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Re: Vernon Power Plant Project: Docket No. 06-AFC-4

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 1209, 1209.5, and 1210, enclosed herewith for filing please find a copy of a letter from Art Aguilar to Dr. James Reede, dated April 26, 2007.

Please note that the enclosed submittal was filed today via electronic mail to your attention and to all parties on the CEC's current electronic proof of service list.

Very truly yours,



Paul E. Kihm
Senior Paralegal

Enclosure

cc: CEC 06-AFC-4 Proof of Service List (w/ encl. via e-mail)
Michael J. Carroll, Esq. (w/ encl.)



Central Basin
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April 26, 2007

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Dear Dr. Reede:

On behalf of the Central Basin Municipal Water District Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity to express our support for the Vernon Power Plant—an important regional project that will use recycled water to bring much-needed power to Southern California.

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Art Aguilar

The Vernon Power Plant is a critical component of our Southeast Water Reliability Project, which is Central Basin's largest recycled water project in recent years. Comprised of 11-plus miles of pipeline, it will bring recycled water to the area's large industrial and irrigation facilities. The Vernon Power Plant will be our largest recycled water customer, a partnership that will allow us to increase our pipeline capacity to serve additional customers throughout the region and conserve more than 8.5 billion gallons of drinking water annually. Reaching the pipeline's full capacity is contingent on the construction of the Vernon Power Plant.

As the General Manager of the Central Basin, I can tell you about the value of a recycled water project of this size. Using recycled water saves millions of gallons of precious drinking water for the region and helps the environment by drastically reducing the amount of wastewater discharged into the ocean. Additionally, the availability of recycled water will improve local economic development, enabling cities to offer lower water rates as incentives to attract new businesses.

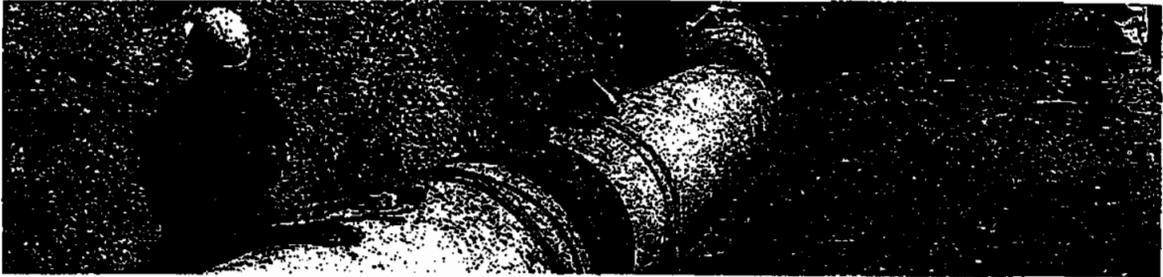
We view construction of the Vernon Power Plant as proposed as a win-win. It will achieve long-term energy and water reliability for the region, broaden key partnerships for future conservation projects and expand the benefits and use of recycled water for generations to come. If you would like additional information about the Southeast Water Reliability Project or our support for the Vernon Power Plant, please contact me at (310) 436-2605.

Thank you,


Art Aguilar
General Manager

Encl.: Southeast Water Reliability Project Fact Sheet
cc: Dr. Barry Wallerstein, Executive Officer, SCAQMD
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Southeast Water Reliability Project



The Big Picture

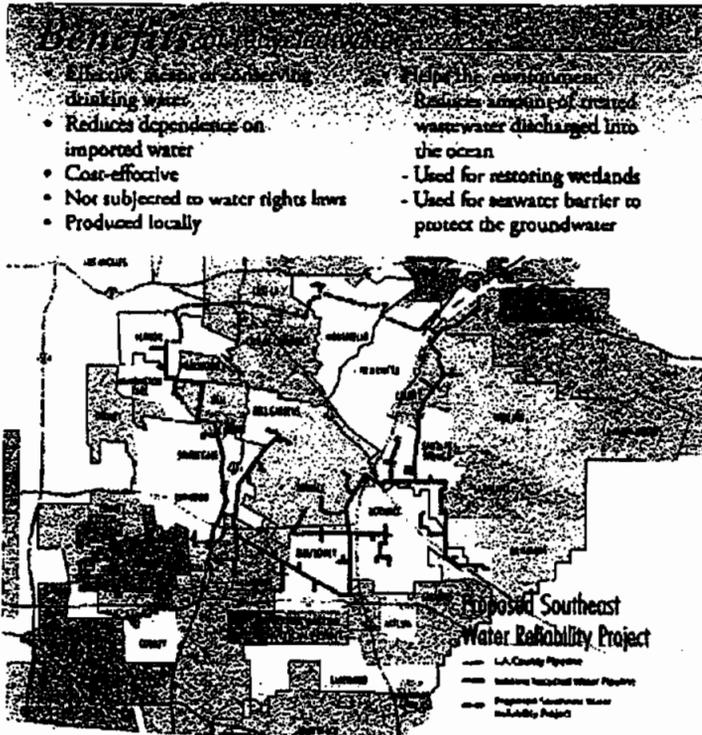
In an effort to conserve the area's groundwater and reduce reliance on imported water, Central Basin Municipal Water District is moving forward with the Southeast Water Reliability Project (SWRP). Since Southern California is a semi-desert region, water conservation is vital to ensuring a safe and reliable water supply. Using recycled water for commercial, industrial and landscape-irrigation uses instead of drinking water is an important component in Central Basin's conservation plan.

About the Project

With industrial sites as the largest single users of potable water, SWRP would deliver recycled water to many large industrial and irrigation facilities, providing regional water-saving benefits. The 11-plus mile pipeline will extend from Pico Rivera through Montebello and southeast Los Angeles County, connecting to the existing system in Vernon. Additionally, the project will enhance the operation reliability of the current system by completing an actual "loop" of existing pipelines. Once completed, SWRP will conserve more than 6.5 billion gallons of water annually.

Benefit to the Public

This type of project is vital to sustaining a reliable supply of water for Southern California, which imports most of its water from Northern California and the Colorado River. With these sources of water becoming increasingly limited, agencies such as Central Basin are working to develop a plan to reduce dependency on imported water sources. Recycled water offers a viable solution. As recycled water becomes available throughout Los Angeles County, it can be used for commercial, industrial and landscape-irrigation purposes, conserving the region's potable water supply.



- Efficient means of conserving drinking water
- Reduces dependence on imported water
- Cost-effective
- Not subjected to water rights laws
- Produced locally

- Helps the environment
- Reduces amount of treated wastewater discharged into the ocean
- Used for restoring wetlands
- Used for seawater barrier to protect the groundwater

Central Basin's ability to produce recycled water locally also means less impact on fragile ecosystems, less energy to pump imported water long distances and a reliable water supply for the region. As an added benefit, Central Basin's recycled water can be purchased for less than potable water and is virtually drought-proof, providing an economic incentive for businesses in the area to use recycled water. The lower cost of water will also attract more businesses to the area, providing an opportunity for regional economic growth. SWRP was designed through Central Basin's proactive approach to water conservation and environmentally-sound practices and will be a great benefit to southeast Los Angeles County. It is expected to be completed in 2009.

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In the Matter of:)	Docket No. 06-AFC-4
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Application for Certification,)	ELECTRONIC PROOF OF SERVICE
for the VERNON POWER PLANT PROJECT)	LIST
by the City of Vernon)	
)	(Revised April 30, 2007]
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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Paul Kihm, declare that on April 30, 2007, I deposited the required original signed copy of the attached:

LETTER FROM ART AGUILAR TO DR. JAMES REEDE, DATED APRIL 26, 2007

with FedEx overnight mail delivery service at Costa Mesa, California with delivery fees thereon fully prepaid and addressed to the California Energy Commission. I further declare that transmission via electronic mail was consistent with the requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 1209, 1209.5, and 1210. All electronic copies were sent to all those identified on the Proof of Service List above.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on April 30, 2007, at Costa Mesa, California.



Paul Kihm