



BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE
RICE SOLAR ENERGY POWER PLANT
PROJECT**

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REVISED COMMITTEE SCHEDULING ORDER

For good cause shown during the August 12, 2010, Mandatory Status Conference, the Committee hereby establishes revised scheduling milestones to replace and supersede the milestones set forth in the Committee Order dated June 17, 2010.

These scheduling changes are reflected in the attached ***Revised Committee Schedule***.

Petitions to Intervene to Become a Formal Party

The Energy Commission's Decision on the Rice Solar Power Plant Project will be based on the official evidentiary record developed at the Evidentiary Hearing. Only formal parties (Applicant, Staff, and Intervenor) may present evidence and cross-examine witnesses at the Evidentiary Hearing.

Anyone with an appropriate interest in this project may file a Petition to Intervene and become a formal party. At the Evidentiary Hearing, a formal party may offer testimony and documentary evidence, receive documents filed by other parties, and cross-examine witnesses. However, a formal party must also comply with Committee orders, procedures, and filing requirements, and is subject to discovery and having its own witnesses cross-examined by other parties.

The deadline to file a Petition to Intervene in this case is **Monday, September 13, 2010**. Time extensions may be granted by the Committee only upon a showing of good cause.

How to Intervene

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's office will assist any person or organization interested in preparing a Petition to Intervene. For assistance in this process, contact the Public Adviser's office at (916) 654-4489 or (800) 822-6228 or e-mail: **[publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us]**.

Public Participation and Information

The Energy Commission Public Adviser is available to assist the public in participating in the application review process. For those individuals who require general information on how to participate, please contact the Public Adviser's Office (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]**.

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: **[<http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/ricesolar/index.html>]**.

Dated: August 25, 2010, at Sacramento, California.

Original signed by:

ROBERT B. WEISENMILLER
Presiding Member and Commissioner
Rice Solar AFC Committee

Original signed by:

KAREN DOUGLAS
Chairman and Associate Member
Rice Solar AFC Committee

**REVISED COMMITTEE SCHEDULE
RICE SOLAR ENERGY POWER PROJECT
(09-AFC-10)**

ACTIVITY	DATE
Commission's determination that AFC is complete	12/2/09
Staff files Issues Identification Report & Proposed Schedule	1/20/10
Informational Hearing and Site Visit	1/25/10
Staff/BLM/Western file Data Requests	2/16/10
Staff coordinates with agencies to obtain comments and permit requirements	1/29/10 – 3/8/10
Applicant provides Data Responses	3/8/10
Data Response and Issue Resolution Workshop	3/19/10
Status Conference #1	3/22/10
Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS – Begin 30-Day Scoping Period	3/29/10
Close of Scoping Period	4/28/10
Status Conference #2	5/4/10
Local, state and federal agency draft determinations AQMD files PDOC	6/3/10
Staff Assessment/Draft EIS (SA/DEIS) published	8/31/10
Notice of Availability of DEIS Published in Federal Register	9/10/10
Last Day to File Petition to Intervene	9/13/10
Close of SA Comment Period	9/30/10
SA/DEIS Workshop	Between 9/13/10 – 9/17/10
Local, state and federal agency final determinations AQMD files FDOC	8/10
BA determined adequate by FWS	TBD
Staff Assessment Errata or Addendum published (if necessary)	TBD
Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing	10/13/10 -10/14/10
USFWS issues Biological Opinion	TBD
Close DEIS 90-day comment period	12/9/10
Publish Presiding Members Proposed Decision (PMPD)	11/10
BLM Plan Amendment Protest Period ends; Expedited Governor's review period ends	TBD
Committee Conference on PMPD	12/10
Commission Decision re PMPD	12/10
FEIS distributed; NOA of FEIS in Federal Register	2/11
BLM Record of Decision/Right of Way (ROD/ROW)	TBD

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Maggie Read, declare that on August 25, 2010, I served and filed copies of the attached Revised Scheduling Order, dated August 25, 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