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**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
PETITION TO ADD ADDITIONAL LOOPS WITHIN THE PLANT BOUNDARY
FOR THE SEGS VIII PROJECT
(88-AFC-1C)**

A petition was filed on January 21, 2011 with California Energy Commission by NextEra Energy Resources, requesting to modify the SEGS VIII Harper Lake Project (88-AFC-1C). The 80-megawatt project was certified by the Energy Commission on March 29, 1989, and began commercial operation in December of 1989. The facility is located near the unincorporated community of Hinkley in San Bernardino County, California.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS

The modifications proposed in the petition would add additional loops of mirrors within the plant boundary on the east side of the SEGS VIII Harper Lake site.

ENERGY COMMISSION STAFF REVIEW AND DETERMINATION

Pursuant to section 1769(a)(2), Title 20, California Code of Regulations, “(w)here staff determines that there is no possibility that the modifications may have a significant effect on the environment, and if the modifications will not result in a change or deletion of a condition adopted by the commission in the final decision or make changes that would cause the project not to comply with any applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, or standards, no commission approval is required...”

Energy Commission staff has determined that approval by the full Commission is not required and the proposed modifications meet the criteria for approval at the staff level because:

- The modification will not have any significant effect on the environment;
- Existing conditions of certification are sufficient to cover the proposed modification without changes to, or deletions of, any conditions of certification; and
- The project as modified will maintain full compliance with applicable LORS.

Any person may file a written objection to staff’s determination within 14 days of the date of this notice on the grounds that the project modification does not meet the criteria set forth in Section 1769(a)(2). All objections must be in writing and must be sent either by U.S. mail, e-mail, or other document delivery service to Dale Rundquist, Compliance Project Manager, at the address shown below:

California Energy Commission
1516 9th Street, MS 2000
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Comments may be submitted by fax to (916) 654-3882, or by e-mail at drundqui@energy.state.ca.us. If no substantive objection is received in writing, the requested project modifications will be deemed approved.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

If you have questions about this notice, please contact Dale Rundquist at (916) 651-2072, or by fax or e-mail using the above information.

Date: June 29, 2011

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