

BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 1516 NINTH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA. 95814

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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE THE HIDDEN HILLS SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM

DOCKET No. 11-AFC-02

DOCKET 11-AFC-2 DATE APR 18 2012 RECD. APR 18 2012

Notice of Cancellation of Status Conference and Setting of New Status Conferences

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Committee assigned to conduct these proceedings has **cancelled** the Status Conference previously set for Tuesday, May 22, 2012.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Committee has scheduled three additional public Status Conferences to discuss the proposed project as indicated in the table below:

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	
Monday, June 4, 2012	1:00 p.m.	All Status Conferences will be held at the California Energy Commission's Hearing Room A, 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA, 95814. (see map below)	
Monday, July 9, 2012	1:00 p.m.		
Thursday, August 16, 2012	10:00 a.m.		

TELECONFERENCE OPTION: Parties and the Public may attend the Status Conference 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.

Background

On August 5, 2011, Hidden Hills Solar Holdings, LLC, submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to construct and operate the Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System (HHSEGS). HHSEGS would be located on approximately 3,277 acres of privately owned land leased in Inyo County, California, immediately adjacent to the Nevada border. The project site is approximately 18 miles south of Pahrump, Nevada, and approximately 45 miles west of Las Vegas, Nevada. HHSEGS would be comprised of two solar fields and associated facilities. Each solar plant would generate 250 megawatts (MW), for a total net output of 500 MW.

On October 5, 2011, the Energy Commission began review of the proposed HHSEGS AFC. The the Committee assigned to conduct these proceedings held a Site Visit, Informational Hearing and Scoping Meeting on November 3, 2011 in Tecopa, California to inform the public about the project and to invite public participation in the review process. At that hearing, the Applicant requested that the Committee conduct periodic status hearings. The Committee issued a Scheduling Order dated November 16, 2011 which scheduled five Status Conferences on a monthly basis beginning with the first Status Conference on January 24, 2012. This Scheduling Order cancels the May 22, 2012 Status Conference and adds three more status conferences. An agenda of the Status Conferences is attached to this notice. The Scheduling Order as well as notices and transcripts of the proceedings can be found at:

http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hiddenhills/index.html

Purpose of Status Conference

This Status Conference is sponsored by the Energy Commission for the primary purpose of informing the Committee, the parties, and the public about the project's progress to date in the AFC process. The Status Conference is an opportunity to resolve procedural disputes and remove obstacles to the efficient processing of the application.

Closed Sessions

During any of the committee conferences or hearings, the Committee may, pursuant to Government Code section 11126(c)(3), temporarily adjourn the meeting to a closed session to deliberate on matters before the Committee for decision such as the preparation of a proposed decision, motions and other matters then pending before the Committee.

Public Adviser and Public Participation

Members of the public are welcome to attend and offer comments at the Status Conference. It is not necessary to be an Intervenor to participate in the public process. Comments may also be submitted in writing. Written comments may be submitted for posting on the docket for the proceeding by handing them directly to the Public Adviser, e-mailing them to publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us or to dockets@energy.ca.gov, or by U.S. Mail to:

California Energy Commission Dockets Unit Docket number: 11-AFC-2 1516 Ninth Street, MS-14 Sacramento, CA 95614

Please identify "HIDDEN HILLS SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM, Docket No. 11-AFC-2" on any e-mailed or written comments.

PLEASE NOTE: your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g. your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the viewable public record. Additionally, this information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and other search engines.

The Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office 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 at (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 this event, contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 or e-mail: lquiroz@energy.ca.gov.

Information

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Kenneth Celli, the Hearing Adviser, at (916) 651-8893, or e-mail: kcelli@energy.ca.gov.

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to Mike Monasmith, Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-4894, or e-mail: mmonasmi@energy.ca.gov.

Media inquiries should be directed to the Office of Media and Public Communications at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail: mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov.

Information regarding the status of the project, as well as notices and other relevant documents pertaining to this proceeding, may be viewed on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at:

http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hiddenhills/documents/index.html

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

Original Signed By:

KAREN DOUGLAS Commissioner and Presiding Member HHSEGS AFC Committee

Original Signed By:

CARLA PETERMAN
Commissioner and Associate Member
HHSEGS AFC Committee

Mailed to Lists: POS 7401; 7402; 7403; 7404

Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System AFC Committee Status Conference Agenda

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Meeting Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Report from Applicant, Staff and Intervenors regarding the status of the Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System AFC.
- 3. Public Comment

Members of the public and other interested persons and entities may speak up to three minutes on a matter appearing on this agenda.

4. Closed Session (if necessary)

Committee closed session consideration of the following Item:

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE HIDDEN HILLS SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM. Deliberation by the Committee on any matters submitted for decision by the Committee including, but not limited to pending motions and scheduling. (Contact: Kenneth Celli)

The Committee will adjourn to closed session in accordance with Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3), which allows a state body, including a delegated committee, to hold a closed session to deliberate on a decision to be reached in a proceeding the state body was required by law to conduct.

5. Adjourn

Agency Contact: Kenneth Celli, Hearing Adviser, phone: (916) 651-8893, or e-mail: **[kcelli@energy.state_ca.us].**





INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING WEBEX TELECONFERENCING USING YOUR COMPUTER AND/OR TELEPHONE

STATUS CONFERENCE DATE	MEETING NUMBER	PASSWORD
Monday, June 4, 2012	929 251 684	hhsegs#1
Monday, July 9, 2012	924 163 257	hhsegs#1
Thursday, August 16, 2012	926 593 966	hhsegs#1

STEP 1: Go to https://energy.webex.com

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STEP 3: Enter the Meeting Password: hhsegs#1

STEP 4: After you log-in, a prompt will appear on-screen asking for **your** phone number. In the **Number box**, type your area code and phone number, then click "OK." **You will receive a call back on your phone that will carry the audio portion of the meeting and enable you to be heard at the conference**. International callers can use the "Country/Region" button to help make their connection.

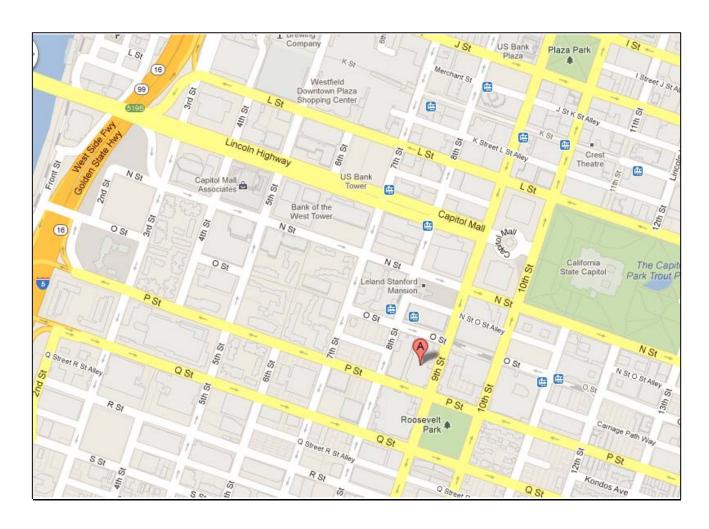
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TO LOG-IN USING A TELEPHONE ONLY (WITHOUT COMPUTER ACCESS): Call 1-866-469-3239 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada) and, when prompted, Enter the **Meeting Number** from the table (above) for the Status Conference you wish to participate in.

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.

Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System AFC Committee Status Conferences Dates, Times and Location

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California Energy Commission Hearing Room A 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 (Wheelchair Accessible)



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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, RoseMary Avalos, declare that on April 18, 2012, I served and filed copies of the attached NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF STATUS CONFERENCE AND SETTING OF NEW STATUS CONFERENCES, dated April 18, 2012. This document is accompanied by the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at: www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hiddenhills/index.html.

The document has been sent to the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the Proof of Service list) and to the Commission's Docket Unit or Chief Counsel, as appropriate, in the following manner:

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Χ	by sending an electronic copy to the e-mail address below (preferred method); OR
	by depositing an original and 12 paper copies in the mail with the U.S. Postal Service with first class postage thereon fully prepaid, as follows:
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OR, if filing a Petition for Reconsideration of Decision or Order pursuant to Title 20, § 1720:

Served by delivering on this date one electronic copy by e-mail, and an original paper copy to the Chief Counsel at the following address, either personally, or for mailing with the U.S. Postal Service with first class postage thereon fully prepaid:

> California Energy Commission Michael J. Levy, Chief Counsel 1516 Ninth Street MS-14 Sacramento, CA 95814 mlevy@energy.state.ca.us

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California 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: RoseMary Avalos Hearing Adviser's Office