CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
REPORT OF CONVERSATION

Energy Facilities Siting and Environmental Protection Division

		FILE: Socioeconomics RSA	
		PROJECT TITLE: Blythe Solar Power Project	
Phone:	951-684-1040	☐ Meeting Location:	
NAME:	Bill Perez	DATE: 6-07-10	TIME: 4:30 PM
WITH:	Business Manager of the Building Trades Council for San Bernardino and Riverside Counties		
SUBJECT:	Construction worker commute shed for the BSPP and ARRA Projects		

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PARTICIPANTS:

California Energy Commission (Consultant):
Scott Debauche, Socioeconomic Technical Staff

Building Trades Council for San Bernardino and Riverside Counties:
Bill Perez, Business Manager

DISCUSSION:

During the June 7, 2010 call, Mr. Scott Debauche contacted Mr. Perez to discuss typical daily commute shed, geography, and demographics of construction workers likely utilized for the Blythe Solar Power Project, as well as other solar power projects proposed within San Bernardino and Riverside Counties (cumulatively referred to as the ARRA Projects). Mr. Perez indicated that the Building Trades Council for San Bernardino and Riverside Counties has secured a 'Local Labor Agreement' with the Ivanpah Solar Power Project construction contractor, and intends to seek this agreement for all ARRA Projects. Mr. Perez indicated that a Local Labor Agreement guarantees that first chance to fill all construction employment for the project would come from within the office of the Building Trades Council for San Bernardino and Riverside Counties.

Regarding demographics and daily commute habits for construction workers within San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, as it specifically relates to the ARRA Projects, Mr. Perez indicated the following:

- Construction workers for the ARRA Projects would likely come from within the eastern portions of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, as a majority of construction workers live in these areas due to low housing costs. Therefore, a large number of workers required for ARRA Project construction would likely live proximate to the sites.

- Due to the nature of construction work, particularly the constant changing of work sites and short-term nature of construction projects, construction workers within San Bernardino and Riverside Counties regularly commute 2-3 hours in each direction daily for work and if required would certainly do so if employed on an ARRA Project.

- In the event an ARRA Project construction worker from within San Bernardino and Riverside Counties was to seek short-term local lodging (hotel/motel) near an ARRA

Project site and found availability limited or unavailable, they would simply commute home and would not seek any undesignated lodging sites.

In conclusion, Mr. Perez indicated that his expectation was that all ARRA Project construction workers would come from within San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, from within a 2-hour commute shed of the project sites, would commute to the sites from their homes on a daily basis, and would not impact the existing supply or demand of local transient lodging from either an individual project basis or an ARRA Project cumulative basis.

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