



ENERGY NORTHWEST

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James O. Luce
Chair, Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
925 Plum Street SE, Building 4
Olympia, WA 98504-3172

Dear Chair Luce:

Subject: **PACIFIC MOUNTAIN ENERGY CENTER
REQUESTED START OF ADJUDICATORY PROCESS**

We are ready to continue the permitting of the Pacific Mountain Energy Center (PMEC) and request that the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) start the adjudicatory process by issuing the Notice of Intervention. Energy Northwest appreciates EFSEC's willingness to defer our proceedings in order for us to evaluate the implications of Senate Bill 6001 (SB6001). We have now completed our evaluation and are ready to move forward.

Attached is a schedule proposing the notice issuance be approved by the EFSEC at the July 10 meeting. This would place the adjudicatory hearings towards the end of October, an EFSEC recommendation on the project by the end of 2007, and the decision by the Governor in first quarter of 2008.

In compliance with SB6001, we are preparing a Greenhouse Gas reduction plan, and will submit it to EFSEC together with our prefiled testimony in July.

We look forward to working with all stakeholders to develop a predictable, reliable path forward for PMEC that allows us to keep the substantial economic benefit of a \$1.5 billion construction project in Washington; especially given the economic challenges facing Cowlitz County in recent years.

In summary, we request that EFSEC start of the adjudicatory process.

If you have any questions, please contact Tom Krueger at 509.377.4761 or Ted Beatty at 509.372.5531.

Respectfully yours,

J.W. Baker, Vice President
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Enclosures: Revised Draft Pacific Mountain Energy Center Schedule

REVISED DRAFT PACIFIC MOUNTAIN ENERGY CENTER SCHEDULE

Event	Est. Relative Date	Estimated EIS Date	Estimated Hearing Date
Application filed – 9/12/06			
EFSEC finalizes scope of DEIS		2/13/07	
Preliminary DEIS submitted to EFSEC		3/5/07	
EFSEC review of PDEIS	3 weeks from submittal	3/26/07	
Revised PDEIS submitted	3 weeks from receipt of comments	4/16/07	
DEIS approved and printed	3 weeks from submittal	5/7/07	
EFSEC issues DEIS	1 week from printing	5/14/07	
Close of comments on DEIS	DEIS + 30 days	6/13/07	
Begin work on preparing FEIS		6/14/07	
EFSEC issues Notice of Intervention (NOI)			7/17/07
EN prefiled testimony and exhibits due			7/27/07
Deadline to file for intervention and to raise issues for consideration in hearing	NOI + 30 days		8/16/07
Response to interventions and issue lists	NOI + 35 days		8/21/07
Prehearing conference/ruling on intervention and issue lists	NOI + 36 days		8/22/07
Submit Preliminary FEIS to EFSEC		9/17/07	
Other parties' prefiled testimony and exhibits due	EN Prefiled + 60 days		9/25/07
EFSEC Review of PFEIS	4 weeks from submittal	10/15/07	
EN prefiled rebuttal testimony and exhibits due	Intervenor prefiled + 21 days		10/17/07
Hearing (includes public comment; comment on air, wastewater permits; and as needed land use consistency)	EN rebuttal + 10 days (the following Monday)		10/29-11/1/07
Revised PFEIS submitted	4 weeks from receipt of comments	11/12/07	
Post-hearing briefs	Hearing + 14 days		11/15/07
Post-hearing reply briefs	Hearing + 21 days (the Monday following Thanksgiving)		11/26/07
FEIS approved and printed	3 weeks from PFEIS submittal	12/3/07	
EFSEC issues FEIS	Concurrent with Final Order	12/17/07	
EFSEC Issuance of Final Order	23 days after briefs		12/19/07
Governor's Action			Feb. 2008