April 8, 2013

Siting Committee
Raoul Renaud, Hearing Officer
Eric Solorio, Project Manager
California Energy Commission
Docket No. 11-AFC-03
1516 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Cogentrix Quail Brush Generation Project - Docket Number 11-AFC-03,
Request for Project Suspension

Docket Clerk:

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 20, California Code of Regulations, and on behalf of Quail Brush Genco, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Carlyle Infrastructure Partners, L.P., Bingham McCutchen LLP hereby submits the Quail Brush Generation Project Request for Project Suspension. The Quail Brush Generating Project is a 100 megawatt natural gas fired electric generation peaking facility to be located in the City of San Diego, California.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Rick Neff at (704) 525-3800 or me at (415) 393-2572.

Sincerely yours,

Ella Foley Gannon

cc: Lori Ziebart, Cogentrix
John Collins, Cogentrix
Rick Neff, Cogentrix
Proof of Service List
On behalf of Quail Brush Genco, LLC (the “Applicant”), we respectfully submit this Request for Project Suspension pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1716.5. The Applicant hereby requests a twelve (12)-month suspension of the Application for Certification (“AFC”) for the Quail Brush Generating Project (the “Project”), docket 11-AFC-03.

The Applicant has been developing the Project to supply electricity to San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E). As the Commission is aware, on March 21, 2013 the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”) approved Decision (“D.”) 13-03-029, in which, among other things, it denied without prejudice SDG&E’s request for authority to enter into a Power Purchase Tolling Agreement (“PPTA”) with the Applicant at this time. The CPUC also ordered that SDG&E “is authorized to meet a local capacity requirement need of up to 298 MW beginning in 2018 . . . either by issuing a new request for offers or, in the alternative, it may bring an application for approval of purchase power tolling agreements with either Pio Pico Energy Center and/or Quail Brush Power amended to coordinate with the anticipated retirement in 2018.
of once-through cooling generation units . . . and other changing conditions in its service territory.”

In light of D.13-03-029, the Applicant believes that it would be prudent for the Commission to suspend review of the Project’s AFC for a period of twelve (12) months. The suspension will provide time for the Applicant and SDG&E to analyze commercial opportunities for the Project in light of the current or changed circumstances in SDG&E’s service territory as well as any amendments that may be needed in the PPTA in light of the CPUC’s decision. The Applicant continues to believe that SDG&E and the citizens of San Diego need the flexible generation that the Project would provide, and that development of the Project remains feasible. Accordingly, the Applicant is not requesting withdrawal of the AFC, and the Applicant may elect to file a request to reinstate the AFC proceeding from suspension during the 12-month period.

DATED: April 8, 2013

Bingham McCutchen LLP

By: ________________________________

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