

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE
KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
COMMUNITY POWER PROJECT**

DOCKET No. 07-AFC-7

COMMITTEE SCHEDULING ORDER

Background

On September 27, 2007, Kings River Conservation District submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to the California Energy Commission to construct and operate a base-load combined-cycle power plant, the Kings River Conservation District Community Power Project (COMMUNITY POWER PLANT), in an unincorporated area of southern Fresno County near the City of Parlier. The proposed project would be a nominal 565 megawatt (MW) natural gas-fired combined-cycle generating facility using two natural gas-fired combustion turbine generators (CTGs). Additional equipment would include two heat recovery steam generators (HRSGs) and one steam turbine generator.

Summary

The Energy Commission assigned a Committee of two Commissioners to conduct proceedings on the AFC. The Committee held a public Informational Hearing in the City of Parlier on January 14, 2008, to discuss the review process and to identify issues that could affect the schedule. Pursuant to Title 20 of the California Code of Regulations section 1709.7(c), the attached Committee Schedule is based on Applicant's and Staff's proposed schedules and related discussion at the Informational Hearing.

The schedule contains a list of events that must occur in order to complete the certification process within twelve months. This initial schedule covers the period up to the Prehearing Conference. The balance of the schedule will be determined at the Prehearing Conference.

Several deadlines are contingent upon reviews to be conducted by federal, state, and local agencies. The Applicant must provide sufficient review time for the responsible agencies to meet the deadlines specified in the schedule.

Technical issues regarding land use and transmission system engineering are pending. Resolution of these issues shall be addressed during the data exchange process and public meetings with the parties and interested governmental agencies. Given the complexities involved in resolving the issues, the parties are on notice that we may modify the schedule at any time upon either our own motion or that of a party. [Cal. Code of Regs., Title 20, § 1709(c).]

Status Reports

The schedule requires periodic status reports to determine whether case development is progressing satisfactorily and to bring potential schedule delays or other relevant matters to our attention. The burden is on the Applicant to produce the necessary data according to the schedule. If there are delays, we may adopt a performance approach resulting in a commensurate slip of the schedule.

To facilitate the process, each party shall serve and file status reports as indicated in the schedule below. The reports shall be received by the other parties and the Commission's Docket Unit, 1516 9th Street, MS 14, Sacramento, California 95814-5512, no later than **3:00 p.m. on the dates indicated below**. Identify the status reports with "Docket No. 07-AFC-7." In addition to providing printed copies, the parties shall e-mail their status reports to the Hearing Officer and to those with e-mail addresses as indicated on the Proof-of-Service list.

Public Adviser and Public Participation

Members of the public may participate in all aspects of the review process in a variety of ways. The Commission's Public Adviser's Office is available to assist the public in participating in the certification process. This office may be reached at 916-654-4489 or 800-822-6228 or email: [pao@energy.state.ca.us].

Contact Information

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to Che McFarlin, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 651-0965, or by e-mail at **[cmcfarli@energy.state.ca.us]**.

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Kenneth Celli, Hearing Officer, at (916) 651-8893, or e-mail: **[kcelli@energy.state.ca.us]**.

Media inquiries should be directed to Claudia Chandler, Assistant Executive Director for Media and Public Communications at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail at: **[mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us]**.

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: [\[http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/communitypower/index.html\]](http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/communitypower/index.html).

Dated January 18, 2008, at Sacramento, California

_____/s/_____
JACKALYNE PFANNENSTIEL
Chairman and Presiding Member
Community Power Plant AFC Committee

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JOHN L. GEESMAN
Commissioner and Associate Member
Community Power Plant AFC Committee

COMMITTEE SCHEDULE
for the
COMMUNITY POWER PLANT PROJECT

DATE	EVENT
12/05/07	AFC data adequate
1/08/08	Staff files 1 st set of Data Requests
1/14/08	Informational Hearing and Site Visit
2/07/08	Data Responses due
2/21/08	Staff workshop on Data Response and Issue Resolution in local community
2/28/08	Staff files 2 nd set of Data Requests if necessary
2/29/08	Parties file Status Report #1
3/27/08	2 nd Set of Data Responses due if necessary
4/03/08	SJVAPCD files Preliminary Determination of Compliance / Local and federal draft determinations
4/10/08	Staff workshop on Data Response and Issue Resolution in local community if necessary
4/11/08	Parties file Status Reports #2
5/02/08	Staff files Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA)
5/16/08	Staff conducts PSA workshop
5/23/08	Parties file Status Reports #3
6/02/08	SJVAPCD Final Determination of Compliance Local, state, federal agency draft reports due
6/16/08	Local, state, federal agency final reports due
6/20/08	Parties file Status Reports #4
7/02/08	Staff files Final Staff Assessment (FSA)
7/09/08	Staff conducts FSA workshop if needed
7/16/08	Parties file status reports #5
TBA	Prehearing conference