

## CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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Dear Librarian:

**DOCUMENT HANDLING FOR THE PASTORIA ENERGY FACILITY EXPANSION PROJECT  
FINAL STAFF ASSESSMENT (05-AFC-1)**

On April 29, 2005, Calpine Corporation filed an Application for Certification (AFC) for the Pastoria Energy Facility Expansion project seeking approval from the Energy Commission to construct and operate an additional 160 megawatt (MW) unit at its existing power plant site on Tejon Ranch in Kern County. The 750 MW Pastoria Energy Facility began operation in May 2005. This Final Staff Assessment (FSA) contains the Energy Commission staff's evaluation of the applicant's AFC (05-AFC-1) for the project.

The power plant is under the Energy Commission's siting authority. The power plant certification process examines engineering, environmental, public health, and safety aspects of power plant proposals and contains analyses similar to those required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). When issuing a license, the Energy Commission is the lead state agency under CEQA, and its process is functionally equivalent to the preparation of an EIR.

The Energy Commission's siting process is open to the public and incorporates the input of the public as well as local, State and federal agencies. To facilitate public participation in our review process, the Energy Commission has sent copies of the FSA to libraries in the project area, and to specified metropolitan areas as required by law.

Please make this FSA available for those who may wish to be informed about the project. We request that you not allow the FSA or any of its contents be removed from the library. There is a CD in the inside pocket to allow for computer viewing. To increase accessibility of the document, we ask, if possible, that you cross reference it as a general reference work under the title and author categories, as well as under such subjects as Energy Commission, electricity, energy, generation, power plant siting, or any other relevant subject.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact J. W. Reede at (916) 653-1245.

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Sincerely,

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