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Public Comment Period Begins

Three Peaker Plants Get Preliminary OK for Title V Permits
Creed Energy Center, LLC.
Lambie Energy Center, LLC.
Goose Energy Center, LLC.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District has made a preliminary decision to grant Title V permits to the Creed, Lambie, and Goose Energy Centers for their peaker plant operations. All three plants are located in Suisun City in Solano County and are owned by the Calpine Corporation.

Peaker plants provide power and support to the electric grid during periods of high electricity demand. Each facility consists of one simple-cycle, gas—fired combustion turbine. The Creed Energy Center is located at 6150 Creed Road, the Lambie Energy Center is located at 5975 Lambie Road, and the Goose Haven Energy Center is located at 3853 Goose Haven Road.

The public comment period is from January 10, 2003 until February 14, 2003. During the public comment period, any member of the public may comment on any aspect of the proposed permits. A public hearing may also be scheduled. A copy of the proposed permit can be found:

- 1) At the Suisun City Library, 333 Sunset Ave, Suite 280, in Suisun City,
- 2) On the Air District web site at www.baagmd.gov (follow the Title V links),
- 3) At Air District headquarters, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco. For an appointment to review the permits call May Leung at (415) 749-4729.
- 4) For a hard copy of the permits, call the Public Information Office at (415) 749-4900 or write to: BAAQMD, Attn: Title V Permit Request, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109.

What is Title V?

Title V is part of the 1990 amendments to the Clean Air Act, and requires all state and local governments to develop and implement operating permits for all major pollution emitting facilities. The EPA oversees these permit programs and the Air District is charged with implementing them in the Bay Area, in accordance with Federal guidelines. The program is implemented in the Air District's Regulation 2, Rule 6.

Title V is intended to clarify the complex air quality permitting process by consolidating all federal, state, and local air pollution control regulations into one summary operating permit that covers all aspects of a facility's year-to-year air pollution activities. Public comment is important to the Title V process. A final decision will incorporate consideration of public comments on the proposal.