

Proposed Project

The California Energy Commission received an Application for Certification (AFC) on 8/24/2009, requesting a license to construct and operate a 1000-megawatt concentrated solar thermal electric generating facility. The Project will utilize solar parabolic trough technology to generate electricity.

Committee overseeing this case

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**CALIFORNIA
ENERGY COMMISSION**

(Solar Millennium) Blythe Solar Project

Notice of Proposed Power Plant (Docket No. 09-AFC-6)

Proposed Location

The proposed project will be located approximately two miles north of U.S. Interstate-10 (I-10) and eight miles west of the City of Blythe in an unincorporated area of Riverside County, California. The Blythe Airport is about one mile south of the site. The applicants have applied for a right-of-way (ROW) grant from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management for about 9,400 acres of flat desert terrain. The total area that will be disturbed by project construction and operation will be about 7,030 acres. The area inside the project's security fence, within which all project facilities will be located, will occupy approximately 5,950 acres.

Public Site Visit and Informational Hearing/Scoping Meeting

The Energy Commission has designated a Committee of two commissioners to conduct proceedings on the AFC. You are invited to join the Committee on a bus tour to the proposed site and attend an informational hearing/scoping meeting. At this event, the applicant will describe the project. The Energy Commission will explain the energy facility licensing process and ways to become an effective public participant. The BLM will explain their role in the joint process. The presentations will be followed by an opportunity for the public to offer comments and concerns about the proposal, as well as identify potential environmental impacts for consideration by the Commission. The public is encouraged to attend to learn about the project, the process, public participation and to make comments.

Monday, January 25, 2010

3:30 PM –Site Visit (bus leaves)

Meet the bus at the Blythe City Hall parking lot
235 North Broadway, Blythe, CA 92225

- » BUS RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!
- » Call (800) 822-6228 **(by Wednesday, January 20, 2010)** and indicate the number of reservations needed.
- » Attendees will board a bus at 3:30 PM and tour the proposed project site.
- » Buses will return to the Blythe City Hall parking lot.

5:00 PM – Public Informational Hearing/Scoping Meeting

Blythe City Hall
235 North Broadway, Blythe, CA 92225

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate, contact Lourdes Quiroz by January 20, 2010, at (916) 654-5146 or email: lquiroz@energy.state.ca.us.

Additional Information

Project information and documents are available on the California Energy Commission website: www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/solar_millennium_blythe. You can also sign up on the List Server (electronic interest list) for this project from the website.

The Application for Certification is locally available for review at:

- » Palo Verde Valley District Library - 125 West Chanslor Way, Blythe, CA
- » Lake Tamarisk Library - 43880 Lake Tamarisk Drive, Desert Center, CA
- » Cathedral City Branch Library - 33520 Date Palm Drive, Cathedral City, CA
- » Riverside Main Library - 3581 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, CA
- » Coachella Branch Library - 1538 Seventh Street, Coachella, CA

If you would like further information or to be placed on a mailing list to receive notice of public workshops or hearings regarding this case, please contact the Public Adviser's Office.