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Arizona Corporation Commission
Utilities Division Director
1200 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007
Attention: Director



Re: Self-Certification Letter – Arizona Corporation Commission – Decision #63552
Control #L-00000V-00-0106 and Docket Control #L-00000V-01-0109

Dear Sir or Madam:

Gila Bend Power Partners, LLC (“GBPP” or “Applicant”) submits this self-certification letter pursuant to the above Decision Number for the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (“CEC”) for Applicant’s project in Gila Bend, Arizona. The construction of the subject power generation station and site referenced in the CEC Decision has been delayed due to market conditions.

On or about December 5, 2006, the Arizona Corporation Commission issued Decision Number 69177 extending the expiration date of this CEC until February 7, 2011 (the “First Extension Order”), and the CEC was subsequently extended to February 7, 2018 pursuant to ACC Decision Number 72188 docketed February 15, 2011 (the “Second Extension Order”). The First Extension Order added nine additional conditions to the existing CEC, including among them the requirement that GBPP file a self-certification letter on or before August 1, 2007 and each August 1st thereafter describing the conditions met as of June 30 for the reporting year. The First Extension Order did not specifically state whether the new August self-certification letter was *in addition to* or *in lieu of* the annual certification letter GBPP has filed each February, nor did it indicate which of the CEC conditions were to be addressed in each letter. As it has in years past, GBPP is filing this self-certification letter addressing the original CEC conditions and will file an additional August letter addressing GBPP’s compliance efforts as of June 30th with the CEC conditions contained in the First Extension Order. The Second Extension Order does not add any additional conditions appropriate for self-certification.

The activities relating to the initial conditions established by the CEC document are as follows and reference numbers correspond to the conditions as numbered in the original CEC:

1. Construction and operation of the power generation station will comply with applicable air and water pollution control standards and regulations, and with all applicable ordinances, master plans, and regulations of the State of Arizona, the County of Maricopa, the United States, and any other governmental entity having jurisdiction.
2. Applicant's CEC has been extended to February 7, 2018 pursuant to Commission Decision No. 72188 docketed February 15, 2011.
3. Not applicable at this time.
4. The Interconnect Agreement with the transmission provider will be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission when completed and signed.
5. GBPP is a member of the Western Electric Coordinating Council formerly known as the Western Systems Coordinating Council. The Reliability Management System ("RMS") generator agreement will be filed with the Commission as part of the control area operator's master RMS agreement.
6. Not applicable at this time.
7. Not applicable at this time.
8. The NO_x emissions requirements for the project, as established by Maricopa County, Department of Environmental Quality, as a maximum, will not exceed 2.5 ppm.
9. The design for the project will meet HUD or EPA residential noise guidelines or OSHA worker safety standards.
10. The project substation and switchyard design is based on a breaker and one-half scheme.
11. GBPP has entered into a Development Agreement with the Town of Gila Bend encompassing this requirement.
12. GBPP's plant construction planning will encompass plans for the utilization of low profile structures, moderate stacks, neutral colors, compatible landscaping and low intensity directed lighting.
13. GBPP's plant design will be consistent with the land management plan submitted as Exhibit A-8 filed among the papers of Decision No. 63552. In addition, GBPP

will utilize natural screening along the entire southern and western boundaries of the plant site.

14. GBPP identified Arizona institutions of higher education with whom to partner on research activities regarding salt cedar-resistant vegetation, and will commence same prior to initiation of construction.
15. GBPP has obtained a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility which meets this requirement, Decision Number 65886, which was extended to February 7, 2018 by Decision Number 72176.
16. The project design can accommodate two transmission lines emanating from the plant switchyard.
17. GBPP is a member of WECC and has recently participated in Joint meetings and has sent a representative to training through WECC.
18. Not applicable at this time.

The items of the CEC conditions not addressed in the above Self-certification Letter are part of the overall project plan, and will be included in the plan as required by the CEC document.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact the undersigned.

Regards,

GILA BEND POWER PARTNERS, LLC

By: Sammons Power Development, Inc.,
Its Managing Member

By: 
Adam H. Alexander, Assistant Secretary

cc: Arizona Corporation Commission, Compliance Section
Arizona Corporation Commission, Docket Control Center

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