

March 1, 2007

County of San Bernardino Clerk of the Boards, Elizabeth Ramos 385 N. Arrowhead Avenue San Bernardino, CA 92415-0130

Ms. Ramos:

Enclosed please find two copies of the Notice of Determination (NOD) for the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) prepared for the Southern California Edison Etiwanda Peaker Project, Rancho Cucamonga (SCH #2006121109). The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for the proposed project was certified on March 1, 2007. Please record and post according to the provisions of CEQA.

The NOD contained herein is for permits to construct/operate for which the SCAQMD has prepared the Final MND. Enclosed is a check for \$50.00 required by the County of San Bernardino to post the NOD for 30 days in accordance with the provisions of CEQA Guidelines \$15075(e), which states that the NOD filed with the county clerk shall be available for public inspection and shall be posted by the county clerk within 24 hours of receipt for a period of at least 30 days.

SCAQMD has determined that the proposed project will not qualify for the "no effect" fee exemption in accordance with recently revised Department of Fish and Game Code §711.4, Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR) and, therefore, has submitted, on behalf of project proponent, Southern California Edison, the proper Fish and Game environmental filing fee of \$1,800 for a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Please confirm receipt of one copy of the NOD and return it to the undersigned in the self-addressed envelope enclosed. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (909) 396-3054.

Sincerely,

Steve Smith, Ph.D. Program Supervisor Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources

## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

<b>To</b> : 91765	Clerk of the Boards, Ms. Elizabeth Ramos County of San Bernardino 385 N. Arrowhead Avenue	From:	SCAQMD 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA
	San Bernardino, CA 92415-0130		
SUBJECT:	FILING OF NOTICE OF DETERMINATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH §21108 OR §21152 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE		
<b>Project Title</b> : Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Southern California Edison (SCE) Etiwanda Peaker Project, Rancho Cucamonga			
		<b>Date Certified</b> : Marca <b>Telephone Number</b> :	

Project Location: 8996 Etiwanda Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, California.

**Project Description:** SCE is proposing to build a small electricity generating unit called a "peaker" that will be capable of producing up to 45 MW of electricity on short notice during periods when the local electrical system needs power and local voltage support. The peaker unit can be started without power from the grid, an additional capability which helps to improve local reliability. The proposed peaker unit consists of a state-of-the-art General Electric natural gas-fired turbine generator plus a selective catalytic reduction system and an oxidation catalyst to reduce emissions to levels that meet or exceed all applicable local air quality emission standards. This peaker project will be located inside the fence of the existing Etiwanda substation. SCE chose this location because a natural gas supply line was nearby and because SCE was directed to site these peakers where they would most usefully provide the additional electricity supply and voltage support for the grid. The Final MND identified potentially significant adverse impacts to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, hazards, noise, and traffic/transportation, but revisions to the proposed project are expected to mitigate these effects to a point where clearly no significant effects would occur. No potentially significant adverse impacts were identified for any other environmental topic areas. Thus, the proposed project, as revised to include mitigation measures, is not expected to have a significant effect on the environment.

This is to advise that the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) as the Lead Agency for the above described project has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- 1. The proposed project as described in the Final MND will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
- 2. A Final MND was prepared and certified for this project by the SCAQMD pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of this project.
- 4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan was adopted for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Findings and a Statement of Overriding Considerations were not required for this project since no significant adverse impacts were identified.

The Final MND, supporting documentation, and record of project approval may be examined at: SCAQMD Headquarters, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

Signature:

Date Received for filing

Barry R. Wallerstein, D.Env. Executive Officer South Coast Air Quality Management District