

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
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OFFICE OF ENERGY MARKET REGULATION

California Independent System
Operator Corporation
Docket No. ER12-556-000

January 30, 2012

Alston & Bird LLP
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950 F Street, NW
Washington, DC 20004

Attention: Michael Kunselman, Esq.
Counsel for the California Independent System
Operator Corporation

Reference: Non-Conforming Large Generator Interconnection Agreement

Dear Mr. Kunselman:

On December 6, 2011, you filed on behalf of California Independent System Operator (CAISO) a non-conforming Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) between the CAISO, San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E)¹, CSOLAR IV South LLC, and CSOLAR IV East, LLC (collectively, CSOLAR), and Tenaska Solar Management, LLC relating to the Imperial Solar Energy Center. You state that the LGIA utilizes the CAISO's *pro forma* LGIA but includes some variances due to the unique circumstances surrounding the interconnection of the CSOLAR facility.

Specifically, you state that the LGIA includes terms that permit the interconnection customer, under certain circumstances, to partially terminate the LGIA with respect to some but not all phases of the phased generating project. You further state these terms are necessary to provide the projects with a

¹ SDG&E submitted the same LGIA as a non-conforming interconnection service agreement on October 21, 2011 in Docket No. ER12-170-000. On November 29, 2011, the Commission accepted the non-conforming LGIA by *Letter Order*.

reasonable chance of achieving commercial operation. Waiver of the Commission's notice requirements pursuant to section 35.11 of the Commission's regulations (18 C.F.R. § 35.11) is granted,² and the non-conforming LGIA is accepted for filing, effective October 22, 2011, as requested.

This filing was noticed on December 7, 2011, with comments, protests or motions to intervene due on or before December 28, 2011. SDG&E and CSOLAR both filed supportive comments on December 16, 2011 and December 23, 2011, respectively. No protests or adverse comments were filed. Notices of intervention and unopposed timely filed motions to intervene are granted pursuant to the operation of Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.214). Any opposed or untimely filed motion to intervene is governed by the provisions of Rule 214.

This acceptance for filing shall not be construed as constituting approval of the referenced filing or of any rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation, or practice affecting such rates or services provided for in the filed documents; nor shall such acceptance be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation associated therewith; and such acceptance is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or any which may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against CAISO.

Authority to act on this matter is delegated to the Director, Division of Tariffs and Market Development - West, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307. This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Sincerely,

Steve P. Rodgers, Director
Division of Electric
Regulation-West

cc: All Parties

² *Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, et al.*, 60 FERC ¶ 61,106, *reh'g denied*, 61 FERC ¶ 61,089 (1992), and *Prior Notice and Filing Requirements Under Part II of the Federal Power Act*, 64, FERC ¶ 61,139, *clarified*, 65 FERC ¶ 61,081 (1993).