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September 20, 2007

Jackalyne Pfannestiel, Chair
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

RE: Russell City Energy Center

Dear Chairwoman Pfannestiel:

DOCKET 01-AFC-7C
DATE <u>SEP 20 2007</u>
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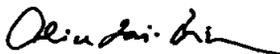
I am writing to ask the California Energy Commission for a continuance on the Russell City Energy Center (Docket # 01-AFC-7C – Amendment Proceeding). While I agree our state must produce more energy, I prefer green alternatives. That aside, more time is needed for the public and Alameda County to review the effects of this project on the surrounding area.

I have strong reservations about extent of public noticing with this proposed project. In particular, I am troubled that the unincorporated communities, which include San Lorenzo and which are located next to the City of Hayward, have not been given adequate public notice about this project. Had the residents of the unincorporated area been given adequate notice, community leaders would have attended previous public meetings to learn more about the project and voice their possible concerns.

The proposed Russell City Energy Center would provide energy to the region, not just to Hayward. The potential adverse effects of this project would also be regional, therefore the input of the surrounding communities such as San Lorenzo should be heard.

I urge the California Energy Commission to continue this item for one month at your September 26th meeting to allow the residents of the region surrounding this project to get better informed. Thank you for your attention and consideration on this matter. If you have any questions, please contact my office at (510)272-6693.

Sincerely,



Alice Lai-Bitker, Vice President
Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Third District

cc: Alameda County Board of Supervisors
cc: Mayor Michael Sweeney and rest of Hayward City Council
cc: Susan Muranishi, County Administrator, Alameda County
cc: Buzz Sorensen, Community Development Agency, Alameda County

BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Amendment to the APPLICATION
FOR CERTIFICATION OF THE
RUSSELL CITY ENERGY CENTER
POWER PLANT PROJECT

Docket No. 01-AFC-7C
PROOF OF SERVICE
(Revised 7/6/07)

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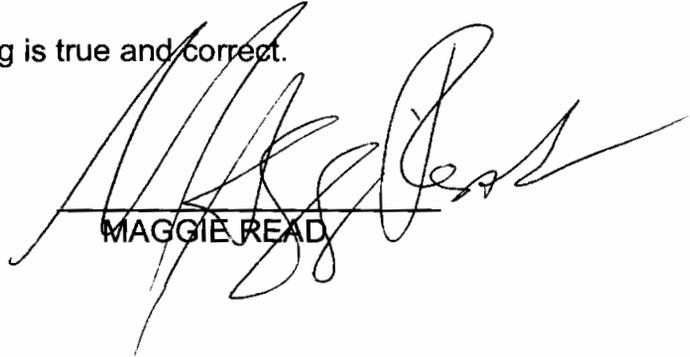
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I, Maggie Read, declare that on September 21, 2007, I deposited copies of the attached 9/20/07 letter from Alice Lai-Bitker requesting a continuance on the Russell City Energy Center in the United States mail at Sacramento, California with first-class postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to those identified on the Proof of Service list above.

OR

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.


MAGGIE READ