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#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE HIDDEN HILLS SOLAR ELECTRIC **GENERATING SYSTEM** 

Docket No. 11-AFC-02

#### INTERVENOR MACDONALD'S RESPONSE TO **ENERGY COMMISSION STAFF** MOTION TO CORRECT EXHIBIT NUMBERS AND **SUBMIT ADDITIONAL EXHIBITS 304-324**

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

On February 23, 2013, Energy Commission Staff filed a Motion to Correct Exhibit Numbers and Submit Additional Exhibits 304-324. According to Section III. STAFF AND APPLICANT HAVE MET AND CONFERRED, Applicant has agreed in principle that additional exhibits may be introduced, so long as any party may do so by March 1, 2013, and all parties have an opportunity to review and object to the proposed exhibits. Applicant and Staff proposed discussing this motion and related issues at the Prehearing Conference on February 26, 2013.

#### II. ADDITIONAL EXHIBITS 760-763

At the Prehearing Conference on February 26, 2013, the Committee did not rule on the Motion. As of February 27, 2013, the Committee did not rule on the Motion. Though it is understood that the Committee has yet to grant the proposed motion, due to the agreed upon deadline of March 1, 2013 for all parties to submit additional exhibits, it is necessary to respond and present four additional relevant exhibits at this time should the Committee choose to grant the Motion.

#### A. Exhibit 760: Unmitigated Fugitive Dust At Ivanpah SEGS

On February 23, 2013, photos were taken of the Ivanpah SEGS capturing large, visible plumes of unmitigated fugitive dust being blown across the power block area. These photos were not made available to me until February 27, 2013, and therefore, could not have been presented to the Committee in any previous testimony and/or exhibits. These photos provide factual evidence regarding the unmitigated fugitive dust and adverse air quality impacts resulting from a identical facility design by the same Applicant. Therefore, it has significant relevance to local residents, public health and environmental justice issues related to the construction and operation of the proposed HHSEGS.

Since these photos are of an almost identical facility designed by Applicant and monitored by the CEC, their admission as evidence will not impose any prejudice on the Applicant and will greatly assist the public and the Committee during the HHSEGS AFC decision making process.

#### B. Exhibit 761: Heliostat/Mirror Field At Ivanpah SEGS

On February 27, 2013, Ivanpah Solar website published the article, "Ivanpah Project Reaches First Flux Milestone", which presented a never-before-seen photo of the first semi-operational heliostat/mirror field. Since it is the first utility scale heliostat/mirror field of its kind, it is relevant to facts associated with the proposed HHSEGS's facility design, project description, mirror shading, mirror placement, performance, output, reliability, efficiency, operational maintenance and potential operational costs.

This photo was not made publicly available until February 27, 2013, and therefore, could not have been presented to the Committee in any previous testimony and/or exhibits. This photo provides factual evidence of the same facility design that will also be implemented at the proposed HHSEGS project site. Admission of this photo as evidence will not impose any prejudice on the Applicant and will greatly assist the public and the Committee during the decision making process by providing a realistic visual image of the proposed heliostat/mirror fields that are relevant for consideration of the proposed HHSEGS AFC.

#### C. Exhibit 762: KEOL Resources International: Availability Map

KEOL Resources International, a community outreach representative and consultant for Applicant(1), has prepared a map of available commercial properties in the vicinity of the proposed

<sup>(1)</sup> See Motion To Terminate Application for Certification For the HHSEGS, Exhibit IX, KEOL Resources International Introduction Letter, May 10, 2011, TN# 68693.

HHSEGS with prices ranging from \$55,000 to \$650,000 for 2.5 acres to 30 acres, respectively. In the event KEOL Resource International's map of potential commercial properties adjacent to the proposed project site may impose prejudice on the Applicant, its potential relevance to growth inducing socioeconomic, biological and cultural impacts under the substantive requirements of CEQA and Title 20 should weigh in favor of serving the public interest as its admission as evidence can greatly assist the Committee in facilitating informed decision regarding the surrounding environment during the HHSEGS AFC review process.

#### D. Exhibit 763: KEOL Resources International Website Facsimile

KEOL Resources International also provides their opinion that if the VEA Transmission

Infrastructure is approved, it could "very well turn the Pahrump Valley into the strategic center of a new alternative energy revolution" as well as proclaiming their belief that, "the once sleepy Golden Ridge/Charleston View area is right in the heart of a potential energy and cultural revolution".

In the event KEOL Resource International's opinions regarding a energy and cultural revolution in the Pahrump Valley and Charleston View area may impose prejudice on the Applicant, its potential relevance to growth inducing socioeconomic, biological and cultural impacts under the substantive requirements of CEQA and Title 20 should weigh in favor of serving the public interest as its admission as evidence can greatly assist the Committee in facilitating informed decision making regarding the surrounding environment during the HHSEGS AFC review process.

III. CONCLUSION

Based on the stipulations to all parties outlined in the Energy Commission's Staff Motion To

Correct Exhibit Numbers and Submit Additional Exhibits 304-324, Section III, I have right to

submit additional exhibits for consideration by the Committee. The Presiding Member may

order the proceedings and allow introduction of evidence. The exhibits I seek to introduce here

reflect evidence in the record and would greatly enhance factual, relevant and potentially

significant evidence to be included in the record for the Committee's consideration of the

proposed HHSEGS should the Committee grant Staff's motion.

V. DECLARATION

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: February 28, 2013

Respectfully submitted by,

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#### ADDITIONAL EXHIBIT SUBMISSIONS PER SECTION III

# IVANPAH SEGS FUGITIVE DUST PLUMES **EXHIBIT 760**

#### **Photo 1: Ivanpah SEGS**

Large, fugitive dust plumes are highly visible blowing across the Ivanpah SEGS power block at a reported wind speed of 15-20 mph.
Photo courtesy of Basin & Range Watch. 2/23/13



**Photo 2: Ivanpah SEGS** 

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Photo courtesy of Basin & Range Watch. 2/23/13



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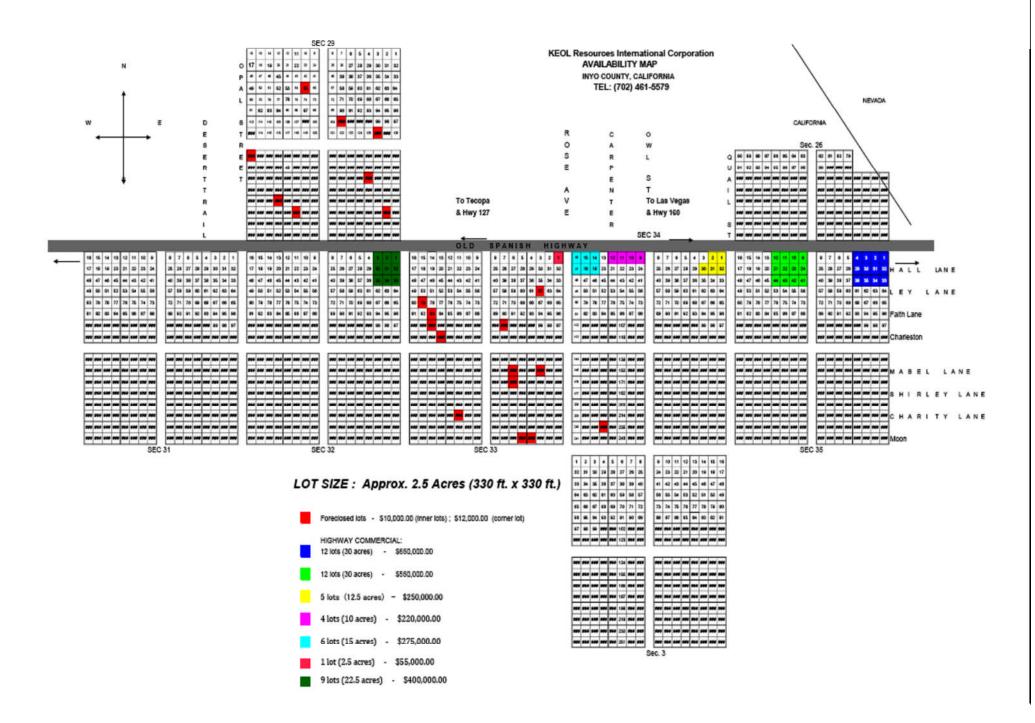
# IVANPAH SEGS: HELIOSTAT/MIRROR FIELD EXHIBIT 761

Photo 1
Ivanpah SEGS Heliostat/Mirror Field posted on 2/27/13.
Available at: http://ivanpahsolar.com/ivanpah-project-reaches-first-flux-milestone



#### ADDITIONAL EXHIBIT SUBMISSIONS PER SECTION III

# KEOL RESOURCES INTERNATIONAL AVAILABILITY MAP: INYO COUNTY, CA EXHIBIT 762



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# KEOL RESOURCES INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE FACSIMILE EXHIBIT 763

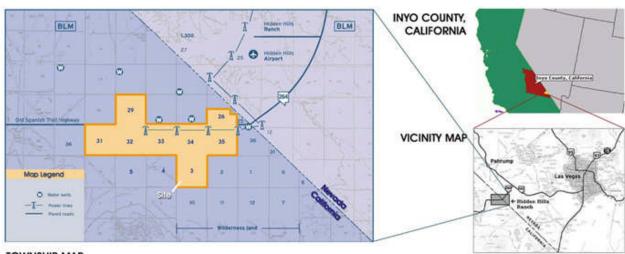


#### Land For Sale

Golden Ridge Ranchos and Charleston View Pahrump Valley, Inyo County, California

#### Links

- Inyo County, CA
- Pahrump, Nevada
- St. Therese Mission
- BrightSource Energy Hidden Hills SEGS
- Valley Electric Association
- Inyo-Mono Title Company



#### TOWNSHIP MAP

APN:	04849225	Tax Address:		
12-Digit APN:	048-492-25	Tax City :		
SFL Code:		Tax State:	California	
General Plan Code:	REC	Tax Zip: Physical Address:	60441 Spring Valley Rancho Spring Valley Rancho	
Multi:	-	Physical City:		
Zoning:	O5-40	Lot Sq. Ft.: Lot Acres:	0 2.5 2005	
Multi Zoning:	-	Assessment Year:		
Short Zoning:	OS-40			





In 2006, Forbes Magazine and the Wall Street Journal identified Pahrump, Nevada as America's fastest growing township. This phenomenal growth was attributed to it's proximity and access to neighboring Las Vegas as well as its abundant resources.

Although growth in the Pahrump Valley slowed during the recent economic meltdown there are positive signs of an impending rebound. Population actually increased in 2011. Do a little due-diligence and you will discover that there are serious efforts underway to approve a new power corridor that will pave the way for tens of billions of dollars in direct investments to the Valley.

This VEA Transmission Infrastructure, (click on the link Valley Electric Association), once approved, could very well turn the Pahrump Valley into the strategic center of a new alternative energy revolution.

#### The Best Kept Secret in the Valley, "The California side of the Pahrump Valley."

Most people have no idea that only 38 miles outside of Las Vegas, Nevada, (16 miles closer to Las Vegas than Pahrump Township on the California side of the Valley) lies an unincorporated community referred to as Golden Ridge Ranchos / Charleston View.

Located adjacent to the Nevada state line in Inyo County, California, the once sleepy Golden Ridge/Charleston View area is right in the heart of a potential energy and cultural revolution. Within the community, groundbreaking projects like the approved and under construction, LEED Platinum, St. Therese Mission (click on the link St. Therese Mission) and Bright Source Energy's proposed 500 megawatt, 2.7 Billion dollar, Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System (click on Bright Source Energy Hidden Hills SEGS) could bring billions of dollars of investments into the Valley.

#### **Attention: Investors**

You may not be aware, but it is already a common belief in most well-informed real-estate industry circles that the Las Vegas and Pahrump Valley real estate cycle has finally reached bottom and has re-set on its next upward movement. In short, now is the right time to invest. Prices are at a 15-year low and have no where to go but up. You make your money investing in the right place at the right time in the real estate cycle.

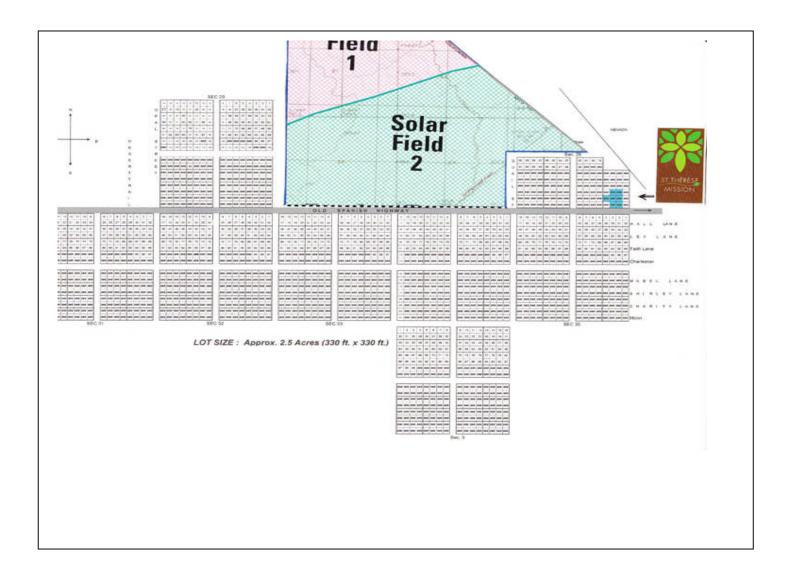
#### We have the right property at the right time.

Right now, in Golden Ridge/ Charleston View, Inyo County, California, we have opportunities for wide range of Investors. We have 2.5 acre subdivision lots that are perfect for families who want a beautiful retreat. We have 2.5 acre lots for folks who want to take advantage of the booming Organic Food Revolution. We have highway frontage available for commercial development. We have the perfect environment for medium and long term investors to maximize their ROI's.

#### **ACT NOW!!!**

Please feel free to do some due diligence. We have tried to include enough links on this site to get you up to speed on almost everything you need to know to make a well-informed decision to invest.

Don't let this opportunity to own a meaningful piece of your American dream pass you by. Contact us today to schedule a free visit to the area so you can see what the buzz is all about.





Docket Number: <u>11-AFC-02</u> Date: <u>2/28/13</u>

Project Name: Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System

### Intervenor C.R. MacDonald's Motion Response Exhibits

Exhibit	Docket Transaction Number	Brief Description	Offered	Admitted	Refused
760		( <b>DOCs by Others</b> ) Photos of Ivanpah SEGS and large, visible dust plumes on site. 2/23/13			
761		( <b>DOCs by Others)</b> Photo of Ivanpah SEGS heliostat/mirror field. 7/27/13			
762		( <b>DOCs by Others</b> ) KEOL Resources International Land Availability Map: Commercial Property and Pricing.			
763		( <b>DOCs by Others)</b> KEOL Resources International Website Facsimile. Future growth of Pahrump Valley.			



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I, <u>Cindy R. MacDonald</u>, declare that on <u>February 28, 2013</u>, I served and filed copies of the attached <u>Response to Motion To Correct Exhibit Numbers and Submit Additional Exhibits 304-324</u>, dated <u>February 28, 2013</u>. This document is accompanied by the most recent Proof of Service, which I copied from the web page for this project at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hiddenhills/.

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