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Mr. Gerardo Rios via e-mail
Chief, Permits Office
U.S. EPA, Region IX
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

SUBJECT: Request for Expedited Review
Inland Empire Energy Center (IEEC) LLC – Change of Conditions
Facility ID # 129816, Facility Location: 26226 Antelope Rd. Romoland CA 92585

Dear Mr. Rios:

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) has received and evaluated permit applications for the subject facility. The IEEC is proposing to change existing permit conditions that would reflect PM10 emission levels supported by the manufacturer based upon test data measured recently in a similar gas turbine. IEEC also proposes to limit maximum cumulative hourly operations on a daily basis for both gas turbines D1 and D2 and the auxiliary boiler D3. No increase in pollutant emissions is expected as a result of these changes of conditions.

The AQMD has evaluated the subject permit applications and made a preliminary determination that the equipment will comply with all of the applicable requirements of our rules and regulations. Pursuant to Rule 3000(b)(12), the proposed change of condition is considered a Minor Permit Revision to the Title V permit since among other requirements, does not result in an emission increase of a pollutant subject to New Source Review or a HAP. Under Rule 3003(k)(1), EPA is afforded a 45-day review period from receipt of the application. The AQMD intends to issue a revision to the Facility Permit upon EPA's timely review and approval.

Please find attached a copy of AQMD's engineering analysis for the proposed change of condition along with a copy of the draft Section H of the proposed Facility Permit.

If you wish to provide comments or have any questions regarding these proposed changes, please contact Mr. John Yee at (909) 396-2531 jyee@aqmd.gov.

Sincerely,


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Attachments

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