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Subject: Re: Hidden Hill Solar Electric Generating System; Docket No. 11-AFC-2; Petition to Intervene

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Greetings-

I do not oppose the Petition to Intervene by Southern Inyo Fire Protection District but **STRONGLY OPPOSE** its request to move the Hearing location from Shoshone to Independence for the following reasons;

1. The newly proposed Hearing location in Independence is much, much farther from the proposed project site than Shoshone. As such, it may reduce and/or prevent local participation from those most likely to be directly affected by the proposed project.

2. There were already previous planning discussions regarding the Hearing location that occurred prior to the final selection of the Shoshone location many weeks ago. The SIFPD has been involved in ongoing discussions with the Applicant for several months and has been listed as an Interested Agency in these proceedings since 9/20/12 - but failed to formally file for a Petition To Intervene until the very last minute. The SIFPD could have been part of the planning/scheduling process if it had Petitioned to Intervene at an earlier date, as has been highly encouraged by Hearing Officer Celli at several junctures throughout these proceedings.

The SIFPD decision to file a Petition to Intervene and concurrently request to move the Hearing location several hundred miles away at this late date is not timely as well as burdensome to my own planning and scheduling efforts.

3. I have already secured the necessary days off from my employer to attend the hearings in Shoshone. This time did not include or account for additional travel time or expenses to attend the Hearing in Independence instead.

4. There should be sufficient lodging available within a 30 mile radius of Shoshone if all lodging options are considered in Tecopa, Shoshone, Pahrump. If Las Vegas is included (90 miles), ample flights and lodging is available.

5. However, I am extremely sympathetic and in agreement with the Petition's argument that the Shoshone location lacks suitable infrastructure to accommodate WebEx. This was a previous concern of mine that I had relayed during former discussions as I am strongly supportive of maximizing opportunities for public participation. For the record, my first choice for the location of the Hearings during prior planning and scheduling discussions was Pahrump due its proximity to the site and its ability to support WebEx. I would continue to be supportive of using Pahrump as an alternative location if it allows a reasonable compromise to accommodate SIFPD and WebEx to support public participation. It also may be possible that those required to lodge in California for reimbursement could lodge in Tecopa and Shoshone

and still attend the Hearings in Pahrump. However, if this is not feasible, then the Hearing location should continue to remain as scheduled, in Shoshone, not Independence.

Sincerely,
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The Center for Biological Diversity does not oppose the Petition to Intervene by Southern Inyo Fire Protection District and supports the request to move the hearings to a more accessible location.

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