Mike Nagy Talking Points
Quail Brush Generation Project Hearing
January 25, 2012

- Good evening Commissioners, my name is Mike Nagy, representing the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce.
- We represent more than 2,600 member businesses and are actively involved in advocating for projects and policies that benefit our region.
- We thank you for this opportunity to weigh in on Cogentrix Energy's Quail Brush Project.
- Cogentrix Energy gave a presentation to our Energy and Water Committee several months ago. While the Chamber has not yet formally supported the Quail Brush Project, the Committee was very supportive of the project and its outreach to the local community.
- Historically, the Chamber supports energy projects that improve the region's reliability.
- We believe, projects like Quail Brush, are necessary and important to the region's energy security.
- Our businesses depend on a reliable power supply void of disruptions because even a brief outage could be very costly to our economy.
- Natural gas peaker plants allow us to use clean power without experiencing any negative effects related to intermittency.
- The project also creates temporary and permanent jobs, which is very important given that San Diego's unemployment rate remains above 9 percent.
- Thus, the Chamber asks the CEC to move the Quail Brush Project further along the approval process.
- Thank you for your time.

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