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DOCKET 06-AFC-2
DATE AUG 23 2007
RECD. AUG 28 2007

Re: AES Highgrove Project / Application for Certification (06-AFC-2)

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Department of Fish and Game (Department) appreciates this opportunity to comment on the proposed project for the above-referenced project with regards to impacts to biological resources. The project involves proposed changes to the sources of cooling and process water, modifications to the on-site water treatment system, the cooling tower system, wastewater disposal plans and 1.3 miles of water supply pipeline. The project is located in the City of Grand Terrace, San Bernardino County.

The Department is responding as a Trustee Agency for fish and wildlife resources [Fish and Game Code sections 711.7 and 1802 and the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (CEQA) section 15386] and as a Responsible Agency regarding any discretionary actions (CEQA Guidelines section 15381), such as a Streambed Alteration Agreement or a California Endangered Species Incidental Take Permit (Fish and Game Code Sections 2080 and 2080.1).

The Department has reviewed the project specifics and determined that there will be no significant adverse impacts to biological resources or jurisdictional surface waters.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please call Robin Maloney-Rames, Environmental Scientist, at (909) 980-3818.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Dawson".

Scott Dawson
Senior Environmental Scientist
Habitat Conservation Planning