

**Bullard Energy Center
Application for Certification
Data Request Responses
06-AFC-8**

TECHNICAL AREA: VISUAL RESOURCES

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For the cooling tower, please summarize the conditions that affect vapor plume formation including cooling tower heat rejection, exhaust temperature, and exhaust mass flow rate. Please provide values to complete the table, and additional data as necessary for staff to be able to determine how the heat rejection load varies with ambient conditions and also determine at what ambient conditions cooling tower cells may be shut down.

Parameter	Cooling Tower Exhausts		
Number of Cells	3 cells		
Cell Height*	12.8 meters (42 feet)		
Cell Diameter*	6.71 meters (22 feet)		
Tower Housing Length*	27.7 meters (91 feet)		
Tower Housing Width*	11.3 meters (37 feet)		
Ambient Temperature*	16.8°F	63.3°F	114°F
Ambient Relative Humidity	95.2%	76%	14.4%
Number of Cells in Operation			
Heat Rejection (MW/hr)	45.2	58.2	63.9
Exhaust Temperature (°F)			
Exhaust Flow Rate (lb/hr)			

*Ambient conditions and heat rejection, neglecting water makeup and blowdown, are based on the three heat balance cases provided in Section 3 and Appendix A of the AFC. Cell diameter and height are from the air quality modeling CD. Tower length and width are from AFC Table 3.4-1.

Additional combinations of temperature and relative humidity or curves showing heat rejection vs. ambient condition, if provided by the applicant, will be used to more accurately represent the cooling tower exhaust conditions. Please include appropriate design safety margins for the heat rejection, exhaust flow rate and exhaust temperature in consideration that the air flow per heat rejection ratio is often used as a condition of certification design limit.

Response:

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Tower Housing Length*	27.7 meters (91 feet)		
Tower Housing Width*	11.3 meters (37 feet)		
Ambient Temperature*	16.8°F	63.3°F	114°F
Ambient Relative Humidity	84.0%	62.0%	14.6%
Number of Cells in Operation	1	2	2
Heat Rejection (MW/hr)	46	58.6	63.3
Exhaust Temperature (°F)	82	91	103
Exhaust Flow Rate (lb/hr)	4,000,000	6,600,000	6,400,000

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The cooling tower performance data is provided in the table above. Two (2) cells are expected to be in operation at ambient temperatures above 30°F; with one (1) cell operating at temperatures below 30°F. The heat rejection can be defined as a function of ambient temperature in two regions: below 60°F and 60°F and higher. This is because evaporative coolers are used for CTG inlet air cooling at ambient temperatures 60°F and higher. The expected heat rejection is given as follows:

Below 60°F - $HR = 70.3 + 0.48 \cdot T_{amb}$ (MMBtu/hr for each CT in service)
60°F and above - $HR = 82.8 + 0.24 \cdot T_{amb}$ (MMBtu/hr for each CT in service)

BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE *BULLARD ENERGY
CENTER (BEC)*

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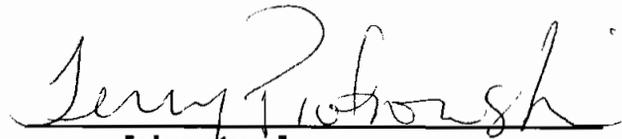
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