maria Santourdjian, Siting Project Assistant, at (916) 651-9410, or by e-mail at msergoyan@energy.state.ca.us.



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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE CANYON POWER
PLANT PROJECT

Docket No. 07-AFC-9

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, <u>Maria Santourdjian</u>, declare that on <u>October 20, 2009</u>, I served and filed copies of the attached <u>Canyon FSA Library Letter and Posting of Public Notice</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/canyon/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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l decl	are under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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