



BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT  
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
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<b>DOCKET</b> 11-SPPE-01
DATE _____
RECD <b>JAN 18 2012</b>

APPLICATION FOR SMALL POWER PLANT  
EXEMPTION FOR THE *SANTA CLARA*  
*SC-1 DATA CENTER*

DOCKET No. 11-SPPE-01

### NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING, SCHEDULE AND FURTHER ORDERS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Committee designated by the Energy Commission to conduct proceedings on the Application for a Small Power Plant Exemption (SPPE) for the **SANTA CLARA SC-1 DATA CENTER, PHASE 2** has scheduled the Evidentiary Hearing as follows:

*The EVIDENTIARY HEARING will take place on:*

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2012**  
Beginning at 11:00 a.m.

**Santa Clara Fire Training Center**  
1900 Walsh Avenue  
Santa Clara, CA 95050  
(Map Attached)



**TELECONFERENCE OPTION:** Parties and the Public may attend the evidentiary hearing in person at the above location or by telephone and/or by computer via our "WebEx" web conferencing system. For details on how to participate by WebEx, please see the "INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING WEBEX TELECONFERENCING USING YOUR COMPUTER AND/OR TELEPHONE" attached to this Notice.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the Committee has established the following schedule:

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>Days from Initial Filing date (11/21/11)</b>
Informational Hearing and Site Visit	January 26, 2012	68
Evidence and Prehearing Statements, including evidence lists and witness lists filed and served	February 13, 2012	84
Last day to Intervene	February 13, 2012	84
Last day for agencies to file comments	February 22, 2012	93
Evidentiary Hearing	February 22, 2012	93
Proposed Decision	March 14, 2012	114
Final Argument before full Commission	March 28, 2012	128
Last Day for Commission Decision	April 2, 2011	135

**Purpose of Evidentiary Hearing on an SPPE Application**

The SPPE process, which incorporates requirements equivalent to the Initial Study process under the California Environmental Quality Act, will examine whether the proposed project will create a substantial adverse impact upon the environment or energy resources. The review process provides a public forum allowing the Applicant, Energy Commission staff, governmental agencies, adjacent landowners, and members of the general public to consider whether the proposed project qualifies for an exemption from the Commission's licensing process.

At the evidentiary hearing, the Applicant shall have the burden of proving that the Santa Clara SC-1 Data Center, Phase 2 will have no substantial adverse impact upon the environment or energy resources to qualify for an exemption from the California Energy Commission's certification process. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1212.)

Local, state, and federal governmental agencies may participate at the Evidentiary Hearing, as necessary. Elected officials and members of the public may present public

comments at these events and/or submit written comments to the Energy Commission's Docket Unit, **NO LATER than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 22, 2012.** (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1940.) Please include "Santa Clara Sc-1 Data Center, Docket No. 11-SPPE-01" on any written comments.

#### **ORDER RE: SUBMISSION OF PREHEARING STATEMENTS**

To facilitate the process, each party shall serve and file a **Prehearing Statement**. Each party's Prehearing Statement shall be provided to and received by the other parties and the Commission's Docket Unit, **NO LATER than 3:00 p.m., Monday, February 13, 2012.** The parties shall e-mail their statements to the Hearing Adviser as well as to the Docket Unit and the parties as indicated on the Proof-of-Service list. The parties shall also submit a **MICROSOFT WORD** version of their statements to the Hearing Adviser via e-mail.

#### ***FAILURE TO FILE A TIMELY PREHEARING STATEMENT MAY PRECLUDE A PARTY FROM SUBMITTING EVIDENCE AT THIS HEARING.***

Each statement shall set forth the following under a separate heading:

- a) The topic areas that remain disputed and require adjudication, and the precise nature of the dispute for each topic;
- b) The identity of each witness sponsored by the party (*note*: witnesses must have professional expertise in the discipline of their testimony); the topic area(s) which each witness will present; a brief summary of the testimony to be offered by each witness; qualifications of each witness; the time required to present direct testimony by each witness; and whether the party seeks to have the witness testify in person or telephonically;
- c) Topic areas upon which a party desires to cross-examine witnesses, a summary of the scope of each such cross-examination (including voir dire of any witness' qualifications), and the time desired for each such cross-examination;
- d) A list identifying exhibits, including declarations, that each party intends to offer into evidence and the technical topics to which they apply; and
- e) For all topics, any proposed modifications to the proposed Conditions of Certification listed in the Staff's Initial Study based upon enforceability, ease of comprehension, and consistency with the evidence.

#### **Format for Presenting Evidence**

The parties shall provide written testimonial and documentary evidence as follows:

1. Each document shall be numbered and identified on an **Exhibit List**. (*Use example attached to this Notice.*)

- Applicant's exhibits shall be numbered consecutively as **Exhibits 1 through 199**.
- Staff's exhibits shall be numbered consecutively as **Exhibits 200 through 299**.

***Copies of the Exhibits shall be provided to the Committee and other parties NO LATER than 3:00 p.m., on Monday, February 13, 2012. Failure to timely exchange exhibits may result in exclusion of evidence.***

***FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE FILING REQUIREMENTS STATED IN THIS ORDER MAY PRECLUDE A PARTY FROM SUBMITTING EVIDENCE AT THIS HEARING.***

### **Petitions to Intervene to Become a Formal Party**

Only formal parties (Applicant, Staff, or Intervenors) may present evidence and cross-examine witnesses at the evidentiary hearing. The Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD) on the Santa Clara Sc-1 Data Center project will be based solely upon the official evidentiary record developed at the evidentiary hearing.

Anyone with an appropriate interest in the Santa Clara Sc-1 Data Center Project may file a Petition to Intervene and become a formal party. At the evidentiary hearing, the formal parties may offer testimony and documentary evidence, receive documents filed by other parties, and cross-examine witnesses. However, a formal party must also comply with all Committee orders, procedures, and filing requirements, and is subject to discovery and having its own witnesses cross-examined by other parties.

To facilitate the participation of all parties and allow for an orderly and efficient evidentiary hearing, **the DEADLINE TO FILE a Petition to Intervene in this case is 3:00 p.m., Monday, February 13, 2012.** (20 Cal. Code Regs., § 1203(f).) Intervenors take the proceedings as they find them at the time their petition is granted. Time extensions will not be granted for new Intervenors to review case materials.

### **Public Adviser and Public Participation**

The Energy Commission invites members of the public and other interested parties to participate either on an informal basis or by intervening in the proceeding. Both types of participation allow written and oral comments. At the informal participation level, written and oral public comments are considered by the commissioners and are part of the record, but are not part of the formal evidentiary record. Intervenors have the right to introduce evidence into the evidentiary record and cross-examine the other parties' witnesses.

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office is available to provide the public with an understanding of a proceeding and to make recommendations for meaningful participation. For assistance, contact Jennifer Jennings, the Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 or 800-822-6228 or e-mail at: [\[publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us\]](mailto:publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us).

### **Information**

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to Robert Worl, Staff Project Manager, at (916) 651-8853, or e-mail: [\[rworl@energy.state.ca.us\]](mailto:rworl@energy.state.ca.us).

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Kenneth Celli, Hearing Officer, at (916) 651-8893 or e-mail: [\[kcelli@energy.state.ca.us\]](mailto:kcelli@energy.state.ca.us).

Media inquiries should be directed to Adam Gottlieb, Acting Assistant Executive Director for Media and Public Communications at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail: [\[mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us\]](mailto:mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us).

If you have a disability and need assistance in order to participate at this hearing, please contact Lou Quiroz at least five days in advance of the hearing at (916) 654-5146 or e-mail at: [\[lquiroz@energy.state.ca.us\]](mailto:lquiroz@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: [\[http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/santaclaraindex.html\]](http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/santaclaraindex.html).

Dated: January 18, 2012, at Sacramento, California.

***Original Signed By:*** \_\_\_\_\_

KAREN DOUGLAS  
Commissioner and Presiding Member  
Santa Clara SPPE Committee

***Original Signed By:*** \_\_\_\_\_

CARLA PETERMAN  
Commissioner and Associate Member  
Santa Clara SPPE Committee



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**STEP 3:** Enter the Meeting Password (case sensitive): **SPPEsc-1**

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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.



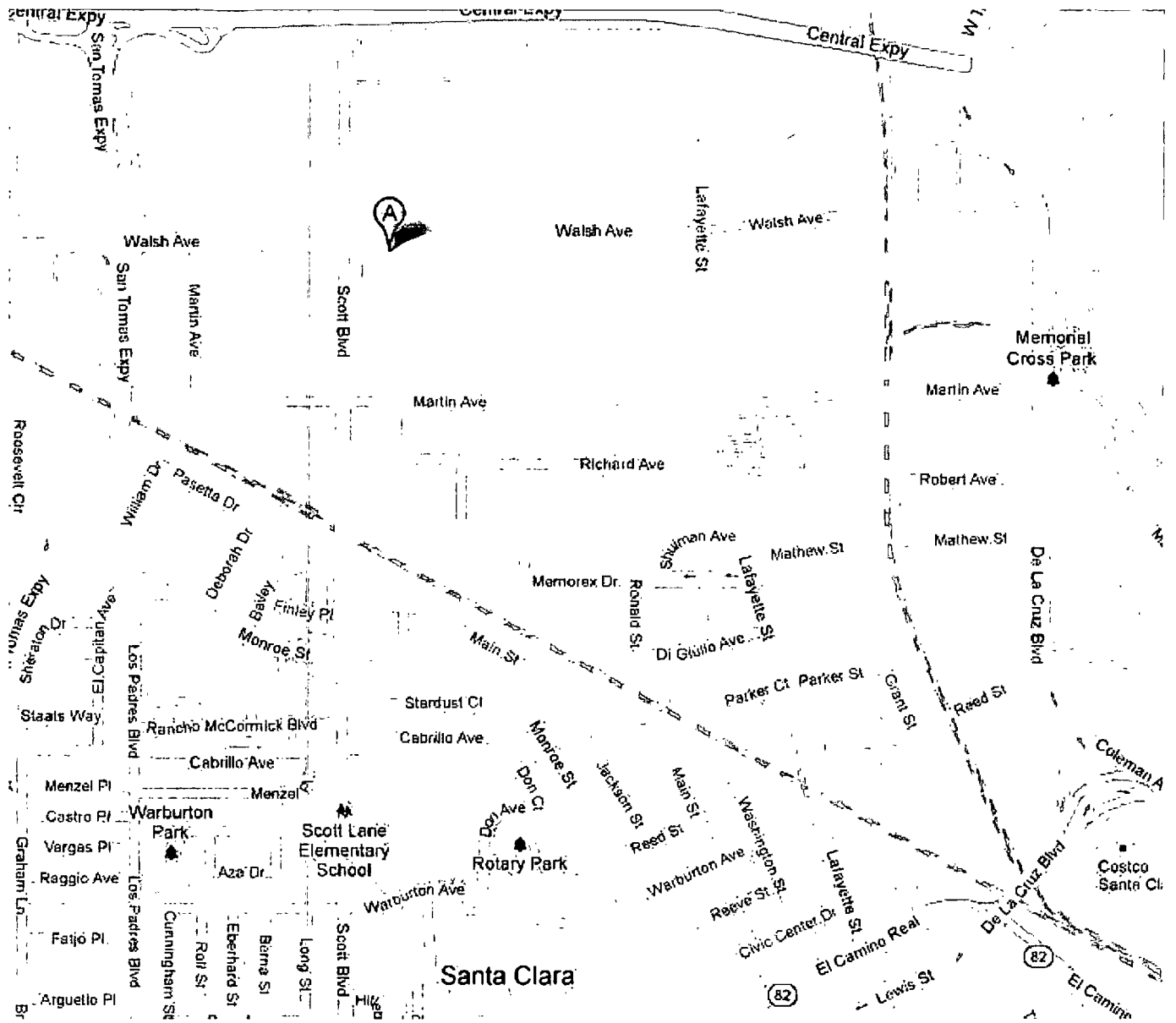
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**SAMPLE EXHIBIT LIST**

**NOTE:** The format of the samples provided below is equally applicable to all parties. However, given the likely differences in the documentary evidence submitted by the parties, the samples illustrate how to address specific types of evidence that might be unique to each party. **SUBMIT ALL EXHIBIT LISTS IN MICROSOFT WORD FORMAT.**

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Brief Description</b>	<b>Offered</b>	<b>Admitted</b>
<b>APPLICANT'S EXHIBITS 1-199</b>			
<b>1</b>	Application for Small Power Plant Exemption (Nov. 21, 2011)		
<b>2</b>	Initial Study, Santa Clara SC-1 Data Center (Feb. 2008)		
<b>COMMISSION STAFF'S EXHIBITS 200-299</b>			
<b>200</b>	Staff's Initial Study		
<b>201</b>	Staff's Supplemental Analysis		



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