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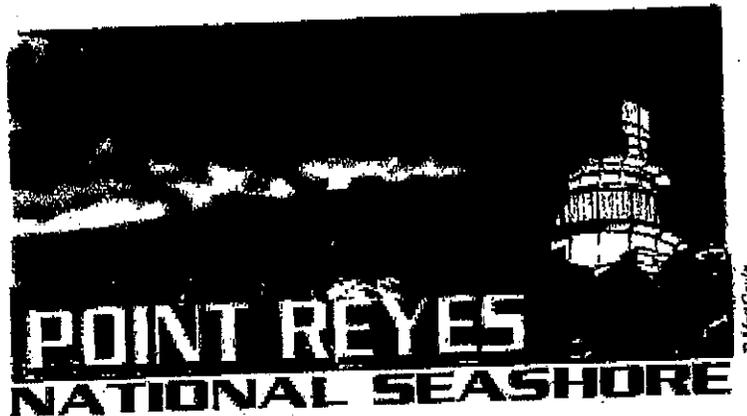
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September 15, 2009

Mr. Wayman Lee, P.E.
Senior Air Quality Engineer
Bay Area Air Quality Management District
939 Ellis Street
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Mr. Lee:

The National Park Service (NPS) Air Resources Division (ARD), the NPS Pacific West Region Air Quality Specialist, and Point Reyes National Seashore have reviewed the PSD analysis for the Russell City Energy Project, Application Number 15487.

The NPS Air Resources Division declined to comment on the project due to the low emissions of SOX, NOX and PM₁₀ projected to impact Point Reyes National Seashore and the Seashore will defer to their judgment on this issue.

The Seashore though maintains concern for increasing amounts of criteria air pollutants and greenhouse gases being generated through expanded power generation using the combustion of fossil fuels that may cumulatively impact the air quality and flora and fauna of the National Seashore and its Class I Wilderness Status. As a member of the joint NPS/EPA Climate Friendly Parks Program, the National Seashore is striving to reduce its carbon footprint through technological and conservation measures and would hope that technical innovation and conservation initiatives would become a requirement of any energy generation projects affecting the San Francisco Bay Area.

Sincerely,

Don L. Neubacher
Superintendent

cc:
Barry Young, Manager, Permit Evaluation, BAAQMD