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Mr. Eric K. Solorio, Project Manager
Siting, Transmission and Environmental Protection (STEP) Division
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-2000
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Letter of Support for Quail Brush Generation Project

Dear Mr. Solorio:

On behalf of CleanTECH San Diego, I am pleased to express my support for the Quail Brush Generation Project (Quail Brush). This project is important to the San Diego region and will provide significant public benefits, including tax revenues, approximately 150 construction jobs and 11 full-time operation jobs. About 90 percent of hiring is expected to be local.

CleanTECH San Diego is a nonprofit association focused on accelerating the greater San Diego region's transition to a clean energy economy. We have a broad and diverse membership that includes private sector companies, local governments, nongovernmental agencies and universities and research institutions.

Our mission is to stimulate innovation and advance the adoption of clean technologies and sustainable industry practices for the economic, environmental and social benefit of the greater San Diego region. Renewable energy is an important part of achieving this goal, as is ensuring a reliable power supply for residents and local businesses, especially at a time when we're facing the retirement of older power plants and the current shut down of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. Quail Brush will also help support the further development of clean, renewable energy by generating power quickly and efficiently when wind and solar resources suddenly become unavailable.

We need our leaders to make the right choices for a cleaner future. At the appropriate time, I urge the California Energy Commission to support the Quail Brush Generation Project.

Sincerely,

Jason Anderson