



July 19, 2007

California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, Ca 95814-5512
ATTN: Roger E. Johnson

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

Mr. Johnson,

The Pala Band of Mission Indians Tribal Historic Preservation Office has received your notification of the project as above. This letter constitutes our response on behalf of Robert Smith, Tribal Chairman.

We have consulted our maps and have determined that the project as described is not within the boundaries of the recognized Pala Indian Reservation. It also is beyond the boundaries of territory that the Tribe considers its Traditional Use Area. Therefore, we have no objection to continuation of project activities as currently planned and we defer to the wishes of Tribes in closer proximity to the project area. However, if the project boundaries are modified to extend beyond the currently proposed limits, we do request updated information and the opportunity to respond to your changes.

We appreciate involvement with your initiative and look forward to working with you on future efforts. If you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Joseph M. Nixon at 1 (760) 891 3592 or at e.mail jnixon@palatribe.com.

Cordially,

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