



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

NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE

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.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Committee assigned to conduct these proceedings has scheduled a public Status Conference to discuss the proposed project as follows:

The STATUS CONFERENCE will be conducted on:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2012

Beginning at 9:30 a.m.

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

HEARING ROOM A

1516 NINTH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA, 95814.

(see map below)



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 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, Environmental Scoping Meeting and Informational Hearing 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 conferences. The Committee has held seven status conferences between the first status conference on January 24, 2012 and the most recent on August 16, 2012. 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. Attached is a draft schedule for the remainder of the project for purposes of discussion at the Status Conference. An agenda of the Status Conference is attached to this Notice as well.

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.ca.gov or to docket@energy.ca.gov, or by U.S. Mail to:

California Energy Commission
Docket Unit
Docket number: 11-AFC-02
1516 Ninth Street, MS-4
Sacramento, CA 95614

Please identify "**HIDDEN HILLS SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM, Docket No. 11-AFC-02**" 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.ca.gov.

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate in this event, contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 or e-mail: lou.quiroz@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: ken.celli@energy.ca.gov.

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to Mike Monasmith, Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-4894 or e-mail: mike.monasmith@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: September 27, 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: ken.celli@energy.ca.gov.

DRAFT PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR HHSEGS

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>INTERVAL IN WEEKS</u>
Final Staff Assessment (FSA)	10/19/12	0
Applicant Files Testimony	11/2/12	2 from FSA
Staff FSA Workshop	Before 11/9/12	3 from FSA
Mandatory Status Conference	11/15/12	4 from FSA
Intervenors File Testimony	11/21/12	5 from FSA
All Parties File Rebuttal Testimony	11/30/12	6 from FSA
All Parties File Prehearing Conference Statements	12/7/12	7 from FSA
Staff files Statement of Unresolved Issues 1718.5(c)	12/7/12	7 from FSA
Prehearing Conference	12/13/12	8 from FSA
Last Day to File Petition to Intervene	12/13/12	8 from FSA
Evidentiary Hearings (EH)	1/15/13 – 1/18/13	13 from FSA
All Parties File Opening Briefs	2/8/13	3 from EH
All Parties File Reply Briefs	2/15/13	4 from FSA
Presiding Members Proposed Decision (PMPD) published	3/14/13	8 from EH
Committee Conference on PMPD	4/11/13	4 from PMPD
Close of public comment period on PMPD	4/15/13	4 from PMPD
Errata/Revisions to PMPD	TBD	TBD
Final Adoption Hearing by the California Energy Commission	TBD	TBD

FSA = Final Staff Assessment

EH = Evidentiary Hearings

PMPD = Presiding Members Proposed Decision

TBD = To Be Determined



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



STATUS CONFERENCE DATE	MEETING NUMBER	PASSWORD
Thursday, November 15, 2012	928 706 961	hhsegs#1

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

STEP 2: Enter the **Meeting Number** from the table (above) for the Status Conference you wish to participate in. (928 706 961)

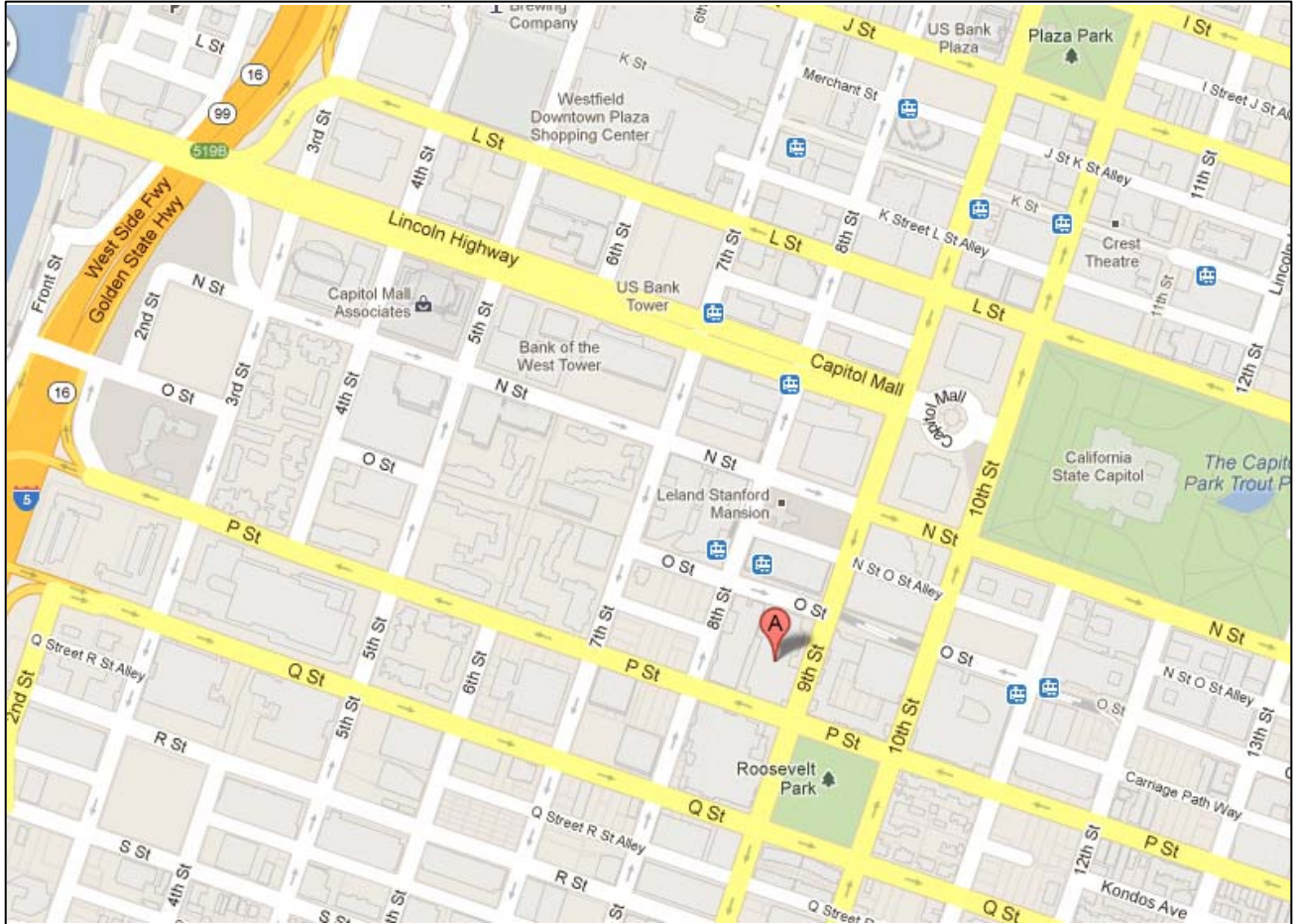
STEP 3: Enter the Meeting Password: **hhsegs#1**

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.** International callers can use the "Country/Region" button to help make their connection.

TO LOG-IN USING A TELEPHONE NUMBER WITH AN EXTENSION: follow Step 1 through Step 3, but after you log-in, when the prompt asks for your phone number, click "CANCEL." Then call **1-866-469-3239** (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada). When prompted, enter the **Meeting Number** above and your unique Attendee ID number which is listed in the top left area of your computer screen after you login.

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.

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Jacqueline Clay, declare that on September 27, 2012, I served and filed copies of the attached NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE, dated September 27, 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:

(Check all that Apply)

For service to all other parties:

- X Served electronically to all e-mail addresses on the Proof of Service list;
- Served by delivering on this date, either personally, or for mailing with the U.S. Postal Service with first-class postage thereon fully prepaid, to the name and address of the person served, for mailing that same day in the ordinary course of business; that the envelope was sealed and placed for collection and mailing on that date to those addresses marked **"hard copy required"** or where no e-mail address is provided.

AND

For filing with the Docket Unit at the Energy Commission:

- X 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:

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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:

Jacqueline Clay
Hearing Advisers Office