Notice of Decision by the California Energy Commission

To: California Natural Resources Agency
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Sacramento, CA 95414

From: California Energy Commission
715 P Street, 3rd Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Filing of Notice of Decision in compliance with Public Resources Code section 21080.5 and California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1749.

Project Name: La Paloma Generating Plant
Docket Number: 98-AFC-02C

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Project Location: East of the community of McKittrick, Kern County, CA.

Project Description: The La Paloma Generating Plant is a 1,048-megawatt, combined-cycle, natural gas facility. The project was certified by the CEC in October 1999 and began commercial operations in January 2003.

Modification Description: The approved Petition to Amend the Commission Final Decision to modify the La Paloma Generating Plant to install an emergency standby electrical generator (genset) to power the existing West Kern Water District pump station water pumps for process/cooling water at the LPGP in the event of grid power loss.

On May 11, 2022, the CEC approved the above-described project change pursuant to a regulatory program certified by the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency under section Public Resources Code section 21080.5, finding that:

- The petition meets all the filing criteria of California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1769(a) concerning post-certification project changes;
- There is no possibility that the change may have a significant impact on the environment, or the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act;
- The proposed change would not cause the project to fail to comply with any applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, or standards;
- The findings required under California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1748(b), are not applicable to this petition; and
- The proposed change does not meet the criteria requiring the production of subsequent or supplemental review as specified in California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15162(a).

The Commission docket files containing the Final Commission Decision, the staff analysis, and other information regarding the project are open to the public at: California Energy Commission, 715 P Street, Sacramento, California, 95814. This information is also available on the Energy Commission's project webpage https://www.energy.ca.gov/powerplant/combined-cycle/la-paloma-generating-plant

Signature 05/16/2022

Project Manager
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