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In the Matter of: ) DOCKET No. 09-AFC-03  
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Mariposa Energy Project ) **Comments on Staff Assessment and**  
) **Supplemental Staff Assessment**  
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Dear Mr. Hoffman,

Section 4.14 of the Staff Assessment, titled "Worker Safety and Fire Protection," states: "Fire support services to the site would be under the jurisdiction of the Alameda County Fire Department (ACFD). Station #8 in Livermore would provide first response to the facility. The response time to the facility would be approximately 30 minutes. The facility may also be serviced by the Tracy Fire Department through a mutual aid agreement (MEP 2009a)."

In the Supplemental Staff Assessment, Intervenor Sarvey states, "Obviously in a true medical emergency or fire a 30 minute response time will be inadequate. In the event of a medical response or fire response Tracy Rural Fire would be the first responder."

Attached is a letter from Fire Division Chief Bramell of the Tracy Fire/South County Fire Authority. The letter confirms that Alameda County has a Mutual Aid Agreement with Tracy Rural Fire Protection District. Further, that Tracy Rural Fire Protection District's closest asset to MEP is the Fire Station in Mountain House, 2.5 miles from the MEP. Also, that Mountain House Community Services District would bear the impact, if any, for the delivery of emergency response to the MEP.



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December 20, 2010

Paul M. Sensibaugh, General Manager  
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Dear Mr. Sensibaugh:

The Tracy Fire Department is in receipt of a Staff Assessment from the California Energy Commission dated November 8, 2010 for the Mariposa Energy Project (MEP). As I am sure you are aware, the MEP is a natural gas-fired, simple cycle peaking facility with a generating capacity of 200 megawatts. The project location is in northeast Alameda County approximately 2.5 miles west of the community of Mountain House in San Joaquin County.

In reviewing the Staff Assessment for public safety impacts, it is noted that the project area falls within the jurisdictional authority of the Alameda County Fire Department. The Staff Assessment further states that the facility may also be serviced by the Tracy Fire Department through a mutual aid agreement.

The current mutual aid agreement with Alameda County is not with the City of Tracy. The mutual aid agreement provides that the Tracy Rural Fire Protection District will aid in firefighting or rescue operations upon request. The fire department unit that is closest to the MEP site is stationed in Mountain House. As such, the Mountain House Community Services District would bear the impact, if any, of delivery of emergency services to the MEP.

The Staff Assessment section titled "Worker Safety and Fire Protection" (pages 4.14-1 through 4.14-14) describes project impacts and mitigation measures. The cumulative impacts and mitigation determined by the report states that the proposed facility will not have a significant direct or incremental impact on the fire department's ability to respond to a fire or medical emergency. As the contract provider to your contractor, the Tracy Rural Fire Protection District, staff believes it is prudent to advise you of the potential for the Mountain House Community Service District's funded resource to respond to emergencies at the MEP site upon the request of the Alameda County Fire Department. If calls for service to the MEP site increase during construction and regular operation,



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your resource could become increasingly unavailable for emergencies in Mountain House.

At present, I am unaware of any proposed mitigation for the impact to Mountain House Community Services District as a result of any potential mutual aid response to the MEP. Although emergency responses to the MEP site would likely be infrequent, an opportunity for mitigation may exist due to these potential responses. The Mountain House Community Services District may want to consider requesting mitigation and/or contracting for additional resources or equipment to facilitate emergency responses to the MEP when requested. To the extent you have questions or wish to discuss this issue further, please feel free to contact me directly at (209) 831-6705 or by e-mail [david.bramell@ci.tracy.ca.us](mailto:david.bramell@ci.tracy.ca.us)

Sincerely,



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Tracy Fire/South County Fire Authority

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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION  
FOR THE **MARIPOSA ENERGY PROJECT**  
(MEP)

**Docket No. 09-AFC-3**

**PROOF OF SERVICE**  
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Mariposa Energy Project )  
DECLARATION OF SERVICE  
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I, Morgan K. Groover declare that on April 8, 2010 I served and filed copies of the attached **Letter and attached letter from Fire Services Provider**, accompanied by a copy of the most recent *Proof of Service* list (most recent version is located on the proceeding's web page) with the Docket Unit. The document has been sent to the Commission **AND** the applicant, as well as the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the *Proof of Service* list), in the following manner:

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**FOR SERVICE TO THE APPLICANT AND ALL OTHER PARTIES:**

sent electronically to all email addresses on the Proof of Service list;

**AND**

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

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

  
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