



January 20, 2011

Iain Fisher, Project Manager
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Dudek
605 Third Street
Encinitas, CA 92024

Re: Proposed Tule Wind Power Project

Dear Mr. Fisher:

On behalf of CleanTECH San Diego, I am writing to express strong support for the certification of the EIR/EIS for the Tule Wind Power project. This project is important to the San Diego region and will provide renewable energy to more than 60,000 homes in the county. Furthermore, the project will help the state of California come one step closer to meeting its renewable energy goals.

CleanTECH San Diego is a nonprofit trade association focused on supporting San Diego's transition to a clean energy economy. We have a broad and diverse membership that includes private sector members such as Bank of America, Viridity Energy, Waste Management, Honeywell, Synthetic Genomics, and Kyocera Solar, as well as local governments, nongovernmental agencies and universities and research institutes. We are intensely interested in enabling technologies to ensure that we maximize the potential benefit of the clean energy economy in our region.

The Tule Wind Power project will create approximately 325 jobs during construction and 12 permanent jobs for local residents. Not only will this bring the County of San Diego \$5 million per year in tax revenue, but it will also help to boost our local economy and support the growing clean technology industry. Supporting this project would further San Diego's role as a leader in clean technology.

In summary, we believe McCain Valley is the optimal region for the Tule Wind project. The mitigation measures proposed in the EIR will address the issues of concern regarding the placement of the wind farm. By keeping the Tule Wind Power project at its currently proposed size, San Diego will be increasing its natural power sources in a sustainable and responsible manner. I urge you to certify the EIR/EIS and allow the Tule Wind Power project to proceed as proposed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa Bicker".

Lisa Bicker
President and CEO