



BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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09-AFC-10

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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE
**RICE SOLAR ENERGY POWER
PLANT PROJECT**

Docket No. 09-AFC-10

NOTICE OF MANDATORY STATUS CONFERENCE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Committee designated by the Energy Commission to conduct proceedings on the Application for Certification (AFC) for the **RICE SOLAR ENERGY POWER PROJECT** has scheduled a Mandatory Status Conference to take place as follows:

**Thursday, August 12, 2010
Beginning at 2:00 p.m.**

**California Energy Commission
Hearing Room B
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814**

TELECONFERENCE OPTION

You may participate in the Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing by telephone and/or by computer via our "WebEx" web conferencing system. For details on how to participate, please see the "Participation through WebEx" section at the end of this Notice.

Purpose of the Status Conference

This Status Conference is sponsored by the Energy Commission to inform the Committee, the parties, and the community about the project's progress to date in the AFC process.

Conference Participation

The Committee **directs** each party to participate and be represented by an agent with authority to bind and make decisions on the party's behalf. The Committee also invites the attendance of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Western Area Power Administration.

Public Participation

Based on the current Committee Scheduling Order, which specifies September 8 and 9, 2010, as the prehearing conference and hearing dates for this proceeding, the last day to file a petition to intervene is August 9, 2010.

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser is available to assist the public in participating in the application review process. Contact the Public Adviser's Office at (916) 654-4489 or 800-822-6228 or e-mail: **[publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us]**.

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate in any scheduled event, contact Lourdes Quiroz no less than five days prior to the hearing at (916) 654-5146 or e-mail: **[lquiroz@energy.state.ca.us]**.

Information

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Kourtney Vaccaro, the Hearing Officer, at (916) 654-4328 or e-mail: **[kvaccaro@energy.state.ca.us]**.

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to John Kessler, the Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-4679 or e-mail: **[jkessler@energy.state.ca.us]**.

Media inquiries should be directed to the Office of Media and Public Communications at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail: **[mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us]**.

Information concerning the status of the project, as well as notices and other relevant documents may be viewed on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at: **[[www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/ ricesolar/ index.html](http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/ricesolar/index.html)]**.

Dated: July 30, 2010 at Sacramento, California.

Original signed by:
ROBERT B. WEISENMILLER
Commissioner and Presiding Member
Rice Solar AFC Committee

Original signed by:
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Rice Solar AFC Committee

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PARTICIPATION IN THE PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE AND EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS THROUGH WEBEX THE ENERGY COMMISSION'S ON-LINE MEETING SERVICE

1. COMPUTER LOG-ON WITH A DIRECT PHONE NUMBER:

- Please go to <https://energy.webex.com> and enter the meeting number unique to the specific hearing date:
➤ 8/12/2010 - meeting number: 921 101 613
- When prompted, enter your information and the meeting password:
➤ Password = rice123!

After you login, a prompt will appear on-screen for you to provide **your** phone number. In the **Number box**, type your area code and phone number and click OK. **You will receive a call back on your phone for the audio of the meeting.** International callers can use the "Country/Region" button to help make their connection.

2. COMPUTER LOG-ON FOR CALLERS WITH AN EXTENSION PHONE NUMBER, ETC:

- Please go to <https://energy.webex.com> and enter the unique meeting number and the meeting password (above).
- *After you login, a prompt will ask for your phone number. Click "CANCEL."*
- *Instead call 1-866-469-3239 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada). When prompted, enter the meeting number above and your unique Attendee ID number which is listed in the top left area of your computer screen after you login.*

3. TELEPHONE ONLY (NO COMPUTER ACCESS):

- *Call 1-866-469-3239 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada) and when prompted enter the meeting number unique to the specific hearing date:*
 - 8/12/2010 - meeting number: 921 101 613

If you have difficulty joining the meeting, please call the WebEx Technical Support number at 1-866-229-3239. To see if your computer is compatible, visit [<http://support.webex.com/support/system-requirements.html>].

Please be aware that the meeting's WebEx audio and on-screen activity *may be* recorded.



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***PROOF OF SERVICE*
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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Maggie Read, declare that on July 30, 2010, I served and filed copies of the attached Notice of Status Conference, dated July 30, 2010. 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/ricesolar>].

The documents have 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:

(Check all that Apply)

FOR SERVICE TO ALL OTHER PARTIES:

- ☒ sent electronically to all email addresses on the Proof of Service list;
- ☐ by personal delivery;
- ☒ by delivering on this date, for mailing with the United States Postal Service with first-class postage thereon fully prepaid, to the name and address of the person served, for mailing that same day in the ordinary course of business; that the envelope was sealed and placed for collection and mailing on that date to those addresses NOT marked "email preferred."

AND

FOR FILING WITH THE ENERGY COMMISSION:

- ☒ sending an original paper copy and one electronic copy, mailed and emailed respectively, to the address below (***preferred method***);

OR

- ☐ depositing in the mail an original and 12 paper copies, as follows:

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, that I am employed in the county where this mailing occurred, and that I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the proceeding.

Original signed by: _____

Maggie Read

Hearing Adviser's Office