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Commissioner Anthony Eggert, Presiding Member
Vice Chair James D. Boyd, Associate Member
Mr. Craig Hoffman, Project Manager
Abengoa Mojave Solar Project (09-AFC-5)
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Abengoa Mojave Solar Project (09-AFC-5) Transmission Interconnection

Dear Commissioners Eggert and Boyd, and Mr. Hoffman:

This letter is to communicate to the Commission Abengoa Solar Inc.'s decision to proceed with this project using the Special Protection System (SPS) offered by Southern California Edison (SCE) in the Facilities Study ("FS") dated November 20, 2009 and submitted to the Commission under confidential cover.

SPS upgrade installation involves minimal ground disturbance and will be carried out under the full control of SCE. From reviewing the FS, it is our understanding that SCE will upgrade existing, or install new, communication lines and poles without upgrading existing transmission lines within the existing right of ways. As a result, the installation of SPS should have minimal environmental impacts.

Thank you for your and your staff's continued efforts in this permitting process. Please contact Mr. Tandy McMannes of my staff with any questions.

Best Regards,



Emiliano Garcia
General Manager