STATE OF CALIFORNIA
ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION
AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

In the Matter of: Niland Gas Turbine Plant Small Power Plant Exemption (Imperial Irrigation District)	)))))))	Docket No. 06-SPPE-1 STAFF'S PREHEARING CONFERENCE STATEMENT

On August 31, 2006, the Niland Committee ("Committee") issued a Notice of Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing. In the Notice, the Committee set the date for the Prehearing Conference as September 14, 2006, and ordered any party intending to present a witness at the evidentiary hearing to file and serve a Prehearing Conference Statement on or before September 11, 2006.

Staff is prepared at this time to proceed to an evidentiary hearing in all topic areas. At the time of this statement, there appears to be no legal or factual issues in dispute to be raised at the hearing. At the hearing, staff will make available Jack Caswell, Project Manager, who will sponsor the Final Initial Study, and Steve Baker, who will be available for any questions on Noise by the Committee or Hearing Officer.

Staff requests that technical areas of interest to the Committee, the Applicant or interested parties be identified prior to the Prehearing Conference. This will help staff schedule their availability to respond to possible questions. Staff is prepared to proceed to evidentiary hearings following the Prehearing Conference.

DATED: September 7, 2006 Respectfully submitted,

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