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Re: In the Matter of Quail Brush Generation Project, Docket No. 11-

AFC-03: Status Report by HomeFed Fanita Rancho, LLC

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the June 21, 2012 Revised Committee Scheduling Order, this letter constitutes HomeFed Fanita Rancho, LLC's ("HomeFed") Status Report. On July 6, 2012, the Committee granted HomeFed's Petition to Intervene. HomeFed still awaits the Applicant's Supplement 3 to the AFC, which was due June 22, 2012, as this will trigger events such as data requests, status conferences, and public workshops that HomeFed will be participating in. Until Supplement 3 becomes available, however, HomeFed's status will be "on hold."

Although the Committee is aware of it, HomeFed also notes that on July 19, 2012, the City of San Diego Planning Commission voted to deny the Applicant's application to initiate an amendment to the East Elliott Community Plan to re-designate open space land as industrial. HomeFed provided comments voicing its strong opposition to the application, and a copy of its letter to the Planning Commission is attached hereto for the Committee's ease of reference. HomeFed awaits notice of an anticipated appeal by the Applicant of the Planning Committee's action to the City Council, and expects that it will oppose approval by the City Council as well.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> HomeFed notes that it has received the Applicant's August 6, 2012 Biological Resources Survey Report, which refers to and describes the Supplement 3 design--although none of the parties have received the actual Supplement 3 document.

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If the Committee has any questions or requires any additional information, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

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> Re: Quail Brush Community Plan Amendment Initiation; Project No. 270282; June 28, 2012 Agenda Item No. 7

Dear Chairperson Naslund and Planning Commission Members:

This firm represents HomeFed Fanita Rancho, LLC ("HomeFed"), the owner and developer of the 2,600 acre master-planned community known as Fanita, located approximately 2 ½ miles from the proposed power plant site. The City of Santee has approved the development of Fanita to include approximately 1400 residential units, 15 acres of commercial uses, a community center, 10 acre lake, fire station, as well as a native open space preserve of more than 1400 acres, among other uses.

HomeFed wishes to express its strong opposition to the proposed Community Plan Amendment Initiation proposed by the applicant, Quail Brush Genco, LLC. Contrary to the recommendation contained in the staff report, the proposed conversion of open space to industrial purposes does not satisfy the three initiation criteria contained in General Plan Policy LU-D.10. The staff report itself acknowledges that the initiation conflicts with General Plan and East Elliot Community Plan goals regarding the preservation of land designated for Open Space.

The proposal to construct a power plant with 11 stacks, each 100 feet in height, at this location will have dramatic negative visual and aesthetic impacts upon the surrounding communities, including the future residents of Fanita. Moreover, the proposed industrial use will result in a host of negative impacts to natural resources and subject nearby residents to potential adverse health consequences. Simply put, this is the wrong place for an industrial power plant.

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For these reasons, HomeFed urges the Planning Commission to deny the requested Community Plan Amendment initiation.

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DOCKET NO. 11-AFC-03 PROOF OF SERVICE (Revised 8/14/2012)

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