

November 13, 2003

Mike Lengyel  
545 Central Avenue  
Pittsburg CA 94565

Re: Application Number: 7068, 7081

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Dear Mr. Lengyel:

Thank you for your comments on the proposed significant permit modification for the Delta Energy Center and Los Medanos Energy Center. Because we only received one request for a public hearing, we are not planning to hold one to discuss the proposed permit changes. However, as discussed in the permit evaluation, the proposed changes will not result in any significant impacts to public health. We would like to offer the following responses to the questions you sent via e-mail.

1. What did the data show from the temporary air monitoring station placed off Somersville Road on air quality effects from the startup of Los Medanos Energy Center?

The District is not involved with or aware of any air monitoring station located in the vicinity of Somersville road in Pittsburg. Furthermore, the District has not been directly involved in any negotiations between Calpine and members of the community regarding the placement of an air quality monitoring station in the vicinity of the Los Medanos Energy Center.

2. What is the residual chemical content of the vaporized reclaimed sewage water that is vented into the air from the plant's cooling towers?

During the initial permitting process for the Delta and Los Medanos Energy Centers, both the BAAQMD and the California Energy Commission performed health risk assessments to determine the potential impact on public health from the chemicals present in the cooling tower water. Both facilities utilize tertiary treated wastewater from the Delta Diablo Sanitation District (DDSD). The type and quantity of chemicals present in the wastewater was based upon historical records of regular analyses performed by the DDSD. The results of the health risk assessments showed that the impact on public health would not be significant.

If you have any questions regarding the permit, please contact Dennis T. Jang at (415) 749-4707.

Sincerely yours,

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Steve A. Hill  
Acting Director of Engineering

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