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ENERGY COMMISSION STAFF MOTION TO

(1) WITHDRAW MOTIONS
for
SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM,
EXTENSION OF TIME FOR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY
or
TO STRIKE TESTIMONY

And

(2) MODIFY ORDER RE EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS

I. INTRODUCTION

On February 1, 2013, Energy Commission staff (Staff) filed a *Motion for Subpoena Duces Tecum and Motion for Extension of Time for Rebuttal Testimony, or, in the Alternative, Motion to Strike Testimony (Motion for Subpoena)* in this proceeding. This *Motion for Subpoena* was filed primarily to obtain information from the Applicant about potential impacts on avian life from concentrated solar flux at the proposed facility. Since filing the *Motion for Subpoena*, the Applicant has agreed to provide the information sought by Staff. The information would be presented and discussed at Staff's previously-noticed workshop on the issue of impacts of solar flux, which is to be held on February 11, 2013. This commitment by the Applicant is subject to certain limitations and with the expectation of additional time to prepare and respond to rebuttal testimony on the avian solar flux issue in light of the information presented at the upcoming Staff workshop.

Accordingly, Staff respectfully requests the Presiding Member exercise her authority under title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 1203(c), to:

- (1) allow Staff to withdraw its Motion for Subpoena without prejudice, and
- (2) Issue an order allowing additional time as agreed to by Staff and the Applicant for all parties to this proceeding to file rebuttal testimony, and the Applicant to file sur-rebuttal testimony, on the solar flux issue.

II. BASIS FOR THIS MOTION

The Applicant has now agreed to produce its expert Mr. Gary Santolo and his documents at Staff's workshop on February 11, 2013. This commitment is reflected in a letter of agreement from counsel for the Applicant submitted to the Presiding Member, dated

February 6, 2013, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A. This commitment from the Applicant, accepted in good faith, obviates the need at this time for Staff's *Motion for Subpoena*.

Staff and the Applicant believe additional time is warranted for parties to the proceeding to prepare rebuttal testimony, and the Applicant to prepare sur-rebuttal testimony, on the solar flux issues as they pertain to the flux study conducted by Mr. Santolo.

A proposed order is attached for the convenience of the Presiding Member.

III. DECLARATION

I declare, under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 6, 2013, in Sacramento, California.

Richard C. Ratliff, Staff Counsel IV

Pippin C. Brehler, Senior Staff Counsel

and c. Rattiff

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Exhibit A

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February 6, 2013

Commissioner Karen Douglas Hearing Officer Ken Celli Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System (11-AFC-2) California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Notice of Agreement Between Staff and the Applicant Regarding the February 11, 2013 Workshop.

Dear Commissioner Douglas and Hearing Officer Celli:

We are writing to notify the Committee that Staff and the Applicant have come to an agreement regarding the February 11, 2013 workshop. Staff and the Applicant have agreed as follows:

- Applicant agrees to have Gary Santolo at the workshop and that he will answer reasonable, relevant questions regarding the tests described in his testimony;
- Applicant agrees that Gary Santolo will produce photographs taken as part of the tests for inspection by Staff, government agency representatives and a representative of each formal intervenor at the workshop; provided, however, that Staff and Applicant agree that, due to the nature of the photographs and the potential for abuse of them, the photographs will not be available for inspection by persons other than those specified above and neither Staff nor Parties or other person or entity will obtain custody of or otherwise record or copy the photographs, nor will the photographs be submitted to the Docket or admissible in this proceeding;
- Applicant agrees that Gary Santolo will also produce the following documents at the workshop which will be submitted to the Docket:
 - O Notes regarding the tests (with the understanding that there are no notes specifically addressing the placement of the thermocouples); and
 - Notes/records of the thermocouple data, including records beyond 5 seconds;

- Staff agrees to withdraw its Motion for a Subpoena Duces Tecum and Motion for Extension of Time for Rebuttal Testimony or in the Alternative Motion to Strike Testimony;
- Optional Rebuttal Testimony addressing the Santolo Report will be due by all parties on February 15, 2013;
- Optional Sur-rebuttal testimony by the Applicant to the Rebuttal Testimony filed by other parties will be due on or before February 20, 2013;
- Both Staff and Applicant agree that no changes to any other dates in the December 21, 2012 Scheduling Order are necessary; and
- Both Staff and Applicant will advocate for the schedule set forth in the December 21, 2012 Scheduling Order without any further modification.

Please contact me at 916-447-2166 if you have any questions regarding this agreement.

Sincerely,

ELLISON, SCHNEIDER & HARRIS L.L.P.

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[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO

(1) WITHDRAW MOTIONS for SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM, EXTENSION OF TIME FOR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY or TO STRIKE TESTIMONY

And

(2) MODIFY ORDER RE EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS

For the reasons stated in the Energy Commission Staff's *Motion to (1) Withdraw Motions for Subpoena Duces Tecum, Extension of Time for Rebuttal Testimony, or to Strike Testimony, and (2) Modify Order re Evidentiary Hearings*, filed herein February 5, 2013, the Hidden Hills Presiding Member hereby adopts this Order.

Staff Motions for Subpoena Duces Tecum, Extension of Time for Rebuttal Testimony, or to Strike Testimony, filed herein on February 1, 2013, are withdrawn without prejudice.

Further, the Committee's Notice of Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing and Order, December 21, 2012, is hereby modified to allow:

- Optional Rebuttal Testimony addressing the avian impacts from solar flux issues will be due by all parties on February 15, 2013;
- Optional Sur-rebuttal testimony by the Applicant to the Rebuttal Testimony filed by other parties will be due on or before February 20, 2013;

Dated:	
	KAREN DOUGLAS
	Commissioner and Presiding Member
	HHSEGS AFC Committee



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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE HIDDEN HILLS SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, <u>Pamela Fredieu</u>, declare that on <u>February 6, 2013</u>, I served and filed copies of the attached <u>Energy Commission</u> <u>Staff Motion to (1) Withdraw Motions for Subpoena Duces Tecum, Extension of Time for Rebuttal Testimony or To Strike Testimony and (2) Modify Order Re Evidentiary Hearings, dated <u>February 6, 2013</u>. 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.</u>

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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	e under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, that I ployed in the county where this mailing occurred, and that I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the ling.

Legal Secretary