On November 10, 2009, the Inland Empire Energy Center, LLC (IEEC LLC), filed a petition with the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) requesting to modify the Inland Empire Energy Center (IEEC) Project. The 800-megawatt project was certified by the Energy Commission on December 17, 2003, and began commercial operation on June 29, 2009 with one turbine producing approximately 350 megawatts (MW) of power to the grid. The second turbine was damaged during commissioning and is expected to be operating in the first quarter of 2010. The facility is located in the City of Menifee, in Southern Riverside County.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

The modifications proposed in the petition would amend the Energy Commission air quality conditions of certification to make them consistent with the current South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) RECLAIM/Title V permit for the IEEC project. IEEC LLC requested a change to the permit to allow an increase in the carbon monoxide (CO) emission limit during startups/shutdowns of the two gas turbines. The requested change increased the allowed CO emissions during gas turbine startups/shutdowns from 95 lbs/hr to 800 lbs/hr and from 300 lbs/event to 2000 lbs/event. The gas turbine startup/shutdown CO emission limits in the existing SCAQMD permit and the Energy Commission's license were based on the best information available at the time that the permit was issued.

ENERGY COMMISSION AMENDMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES

The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess the impacts of this proposal on environmental quality, public health and safety. The review process includes an evaluation of the consistency of the proposed changes with the Energy Commission's Decision and if the project, as modified, will remain in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (Title 20, Calif. Code of Regulations, section 1769). Energy Commission staff is currently analyzing the request and will publish an analysis in the near future. A public hearing for the purpose of approving or denying the amendment proposal will subsequently be held at a regularly scheduled Energy Commission business meeting.

This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to interested parties and property owners adjacent to the project site who may want to participate in the amendment process.

The petition is available on the Energy Commission's website at http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/inlandempire/compliance/index.html. The staff analysis (when published), will be posted on the same page. If you would like to receive a hard copy or CD of the petition and/or staff's analysis, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.
If you have any comments or questions, please contact Dale Rundquist, Compliance Project Coordinator, at (916) 651-2072, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: drundqui@energy.state.ca.us within 14 days of the date of this notice.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

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