

October 26, 2009

Mr. Yakout Mansour  
Chief Executive Officer  
California ISO  
151 Blue Ravine Road  
Folsom, CA 95630

Re: *San Francisco's Potrero Power Plant*  
*October 29, 2009 Cal-ISO Meeting*

Dear Mr. Mansour:

We look forward to once again voicing our call to shut down the entire Potrero Power Plant when the Cal-ISO Board of Governors convenes later this week.

When the board last met on September 11, we learned that although your staff has agreed to remove the "must run" designation from the largest unit at the facility, Potrero Unit 3, when the Trans Bay Cable begins operation, staff insists that Units 4, 5, and 6 will still be needed.

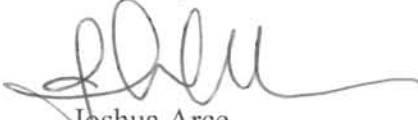
We know Cal-ISO can do better.

Ample evidence indicates that the entire Potrero Power Plant can be closed without posing reliability risks to San Francisco once the Trans Bay Cable is operational. For that reason, Mayor Gavin Newsom, City Attorney Dennis Herrera, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, and Senator Mark Leno have called for the entire Potrero Plant to be shuttered once the Trans Bay Cable is operational.


We will see you on October 29 to ask you, the Governors, and your staff to stand side-by-side with these political leaders, and the community-at-large, in closing one of the state's dirtiest power plants. Once again we call for Cal-ISO to 1) remove "must run" status from Potrero Unit 3 by December 31, 2009 and 2) within thirty days of the Trans Bay Cable becoming operational either remove the "must-run" designation on all of the facility's generating units or else provide analyses, based on actual system data, to San Francisco city officials as well as the Potrero Hill and Bayview-Hunters Point communities that proves the power plant is still needed.

We expect that by the time of your meeting you will have heard from an array of stakeholders, policymakers, environmental groups, and community leaders that now is the time for the California Independent System Operator to commit to shutting the entire Potrero Power Plant, standing up for environmental justice and committing to a renewable energy future for California and not one based on unnecessary dirty power plants.

Sincerely,



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