

BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 1516 NINTH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814 1-800-822-6228 – www.energy.ca.gov

DOCKET 09-AFC-4

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Application for Certification for the OAKLEY GENERATING STATION PROJECT

Docket No. 09-AFC-4

COMMITTEE SCHEDULING ORDER

On September 23, 2009, the Application for Certification (AFC) was deemed data adequate for the twelve-month review process prescribed in Public Resources Code, section 25540.6. The Committee conducted a public Informational Hearing on November 9, 2009, to discuss the schedule and other issues of concern. The attached Committee Schedule is based upon Staff's proposed schedule and the related discussion at the Informational Hearing.

The attached Committee Schedule provides dates for the period leading up to the publication of the Final Staff Assessment/Final Environmental Impact Statement (FSA/FEIS) and formulas for the time intervals between subsequent events. We encourage the parties to consider this schedule an outer boundary and make their best efforts to complete the milestones ahead of these dates. Depending on the degree of controversy and number of contested issues, the intervals following the FSA/FEIS publication may be compressed or lengthened.

As Staff notes in its October 27, 2009 Issues Identification report, the Commission is currently facing heavy workloads in the power plant siting process. Thus, the events in the schedule may not occur as quickly as the schedule provides.

We may modify the schedule at any time upon either our own motion or that of a party. [Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1709.7(c).] The schedule includes periodic status reports to determine whether case development is progressing satisfactorily, and to bring potential schedule delays or other relevant matters to our attention.

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Questions about the above formatting and filing directives may be addressed to Paul Kramer, the Hearing Officer in this matter.

Dated: November 23, 2009, at Sacramento, California.

JAMES D. BOYD

Vice Chair and Presiding Member

Oakley AFC Committee

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¹ The California Independent System Operator (CAISO) has informed us that it does not wish to receive paper copies and will be so marked on the Proof of Service list.

COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

FOR THE OAKLEY GENERATING STATION POWER PLANT PROJECT (09-AFC-4)

| DATE | EVENT |
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| September 23, 2009 | AFC Data Adequate |
| November 9, 2009 | Site Visit and Informational Hearing |
| December 21, 2009 | Data Response and Issue Resolution Workshop |
| December 29, 2009 | Staff files data request set 2 (if necessary) |
| December 30, 2009 | Local, State, and Federal Agency Draft Determinations, including Air District's Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) filed |
| January 6, 2010 and every five (5) weeks thereafter until the FSA is filed | Parties file Status Reports |
| January 15, 2010 | Applicant Files Data Responses required by Staff to complete its preliminary analysis |
| February 19, 2010 | Staff publishes Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) |
| Mid March, 2010 | Staff conducts PSA workshop |
| March 19, 2010 | Local, State, and Federal Agency Final Comments and Determinations, including Air District's Final DOC filed |
| 4 – 5 weeks after PSA published | Committee Conference |
| April 19, 2010 | Staff publishes Final Staff Assessment (FSA) |
| Late April, 2010 | Staff conducts FSA workshop |
| FSA + 4 weeks | Applicant's opening testimony and preliminary identification of contested issues filed and served |
| FSA + 6 weeks | Staff and other parties file and serve opening testimony (other than FSA/FEIS) and Prehearing Conference Statements; Applicant files Prehearing Conference Statement |
| FSA + 7 weeks | All parties file rebuttal testimony |
| FSA + 7 weeks | Prehearing Conference |
| FSA + 8 weeks | Evidentiary Hearings |
| 3 weeks after Evidentiary Hearings close | Post Hearing Briefs filed* |
| 6 - 7 weeks after Evidentiary Hearings close | Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD) issued for 30-day comment period |
| Approx. 25 days after PMPD issued | PMPD comment hearing |
| 35 days after PMPD issued | Revised PMPD issued* for 15-day (30 days if significant environmental information added) review period* |
| To be determined | Energy Commission Final Decision Adoption Hearing |

^{*} if necessary Issued: November 23, 2009



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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE OAKLEY GENERATING STATION

Docket No. 09-AFC-4 PROOF OF SERVICE (Established 10/8/2009)

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, <u>Maggie Read</u>, declare that on <u>December 23, 2009</u>, I served and filed copies of the attached, <u>Committee Scheduling Order</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/contracosta/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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Original signed by____

Maggie Read

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