Memorandum

Date: June 15, 2012
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To: Commissioner Karen Douglas, Presiding Member
Commissioner Andrew McAllister, Associate Member

From: California Energy Commission - Eric Solorio
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Siting Project Manager

Subject: QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT (11-AFC-3), STAFF'S STATUS REPORT #4

Per the Committee's Scheduling Order dated March 5, 2012, staff hereby submits its Status Report #4 regarding the proposed Quail Brush Generation Project (QBGP).

Ongoing Discovery
The applicant filed objections to staff's data requests 71 through 73 and filed a response to staff's data request 74. Staff is continuing to conduct discovery to further its analysis of the proposed QBGP. Staff plans to file additional data requests by the end of June and file several more sets of data requests during the month of July. These data requests will pertain to project alternatives, the applicant's planned submittal of Supplement #3, information needed for staff's cumulative impacts analysis, and possibly other topics.

Cooperation with the City of San Diego
Staff continues to coordinate with the City of San Diego staff to jointly review the Application for Certification (AFC) for the proposed QBGP (California Code of Regulations, Title 20, §1714(c)). Our cooperation is intended to facilitate the city's reliance on the Energy Commission environmental documents when the city makes any future discretionary decisions related to the proposed QBGP.

Staff is also working with the City of San Diego staff to ensure the city has information it needs for considering proposed community plan and zoning changes, and other actions that would be required to correct or eliminate QBGP's noncompliance with the existing land use designations (see Public Resources Code §25523(d) (1)).

On June 28, 2012, staff will attend a Planning Commission hearing in San Diego, at the request of city staff, to answer any questions from the Planning Commission related to how the city's application review process will be integrated with the Energy Commission's site certification process.
Future Staff Workshops
Staff is planning to issue a public notice of a workshop to be held on June 29, 2012, in the City of Santee. Staff is developing the agenda in consultation with the parties and the Public Advisor. Staff also plans to hold one or more workshops during July 2012.

Schedule
Based upon the Committee’s Order granting an extension of the discovery period and the applicant’s intention to file its AFC Supplement #3 by June 15, 2012, staff is proposing the Committee adopt the attached, revised project schedule.

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<td>Application for Certification determined to be “Data Adequate” at Commission Business Meeting</td>
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<td>Staff files Round 3 Data Requests</td>
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<td>Applicant files Data Responses (round 2)</td>
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*Items 23 and 29 thru 34 are scheduled by the Committee*
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Diane Scott, declare that on June 15, 2012, I served and filed a copy of the QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT (11-AFC-3), STAFF'S STATUS REPORT #4, dated June 15, 2012. This document is accompanied by the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/quailbrush/index.html.

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, that I am employed in the county where this mailing occurred, and that I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the proceeding.

Original Signed By:
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