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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

NEO California Power LLC

Docket No. EL02-18-001

SETTLEMENT JUDGE'S FIFTH STATUS REPORT

(Issued November 17, 2003)

To the Commission and the Chief Judge:

1. By its order issued May 20, (all dates are 2003), 103 FERC ¶ 61,206, the Commission established settlement judge procedures. By his order issued June 2, the Chief designated me settlement judge. My first report was issued July 23; my second, August 15; my third, September 16; and my fourth, October 17.
2. Participants are still examining exchanged data and have not yet either called for, or rejected the idea of, another session, so I think it is still too early to say that an impasse has been reached. I recommend that settlement judge procedures be continued.

Respectfully submitted.



Joseph R. Nacy  
Settlement Judge