

BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

THE APPLICATION FOR A SMALL POWER PLANT
EXEMPTION FOR THE *CHEVRON RICHMOND POWER PLANT*
REPLACEMENT PROJECT

DOCKET NO. 07-SPPE-1

COMMITTEE ORDER GRANTING PETITION TO INTERVENE

Upon consideration of the Petition to Intervene filed by Petitioner Contra Costa Building and Construction Trades Council, the Committee designated to conduct proceedings in this matter makes the following findings:

1. On July 5, 2007, a Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding was filed by:

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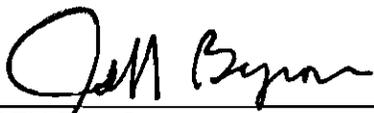
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2. The Petition was timely filed and contains the information required by section 1207 of the Commission's regulations (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 20, § 1207);
3. The Applicant has filed no opposition to said Petition; and
4. Petitioner's interests are relevant to this proceeding.

THEREFORE, the Committee **Orders** that the Petition to Intervene in this matter be **GRANTED** and that Petitioner be placed upon the Proof of Service List as an Intervenor. Petitioner may exercise the rights and shall fulfill the obligations of a party as set forth in Section 1712 of the Commission's regulations. (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 20, § 1712.)

Further, the Executive Director or his designee shall ensure that Petitioner is immediately provided with a copy of the Small Power Plant Exemption Application.

Dated August 24, 2007, at Sacramento, California.



JEFFREY BYRON
Commissioner and Presiding Member
Chevron Richmond SPPE Committee



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Proof of Service List (Revised on 8/24/07)
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**Energy Resources Conservation
and Development Commission**

In the Matter of:

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**PETITION TO INTERVENE BY
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COUNCIL**

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Pursuant to sections 1207 of Title 20 of the California Code of Regulations, the Contra Costa Building and Construction Trades Council (“CCBCTC”) petitions to intervene in this proceeding.

Section 1207(a) grants “any person” the right to file a petition to intervene which sets forth “the grounds for the intervention, the position and interest of the petitioner in the proceeding, the extent to which the petitioner desires to participate in the proceedings, and the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner.” Section 1207(c) provides that the “presiding member may grant leave to intervene to any petitioner to the extent he deems reasonable and relevant....”

CCBCTC is a council of unions whose members work on refinery and power plant projects in Contra Costa County, California. Thus, the project directly affects the union members' immediate economic interests.

The project also affects the union members' longer term economic and environmental interests. Environmental degradation jeopardizes future jobs by causing construction moratoriums, depleting limited air pollutant emissions offsets, using limited fresh water, and putting other stresses on the environmental carrying capacity of the State. This reduces future employment opportunities.

Additionally, union members live in the communities that suffer the impacts of environmentally detrimental projects. Unions have an interest in helping to minimize the impacts of projects that would degrade the environment, and in enforcing environmental laws to protect their members.

Finally, union members are concerned about projects that cause serious environmental harm without providing countervailing economic benefits. The Commission's process provides for a balancing of the project's socioeconomic and environmental impacts. CCBCTC's ultimate position in this proceeding will be determined based on all of the factors that will be considered by the Commission.

Labor unions have been granted intervention in many other siting cases brought before the Commission since the enactment of AB 1890. The Commission rejected the only challenge to a labor union's participation in

those cases, finding the union's interests "undeniably relevant" to the proceedings. (In the Matter of Application for Certification for the High Desert Power Project, Docket No. 97-AFC-1, Order Granting Petition to Intervene at 2 (Dec. 24, 1997).) The same decision should be reached here.

CCBCTC wishes to participate fully in all phases of this proceeding. Filings should be served on CCBCTC at the address listed below.

For the foregoing reasons, CCBCTC respectfully requests that the Commission grant its petition to intervene in this proceeding, and allow CCBCTC to participate as a party.

Dated: July 5, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Bonnie Heeley, declare that on July 5, 2007, I deposited copies of the attached PETITION TO INTERVENE BY CONTRA COSTA BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL via email or U.S. mail as follows:

Via U.S. Mail

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at South San Francisco, California, on July 5, 2007.

Bonnie Heeley

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PLANT REPLACEMENT PROJECT
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(Revised 08/24/07)**

INSTRUCTIONS: All parties shall either (1) send an original signed document plus 12 copies or (2) mail one original signed copy AND e-mail the document to the address for the Docket as shown below, AND (3) all parties shall also send a printed or electronic copy of the document, which includes a proof of service declaration to each of the individuals on the proof of service list shown below:

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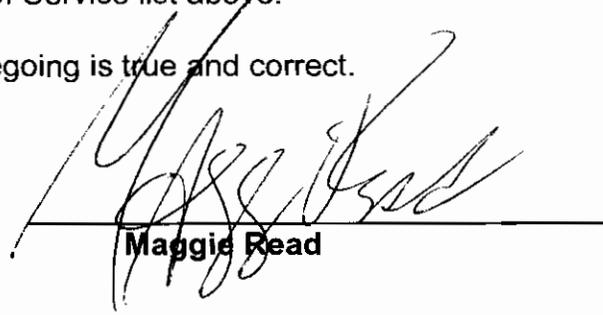
DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Maggie Read, declare that on August 24, 2007, I deposited copies of the attached Order Granting Petition to Intervene, in the United States mail at Sacramento, California with first-class postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to those identified on the Proof of Service list above.

OR

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.



Maggie Read