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BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT  
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***APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE  
REDONDO BEACH ENERGY PROJECT***

**Docket No. 12-AFC-03**

## **ORDER SUSPENDING PROCEEDINGS**

### **Background**

On November 20, 2012, AES Southland, LLC (AES) submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) seeking permission to construct and operate a power generation facility, the Redondo Beach Energy Project (RBEP), located at 1100 North Harbor Drive, in the City of Redondo Beach, Los Angeles County. The site is southeast of the intersection of North Harbor Drive and Herondo Street. The project would be located entirely within the footprint of the existing AES Redondo Beach Generating Station, an operating power plant. The full Energy Commission appointed Karen Douglas, Commissioner and Presiding Member, and Janea A. Scott, Commissioner and Associate Member, as the Committee to conduct proceedings on the AFC.

Energy Commission staff (Staff) published the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) on July 28, 2014. Shortly after the PSA was published, Applicant requested that the proceedings be suspended while it pursued an initiative to allow the voters of Redondo Beach to approve a non-power plant related use for the RBEP site. The Committee granted the request in an order suspending the proceedings from September 2, 2014, to April 1, 2015.<sup>1</sup>

In March 2015, the ballot box measure did not pass. Applicant believed that processing of the AFC would begin automatically on April 1, 2015. Staff and other parties held other interpretations of the Committee's suspension order. Processing of the AFC began again in May 2015.

On November 6, 2015, Applicant and the City of Redondo Beach, an intervenor in this proceeding, filed a "Petition for Suspension of the Application for Certification of the Redondo Beach Energy Project" (the Petition).<sup>2</sup> The Petition asks the Energy Commission to suspend the proceedings, including ruling on any pending motions, until

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<sup>1</sup> TN 203032.

<sup>2</sup> TN 206528.

a date certain: August 1, 2016. The Committee DENIES the request to suspend the proceedings to a date certain. Instead, the Committee hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. All proceedings in the above-captioned matter are suspended until further order of this Committee. During the suspension of the proceedings, Staff and all responsible agencies shall cease work on the AFC. All pending motions and deadlines are stayed.
2. The proceedings shall remain in suspension until such time as the Applicant or other party makes a motion to reopen the proceeding. The Committee reserves its authority to reopen the proceeding.
3. Nothing in this order shall preclude the Committee or any party from moving to terminate the proceedings pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1720.2.

Information concerning the status of the project, as well as notices and other relevant documents, may be viewed on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at: [http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/redondo\\_beach/](http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/redondo_beach/).

**It is so ordered.**

Dated: November 25, 2015, at Sacramento, California.

Original signed by  
KAREN DOUGLAS  
Commissioner and Presiding Member  
Redondo Beach Energy Project  
AFC Committee

Original signed by  
JANEA A. SCOTT  
Commissioner and Associate Member  
Redondo Beach Energy Project  
AFC Committee