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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE RIO MESA SOLAR
ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM
(SEGS)

DOCKET NO. 11-AFC-04

**REQUEST FOR COMMENT DEADLINE EXTENSION ON
PRELIMINARY STAFF ASSESSMENT
INTERVENOR CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

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Intervenor Center for Biological Diversity respectfully requests that the comment deadline on the Rio Mesa Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) be extended to December 7, 2012. This deadline would allow an additional fifteen days to more comprehensively review the over 300 pages on biological resources, water supply, soils and surface water, and other sections that are of great concern to us. The PSA, Part B, which contains the biological resources section was released on October 15, and alone contains over 200 pages of detailed information on the impacts to and proposed mitigations for biological resources. The short 30-day comment period is inadequate to evaluate the complex issues of the environmental impacts that this project proposes. Therefore we request that an additional fifteen working days be provided for the public and intervenors to submit comments on this very important document.

We also request that the proposed workshop addressing biological resources be scheduled on November 28, so that a more thorough and comprehensive discussion of these issues occurs at the workshop.

Date: October 30, 2012

respectfully submitted,



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