On February 1, 2013, the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA), filed a petition with the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) requesting to modify the Lodi Energy Center (LEC) Final Decision by changing a number of Air Quality conditions of certification. On April 4, 2013, the NCPA submitted a revised petition that duplicated the February 1, 2013 request and added two further modifications to Air Quality conditions of certification. On May 20, 2013, the NCPA further requested that the Energy Commission incorporate additional changes in the Air Quality conditions of certification identified in the amended Draft Authority to Construct (ATC) issued by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD) on May 9, 2013. The NCPA sent a copy of the District's Draft ATC to the Energy Commission on May 15.

LEC is a 296-megawatt, natural gas-fired, combined-cycle generating facility. The project was certified by the California Energy Commission on April 21, 2010, and began commercial operation in November 2012. The project is located in the City of Lodi, in San Joaquin County, adjacent to the City’s Wastewater Treatment plant, fronting Interstate 5 at Thornton Road.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

NCPA is proposing changes to 12 Air Quality conditions of certification to increase the maximum allowable hourly carbon monoxide (CO) emissions during startup, shutdown, and combustor tuning and calibration periods; to revise language which refers to the Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) system for ammonia injection; and to delete the requirement that fuel flow meters be “non-resettable and totalizing” to achieve consistency with federal continual emission monitoring requirements. As a result of the proposed changes, the maximum allowable CO emissions would increase from 900 lb/hr to as high as 1,500 lb/hr during startup, shutdown, and combustor tuning and calibration periods, but the maximum daily, quarterly, and annual emissions would not increase.

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION AMENDMENT REVIEW PROCESS

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

The petition is available on the Energy Commission’s webpage for this facility at http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/lodi/compliance/html. The staff analysis, when published, will also be posted on this webpage. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the petition and/or staff analysis, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address given on the form.

If you have any questions, please call Eric Veerkamp, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-4611, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at eric.veerkamp@energy.ca.gov.

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

Any person may file written comments on the petition with the Energy Commission’s Dockets Unit. All written comments and all materials filed with the Dockets Unit will become part of the public record of the proceeding and may be posted to the facility website.

All comments must be in writing. Those submitting comments electronically should provide them as either a Microsoft Word document (.doc or .docx) or in Portable Document Format (.pdf) and include your name or your organization’s name in the file name. Please e-mail electronic written comments to docket@energy.ca.gov and include the docket number (08-AFC-10C) in the subject line of your e-mail. Those submitting non-electronic written comments should include the docket number (08-AFC-10C) in the first paragraph and mail or hand-deliver the comments to:

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

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COMMISSION DECISION TO: Amend air quality conditions of certification to increase the maximum allowable hourly CO emissions during startup, shutdown, and combustor tuning and calibration periods and to achieve consistency with Air District requirements

PLEASE CHECK THE DOCUMENTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE:

☐ PETITION TO AMEND
☐ STAFF ANALYSIS

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