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SUBJECT: ELK HILLS POWER PROJECT, 99-AFC-1C  
APPROVAL OF REQUESTED MODIFICATION TO ALLOW  
OPERATION AS A COGENERATION FACILITY

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

In accordance with the provisions of Title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 1769(a), California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) staff reviewed your petition dated July 1, 2011, requesting that the Elk Hills Power Plant be allowed to operate as a cogeneration facility. Staff determined that the petition meets the criteria of section 1769(a)(2), and mailed the enclosed “Notice of Determination” to the Energy Commission’s post-certification project mailing list on August 4, 2011.

Energy Commission staff did not receive any public comments regarding this requested project change within the 14-day public review period as specified in section 1769(a)(2). Therefore, your requested modification to the Elk Hills Power project description is approved.

If you have any questions, please call me at (916) 651-8891, or send an e-mail to me at mdyas@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

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