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### Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Report

May 15, 2012

Dear Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties:

Subject:

Notice of Availability of the Draft EIR for the

Scattergood Generating Station Unit 3 Repowering Project

(SCH #201101179)

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for consideration of the Scattergood Generating Station Unit 3 Repowering Project. LADWP is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

#### **Project Location**

Scattergood Generating Station (SGS) is located at 12700 Vista Del Mar in the City of Los Angeles. Primary access is off of Vista Del Mar on the western boundary of the SGS property. Secondary access is off of Grand Avenue, which divides the SGS property into northern and southern parcels. Dockweiler State Beach is located to the west of SGS and Vista Del Mar. The approximately 130-acre Hyperion Treatment Plant (HTP), which also services the City of Los Angeles, is located to the north of SGS. Residential neighborhoods are located to the northeast and east of SGS and a 1.5-square-mile Chevron Corporation oil refinery is located to the south. See the attached map for the regional location of SGS.

#### **Project Description**

LADWP proposes to remove the existing SGS electrical generation Unit 3 from operation and replace its generating capacity with modern high-efficiency generation units constructed within the SGS property boundaries. Existing Unit 3 is a natural gas-fired steam boiler generation unit that was put into operation in 1974. It has a maximum gross generating capacity of 460 megawatts (MW). The generation units that would replace Unit 3 under the proposed project would have a gross generating capacity of up to 590 MW, depending on the type and configuration of the units provided. As part of the proposed project, LADWP would also physically and permanently derate (i.e., reduce the generating capacity of) the existing SGS generation Unit 1 by the necessary amount such that there would be no increase in the total gross generating capacity of the station. The proposed project would also include associated cooling units, pollution control systems, and ancillary facilities necessary for the operation of the new generation units. Existing Unit 3 would also be demolished under the proposed project.

#### Impacts of the Project

The Draft EIR found that implementation of the project may result in significant environment impacts to air quality; cultural resources; hazards and hazardous wastes; and noise. The

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analysis in this EIR shows that the only significant environmental impact of the project that would be unavoidable (could not be mitigated to a level of less than significant) relates to air quality during construction and commissioning of the equipment.

Hazardous Waste Disclosure

Per Section 15087 (c)(6) of the CEQA Guidelines, the proposed project is not on any of the lists enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code.

#### Public Review of the Draft EIR

The 46 day public review period for the Draft EIR will commence on Thursday, May 17, 2012, and conclude on Monday, July 2, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. A copy of the Draft EIR will also be posted at <a href="https://www.ladwp.com/envnotices">www.ladwp.com/envnotices</a>. Copies of the Draft EIR are available for review at LADWP or the following locations:

Repository Site and Phone Number	Address
El Segundo Public Library	111 West Mariposa Avenue
(310) 524-2722	El Segundo, CA 90245
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#### **Ways to Submit Comments**

During the public review period, written comments concerning the adequacy of the Draft EIR may be submitted by mail or email. Comments must be submitted by Monday, July 2, 2012. Written responses will be prepared for inclusion in the Final EIR following the public review period.

Please mail or email your comments and direct any questions to:

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