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To: Commissioner Jeffrey D. Byron, Presiding Member  
From: Richard Knox, Project Manager  
Subject: SES Solar Two, LLC (08-AFC-5) Project Status Report #5

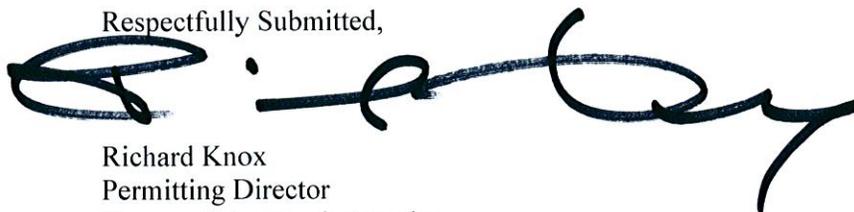
Dear Commissioner Byron,

Pursuant to the Committee Scheduling Order dated December 3, 2008, the following is the Stirling Energy Systems, Inc. (SES) Status Report #5 for the proposed SES Solar Two, LLC project (i.e., Imperial Valley Solar Project). The following major progress was made during this last reporting period:

- 1) Data Requests 142-150 (Cultural Resurvey) were transmitted to the CEC on October 15<sup>th</sup>. The 100% technical cultural report will be transmitted to the BLM and CEC by 12.24.09.
- 2) Tessera Solar submitted an individual application to the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) for a 404 CWA permit.
- 3) The Biological Assessment for the project related to the FTHL and the PBHS was transmitted to the BLM.
- 4) A kick off field review and discussion related to a programmatic agreement (cultural resources) was hosted by the BLM in El Centro on December 4 in support of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
- 5) A Stream Bed Alteration Application was submitted to the CDFG.
- 6) An Environmental Assessment related to drilling water wells (in the January 2010 timeframe) was initiated with the BLM.
- 7) RMT (contractor to the applicant) commenced geo tech drilling test after a Determination of NEPA Adequacy was adopted by the BLM. Restoration work will end in January 2010.
- 8) Negotiations with private land owners continues. Draft agreements are currently being discussed.
- 9) The ACOE has directed the applicant to evaluate additional alternatives pursuant to Section 404 (b) (1) of the CWA.
- 10) Sediment transport analysis was initiated per ACOE to support efforts associated with the 404 (B) (1) alternatives analysis.

We would like to thank both the California Energy Commission and the Bureau of Land Management for continued consideration of this very exciting project!

Respectfully Submitted,



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**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION  
For the SES SOLAR TWO PROJECT**

**Docket No. 08-AFC-5**

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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