

Docket Number 06-SPPE-2  
First Round Data Requests  
El Centro Unit 3 Repower Project  
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**DATA REQUEST #32**  
**WASTE MANAGEMENT**

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**BACKGROUND**

Staff's analysis includes issues associated with managing wastes generated from constructing and operating the proposed El Centro Unit 3 Repower project. Staff evaluates the proposed waste management plans and mitigation measures designed to reduce the risks and environmental impacts associated with handling, storing, and disposing of project-related hazardous and non-hazardous wastes.

In order to ensure that the El Centro Unit 3 Repower project will not pose a risk to the public or environment, staff needs to determine whether the site was used as a disposal site and whether hazardous waste has been disposed of at this location and the size and nature of any hazardous materials. According to the Phase 1 ESA (Appendix K, page E2), there were small releases of fuel oil from the two 22,000-gallon fuel aboveground storage tanks, and the mercury-containing manometers (devices used to measure pressure) located on the existing Unit 3 boiler have occasionally overflowed and spilled onto the ground.

**DATA REQUEST**

32. The Phase I ESA recommends further investigation of the project site (Appendix K, page ES-2). Please provide soil sample results for mercury and hydrocarbons to Commission staff.

**DATA RESPONSE**

Please see Data Response #30.