

Memorandum

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Subject : **MOSS LANDING POWER PLANT PROJECT STATUS REPORT 1—October 7, 1999**

On September 7, 1999, the Committee conducted an Informational Hearing and site visit at the power plant site. The Hearing was well attended by about 100 people. During the open comment period the public and county representatives identified several issues (noise, traffic and air quality) of concern. These issues will be thoroughly addressed in the Preliminary and Final Staff Assessment.

Staff issued data requests on September 3, 1999, for the topics of air quality, cultural resources, geology and traffic and transportation. Duke Energy has responded to these data requests. Data requests for water resources and biological resources are expected to be sent to Duke by October 15, 1999. If necessary, data response/issue resolution workshops will be held in October and November.

Duke completed and filed, on schedule, the draft report entitled, "Moss Landing Power Plant Modernization Project: Evaluation of Proposed Discharge System with Respect to the Thermal Plan". We are in the process of reviewing this draft report and are working closely with the Regional Water Quality Control Board "Technical Working Group". This report is required for the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit.

The Monterey Bay Air Quality Management District expects to complete the Preliminary Determination of Compliance by December 10, 1999, in accordance with the Committee Schedule. We are working closely with the air district in the review of the project.

We have been in contact with the County of Monterey and will be incorporating their concerns and issues (land use, air quality, noise, and traffic) into our analysis.

The California Coastal Commission expects to file their report to us by December 10, 1999, in accordance with the Committee Schedule.

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On September 7, 1999, Duke indicated that they no longer plan to upgrade the existing Units 6 & 7 by 116 megawatts (58 megawatts per unit) as described in the Application for Certification. However, they still plan to increase capacity by 30 megawatts (15 megawatts per unit) by upgrading the steam turbine rotor at the time Selective Catalyst Reduction equipment is added. This change in the project description requires a supplemental filing including an analysis of those topic areas that will be affected by this change. Duke Energy is in the process of preparing a supplement to the Application for Certification to reflect these changes.

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