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Mr. Charles W. Worrell
1200 August Way
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RE: Comment letter on the Staff Analysis for the Dry Cooling petition for the Gateway Generating Station (00-AFC-1C)

Dear Mr. Worrell;

Thank you for your letter postmarked July 19th on the Energy Commission Staff Analysis for the Gateway Generating Station petition to use dry cooling.

The Energy Commission staff has recognized the concerns previously brought forth by the Sportsmen Yacht Club. On March 14, 2007, Staff met with the former Commodore of the Sportsmen Yacht Club, Chuck Carroll, and discussed the proposed changes to the project, and heard and considered those concerns he believed should be addressed in the Staff Analysis. As a result of this meeting, the line of trees was extended to the south to increase the visual screening of the air cooled condenser.

Staff has reviewed your request for an extension of the hearing date for the proposed petition. Your comment letter and this response by staff have been provided to the Commissioners for review; however, the petition was properly noticed and any potential increases in environmental impacts over the originally approved project have been addressed. Although the item will remain on the agenda for the August 1, 2007 business meeting, you are invited to participate in the business meeting and present any concerns to the Commissioners prior to their decision.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at pao@energy.state.ca.us. If you require special accommodations, please contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146. News media inquiries should be directed to Assistant Director, Claudia Chandler, at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

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