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Subject: FW: HECA coal and limestone mines



Casey,

In response to your email to Dale, please find our response below.

Regarding your question on coal, our response to Data Request A206 (Alternatives) submitted in January 2013 states:

Coal Supply

The Applicant assessed domestic mines within the Western United States capable of providing the quantity and quality of required solid feedstocks. Coal sourced from New Mexico, Utah, and Colorado was among the analyzed alternatives.

Based on this alternatives analysis and as detailed below, the Project currently plans to use Western sub-bituminous coal from New Mexico (URS, 2012a). As reported in the Applicant's Response to Sierra Club Data Request 17, the Project is in the process of discussing contractual terms with Peabody Energy to supply coal from their portfolio of mines, including, but not limited to, Lee Ranch and, more likely, El Segundo (URS, 2012b).

Lee Ranch and El Segundo are "permitted" as cited below:

Website: "There are nine permitted coal mines in New Mexico. Four mines, Lee Ranch, Navajo, San Juan Underground, and El Segundo are producing as of 2012" http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/mmd/Coal-FAQs.html

Regarding your question on limestone/fluxant, the Applicant has not selected a supplier yet, but it is anticipated that fluxant would be shipped from a distribution center in Riverside, California.

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From: Weaver, Casey@Energy [mailto:Casey.Weaver@energy.ca.gov] Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2013 9:13 AM To: Shileikis, Dale Subject: HECA coal and limestone mines

Dale,

I am writing up the Geo/Paleo PSA for HECA. Could you please tell me if the limestone and coal mines are permitted facilities, who permitted them and where they are located?

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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