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Dear Librarian:

DOCUMENT HANDLING FOR THE PASTORIA ENERGY FACILITY 160 MW (MEGAWATT) EXPANSION PROJECT (05-AFC-1)

Please make the enclosed Application for Certification (AFC) available for those who may wish to be informed about the project. We request that you not allow the AFC or any of its contents to be removed from the library. 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.

The Energy Commission is responsible for reviewing and ultimately approving or denying thermal electric power plants, 50 MW and greater, proposed for construction in California. The Energy Commission's facility certification process carefully examines public health and safety, environmental impacts and engineering aspects of proposed power plants, and all related facilities such as electric transmission lines, natural gas pipelines, etc. The Energy Commission is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The Energy Commission's review 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, we distribute copies of AFC to libraries in Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, Fresno, and Eureka, as well as to public libraries in communities near the proposed project.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact James W. Reede, Jr., Ed.D, Siting Project Manager, at (916) 653-1245.

Sincerely,

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To: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE REVIEW OF THE PASTORIA ENERGY FACILITY
160 MW (MEGAWATT) EXPANSION PROJECT**

On April 29, 2005, Pastoria Energy LLC filed the enclosed Application for Certification (AFC) for the Pastoria Energy Facility 160 MW (megawatt) Expansion (PEFE) Project, seeking approval from the Energy Commission to construct and operate an additional 160 MW unit at its existing power plant site. The previously approved 750 MW Pastoria Energy Facility (PEF) was analyzed and licensed as part of the Energy Commission's facility licensing proceeding, 99-AFC-7 and is approximately 90% complete.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project is proposed to be located on an existing 30-acre site at the Tejon Ranch in Kern County. The site is about 30 miles south of Bakersfield and about 6.5 miles east of Interstate 5 near the base of the Tehachapi Mountains, in Township 10 North, Range 18 West, and is approximately 0.85 mile north of the California Aqueduct and about 1.3 miles north of the Edmonston Pumping Plant (California Department of Water Resources). The facility address is 39789 Edmonston Pumping Plant Road, Lebec, CA.

The proposed PEFE project incorporates one additional natural gas-fired, F-Class combustion turbine generator (CTG) operating in simple cycle mode into the original three-unit PEF, for a total of four units. The plant will continue to use Best Available Control Technology (BACT) to minimize gas turbine emissions. The PEFE applicant plans to use Selective Catalytic Reduction for pollution control with aqueous ammonia as the reagent in the catalytic reduction process. The PEFE project will not require any changes to the existing facility's fuel or water supplies, nor will it require upgrading the transmission system.

The Energy Commission is responsible for reviewing and ultimately approving or denying all thermal electric power plants, 50 MW and greater, proposed for construction in California. The Energy Commission's facility certification process carefully examines public health and safety, environmental impacts and engineering aspects of proposed power plants, and all related facilities such as electric transmission lines and natural gas pipelines. The Energy Commission's responsibilities are similar to those of a lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Over the next 6 months, the Energy Commission will conduct a number of public workshops and hearings on the proposal to determine whether the project should be approved for construction and operation and under what set of conditions. These workshops and hearings will provide the public as well as local, state, and federal agencies the opportunity to ask questions about and provide input on the proposed

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project. The Energy Commission will issue notices for these workshops and hearings, normally 14 days, but in no case later than 10 days, prior to the meeting. If you are not currently receiving these notices and want to be placed on the mailing list, please contact Angela Hockaday, Project Secretary, at (916) 654-3925 or email to ahockada@energy.state.ca.us.

If you desire information on participating in the Energy Commission's review of the project, please contact Ms. Margret Kim, the Energy Commission's Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 or toll free in California, at (800) 822-6228. Technical or project schedule questions should be directed to James W. Reede, Jr. Ed.D, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 653-1245 or jreede@energy.state.ca.us. The status of the project, copies of notices, and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission's Internet web site at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/index.html>. News media inquiries should be directed to Assistant Executive Director, Claudia Chandler, at (916) 654-4989.

Note: Please retain this letter behind the front cover of the AFC. Thank You.