



City of Carlsbad

Office of the Fire Chief

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Mr. Mike Monasmith
Siting Project Manager
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-15
Sacramento, CA 95814

CARLSBAD FIRE DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Dear Mr. Monasmith,

This letter is to express Carlsbad Fire Department's ongoing concern regarding the lack of accurate information related to the proposed Carlsbad Energy Center Project (CECP).

As you are aware, the Carlsbad Fire Department (CFD) has requested on numerous occasions that the Applicant, NRG, provide a comprehensive site map which incorporates topographical and elevation information. To date, these requests have gone unfulfilled. The site map that CFD is requesting should include not only relevant details regarding the CECP, but also boundary lines and project characteristics (where available) related to adjacent developments, such as: the widening of Interstate 5, improvements to the Carlsbad/Vista Sewer Interceptor, the Coastal Rail Trail, and the double tracking of the railroad.

The CECP represents a significant addition to the Encina Power Station industrial complex. As the local agency that is ultimately responsible for providing fire protection and emergency services, CFD believes it is appropriate to request sufficient information in order to provide its comments and suggestions on the proposed power plant to the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) during the licensing process.

CFD's preferred action would be for NRG to make available the information requested, and after a reasonable review period (60 days), CFD would be able to supply the Energy Commission with its comments.

Please be aware that without the requested information, CFD will be precluded from accurately assessing its ability to provide fire protection and emergency services to the power plant. If left unaddressed, the Fire Department will be forced to request that the Energy Commission incorporate a broad range of project conditions, up to and including the provision of private, onsite fire protection and emergency response.

I look forward to the timely resolution of the Carlsbad Fire Department's concerns. If you have any questions, please call me at (760) 931- 2141.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Crawford
Fire Chief

cc: Proof of Service List (Revised 2/18/2009)