



San Diego County Building & Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO

May 19, 2011

Dr. Robert B. Weisenmiller, Chairman and
Honorable Commissioners
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

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RE: Carlsbad Energy Center Project

Dear Chairman Weisenmiller and Commissioners:

The San Diego Building and Construction Trades Council strongly endorses the Carlsbad Energy Center project proposed by NRG Energy. We agree with the Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD).

Our Council recognizes the benefits of building a new more efficient generating facility that will utilize clean burning natural gas. The new generating facility will improve the reliability of energy supply in San Diego, while enhancing the environment by displacing older less efficient power plants in Carlsbad. Reliable energy is critical to residents and businesses throughout our region.

Equally important to our Council and the San Diego region is the Carlsbad Energy Center will create good jobs for our members and local workers. Jobs are critical to the economic development of the region and to the thousands of Building and Construction Trades Council families who are an important part of the community.

Our Council has been involved with the debate on new electric generation for the region and recognizes there are always concerns. The Carlsbad Energy Center utilizes land with the appropriate land use and its advanced technology will enhance the use of renewable energy, such as solar and wind generation.

The Council urges the California Energy Commission to approve the PMPD and enable the Carlsbad Energy Center to be constructed.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Lemmon'.

Tom Lemmon