

November 23, 1998

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Dear Mr. Manheim and Ms. Morton:

PITTSBURG DISTRICT ENERGY FACILITY DATA REQUESTS

Pursuant to Title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 1716, the California Energy Commission staff requests the information specified in the enclosed data requests. The information requested is necessary to: 1) more fully understand the project, 2) assess whether the facility will be constructed and operated in compliance with applicable regulations, 3) assess whether the project will result in significant environmental impacts, 4) assess whether the facilities will be constructed and operated in a safe, efficient and reliable manner, and 5) assess project alternatives and potential mitigation measures.

Data requests are being submitted in the areas of: air quality, water resources and socioeconomics. Written responses to the enclosed data requests are due to the Energy Commission staff on or before December 14, or at such later date as may be mutually agreeable.

If you are unable to provide the information requested, need additional time to provide the information, or object to providing it, you must, within 15 days of receipt of this notice, send a written notice to both Vice Chair David Rohy, Presiding Member of the Committee for the Pittsburg District Energy Facility proceeding, and me. The notification must contain the reasons for not providing the information, the need for additional time and the grounds for any objections (see Title 20, California Code of Regulations section 1716 (e)).

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A publicly noticed workshop is scheduled for November 19, 1998, in the City of Pittsburg, to discuss and clarify these data requests. Staff will be available to answer questions regarding the data requests and the level of detail required to answer the requests satisfactorily.

If you have any questions regarding the enclosed data requests, please call me at (916) 654-4082.

Sincerely,

EILEEN ALLEN
Energy Facility Siting Project Manager

Enclosure

cc: Proof of Service (98-AFC-1)
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ISSUE STATEMENT

Calpine Corporation and Bechtel Enterprises have filed a petition for an exemption from the Notice of Intention to develop an 535-950 MW power plant project (Delta Energy Center) to be located at the Dow Chemical Facility in the city of Pittsburg in Contra Costa County. The Siting Committee has noticed a Committee Hearing for November 10, 1998. Our understanding is that the applicant plans to file an AFC in December of this year.

As indicated in the October 20 letter to the PDEF Siting Committee from Ms. Eileen Allen, Energy Commission staff plans to include this new power plant in its cumulative impact analysis for the PDEF in the Final Staff Assessment when and if the application for the Delta Energy Center facility is filed. However, to achieve this objective, Energy Commission staff needs to start preparing the analysis as soon as possible. One piece of information that would be very important to have as soon as possible is the complete meteorological data set for the PG&E site. This data set would be used to produce the meteorological input data needed for a cumulative air dispersion modeling analysis.

1. Please provide the raw air quality data collected in PG&E's Pittsburg meteorological tower for the year 1994 through 1997. Please include all the information needed to access and understand the data (such as format, anemometer height, and available quality control information).

Note: If any of this information must be treated as confidential information, please include a confidentiality request.