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Subject: **COLUSA GENERATING STATION (06-AFC-9) STATUS REPORT 2**

Pursuant to the Committee Scheduling Order dated February 1, 2007, the following is staff's Status Report #2 for the proposed Colusa Generating Station (CGS). Due to a delay in the publication of the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA), staff is submitting the following information.

PSA Coordination Activities

- Air Quality – The air quality issues identified in the Issues Identification Report have been addressed and resolution of staff's concerns has been provided jointly by the applicant and the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District (CCAPCD). The CCAPCD has completed the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) and provided the document to staff on April 18, 2007.
- Land Use – At this time, land use continues to be an issue with the County of Colusa. The applicant and the county continue to meet to resolve the issues related to a general plan amendment, zoning change and height variance. The county has not provided a schedule for resolving the land use designation changes.
- Fire Protection – The Maxwell Fire Protection District has been identified as the first responder to the proposed project location. At this time, fire protection and response continues to be an issue as indicated to staff at the workshop held on February 21, 2007, a letter dated April 19, 2007, and in an email on May 16, 2007, by the district. Negotiations between the district and the applicant are continuing.
- Western Area Power Administration – The project related need for upgrading Western's Shasta-Flanagan-Keswick transmission lines requires additional information in order for staff to understand the transmission system impacts beyond the first point of interconnection. The project impacts to Western's transmission system will be addressed outside of the Commission's authority. However, the impacts are a direct result of the project and require a general review analysis as required by California Environmental Quality Act. Staff has submitted a second round of data requests on May 15, 2007, requesting additional information on the proposed project's downstream transmission impacts. The applicant has been instructed to provide the data responses by

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June 15, 2007. The data responses and staff's analysis on the Western transmission system impacts will be included in the Final Staff Assessment (FSA) as an appendix to the Transmission System Engineering technical section.

Schedule

Staff is currently working on preparing the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA). Due to unresolved issues mentioned above and the large number of siting projects at the Energy Commission, staff will be delayed in publication of the PSA. Staff's current estimated timeframe for release of the PSA is late June 2007. The development and publication of the FSA will depend on the applicant's ability to resolve the issues identified above and submittal of all required final information and documents in a timely manner.

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

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE *COLUSA GENERATING STATION PROJECT*	**Docket No. 06-AFC-9** **PROOF OF SERVICE** **(REVISED 4/26/2007)**

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