



BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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**Application for Certification
for the *OAKLEY GENERATING STATION*
*PROJECT***

Docket No. 09-AFC-4

COMMITTEE SCHEDULING ORDER

On September 23, 2009, the Application for Certification (AFC) was deemed data adequate for the twelve-month review process prescribed in Public Resources Code, section 25540.6. The Committee conducted a public Informational Hearing on November 9, 2009, to discuss the schedule and other issues of concern. The attached Committee Schedule is based upon Staff's proposed schedule and the related discussion at the Informational Hearing.

The attached Committee Schedule provides dates for the period leading up to the publication of the Final Staff Assessment/Final Environmental Impact Statement (FSA/FEIS) and formulas for the time intervals between subsequent events. We encourage the parties to consider this schedule an outer boundary and make their best efforts to complete the milestones ahead of these dates. Depending on the degree of controversy and number of contested issues, the intervals following the FSA/FEIS publication may be compressed or lengthened.

As Staff notes in its October 27, 2009 Issues Identification report, the Commission is currently facing heavy workloads in the power plant siting process. Thus, the events in the schedule may not occur as quickly as the schedule provides.

We may modify the schedule at any time upon either our own motion or that of a party. [Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1709.7(c).] The schedule includes periodic status reports to determine whether case development is progressing satisfactorily, and to bring potential schedule delays or other relevant matters to our attention.

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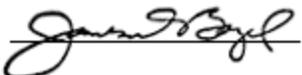
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Questions about the above formatting and filing directives may be addressed to Paul Kramer, the Hearing Officer in this matter.

Dated: November 23, 2009, at Sacramento, California.



JAMES D. BOYD
Vice Chair and Presiding Member
Oakley AFC Committee



KAREN DOUGLAS
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Oakley AFC Committee

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COMMITTEE SCHEDULE
FOR THE
OAKLEY GENERATING STATION POWER PLANT PROJECT
(09-AFC-4)

DATE	EVENT
September 23, 2009	AFC Data Adequate
November 9, 2009	Site Visit and Informational Hearing
December 21, 2009	Data Response and Issue Resolution Workshop
December 29, 2009	Staff files data request set 2 (if necessary)
December 30, 2009	Local, State, and Federal Agency Draft Determinations, including Air District's Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) filed
January 6, 2010 and every five (5) weeks thereafter until the FSA is filed	Parties file Status Reports
January 15, 2010	Applicant Files Data Responses required by Staff to complete its preliminary analysis
February 19, 2010	Staff publishes Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA)
Mid March, 2010	Staff conducts PSA workshop
March 19, 2010	Local, State, and Federal Agency Final Comments and Determinations, including Air District's Final DOC filed
4 – 5 weeks after PSA published	Committee Conference
April 19, 2010	Staff publishes Final Staff Assessment (FSA)
Late April, 2010	Staff conducts FSA workshop
FSA + 4 weeks	Applicant's opening testimony and preliminary identification of contested issues filed and served
FSA + 6 weeks	Staff and other parties file and serve opening testimony (other than FSA/FEIS) and Prehearing Conference Statements; Applicant files Prehearing Conference Statement
FSA + 7 weeks	All parties file rebuttal testimony
FSA + 7 weeks	Prehearing Conference
FSA + 8 weeks	Evidentiary Hearings
3 weeks after Evidentiary Hearings close	Post Hearing Briefs filed*
6 - 7 weeks after Evidentiary Hearings close	Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD) issued for 30-day comment period
Approx. 25 days after PMPD issued	PMPD comment hearing
35 days after PMPD issued	Revised PMPD issued* for 15-day (30 days if significant environmental information added) review period*
To be determined	Energy Commission Final Decision Adoption Hearing

* if necessary

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