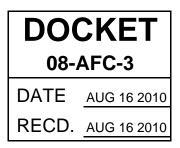
STATE OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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In the Matter of: Application For Certification For the Mirant Marsh Landing Generating Station Project Docket No. 08-AFC-3

STAFF'S COMMENTS ON PRESIDING MEMBER'S PROPOSED DECISION

On July 23, 2010, the Committee for the Application for Certification for the Mirant Marsh Landing Generating Station Project (Committee) published the Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD). The Notice of Availability of the PMPD encouraged parties in the case to file and serve written comments on the PMPD to the Proof of Service List and via e-mail no later than August 16, 2010.

Staff has reviewed the PMPD and the attached Appendix A, *Revised Staff Assessment.* At this time, staff is not recommending any additional changes to the PMPD.

On July 30, 2010, the CAISO Transition Cluster Phase II Interconnection Study *Report* (Phase II Study) was released. Since the Phase II Study was released following the Evidentiary Hearing held on July 1, 2010, and the release of the PMPD, Staff reviewed the Phase II Study and the applicable Condition of Certification (TSE-5) to determine if any changes would be necessary to the PMPD. TSE-5 ensures that the interconnection of the Marsh Landing Generating Station conforms with the applicable engineering, safety and reliability laws, ordinances, regulations and standards, and will not result in any significant adverse impacts on the reliability or stability of the transmission system. Staff determined the PMPD's conclusion that any downstream facilities identified in the Phase II study would be licensed and mitigated by another

agency is still valid, and staff continues to recommend Condition of Certification TSE-5. Therefore, staff is not recommending any additions or changes to the Transmission System Engineering Conditions of Certification.

DATED: August 16, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

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Docket No. 08-AFC-3

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I, Debra Dabney, declare that on June 28, 2010, I served and filed copies of the attached Staff's Prehearing Conference Statement. 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/marshlanding/index.html].

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