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SUBJECT: MORRO BAY MODERNIZATION & REPLACEMENT POWER PLANT

PROJECT (00-AFC-12): TANK FARM DEMOLITION STATUS

Dear Mr. Prill:

This letter is intended to update you on the latest information regarding the Morro Bay Tank Farm Removal Project. I have just briefed several senior staff here at the California Energy Commission, including the Commission's Chair and they want me to convey staff's current position on the Tank Farm removal process.

Dynegy is not currently authorized to begin demolition activities at the Tank Farm because the Energy Commission staff has not completed a full review of your submittals and determined that all conditions related to the demolition order have been satisfied. Until Dynegy receives written approval to begin demolition, removal pursuant to the order is prohibited.

It is the Energy Commission staff's opinion that any removal of the Tank Farm components cannot occur until a site cleanup plan has been submitted to and approved by all appropriate regulatory agencies, including, but not limited to, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control and the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Additionally, the cleanup of the site must be implemented or a cap placed over the site immediately after the removal so that there is no migration of hazardous wastes or substances offsite, to surface water, or to groundwater. These requirements must be addressed in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

The Commission's staff has also expressed concerns regarding the jurisdiction of the California Energy Commission over the removal process, since there does not appear to be a path available for Dynegy to construct the power plant that was the subject of the Application For Certification (00-AFC-12). This will be fully addressed by Commission Management at a later date.

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If you have any questions, please call me at (916) 651-0587 or e-mail me at cmarxen@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

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