Notice Inviting Written Public Comment

Notice is hereby given that the Air Pollution Control Officer of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) has issued a Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) under application number 6481 for the Pico Power Plant Project, a 147-MW, natural gas-fired power plant to be located west of the intersection of Lafayette Street and Duane Avenue and immediately north of Silicon Valley Power's Kifer Receiving Station in the city of Santa Clara, Santa Clara County. The proposed plant will be owned and operated by Silicon Valley Power, the municipal utility owned by the City of Santa Clara. The PDOC documents the APCO's preliminary decision to issue a Determination of Compliance for the Pico Power Plant Project. If the Pico Project is certified by the California Energy Commision, the BAAQMD intends to issue an authority to construct.

The proposed power plant is projected to emit the following maximum quantities of regulated air pollutants:

Nitrogen Oxides	45.5 tons per year
Carbon Monoxide	49.5 tons per year
Precursor Organic Compounds	11.5 tons per year
Particulate Matter (PM10)	32.9 tons per year
Sulfur Dioxide	2.9 tons per year

The emissions of nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, precursor organic compounds, particulate matter (PM10), and sulfur dioxide associated with this project trigger the Best Available Control Technology (BACT) requirement of the District Regulation 2-2-301. The emissions of nitrogen oxides associated with this project trigger the emission offset requirements of District Regulation 2-2-302.

Pursuant to District Regulations 2-3-404 and 2-2-405, the Air Pollution Control Officer invites written public comment on the preliminary Determination of Compliance and its intended action.

The preliminary Determination of Compliance is available for public inspection at the Public Information and Outreach Office located on the 5th floor of District headquarters at 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109. The PDOC may also be viewed on the District website at www.baaqmd.gov. Written comments should be directed to Kenneth Lim, Principal Engineer, of the District Permit Services Division by June 23, 2003.

Dated at San Francisco, the 16 th day of May, 2003.

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