

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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To: Generating Asset Owners

Date: June 14, 2005

Subject: Submission of GADS Data to NERC, and Authorization for Release

As you are aware, in our letter of July 26, 2004, CPSD instructed Generating Asset Owners (GAOs) to submit Generating Availability Data System (GADS) data to the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC), and asked GAOs to sign an Authorization for Release of GADS data. Below we clarify what information GAOs must provide to NERC, request that you execute a new release form, and describe how to request confidential treatment of GADS data.

First, we clarify that our requests that GAOs submit data to NERC apply only to fossil-fueled plants facilities 10 megawatts or greater. We are not asking GAOs to submit data for hydroelectric, wind, or geothermal facilities of any size, nor for fossil-fueled plants facilities smaller than 10 megawatts.

Second, we clarify that fossil-fueled plants 10 megawatts or greater, but less than 50 megawatts, are required to submit GADS data to NERC beginning with the 4th quarter of 2004, on a going-forward basis. The data submitted should include all fields required by NERC, for each unit at your facility.

Third, as stated in our website, fossil-fueled plants 50 megawatts or greater are required to submit GADS data to NERC beginning January 1, 1998 to the present time, and continuing on a going-forward basis. The data submitted should include all fields required by NERC, for each unit at your facility. Our previous letter did not specifically reference data for periods previous to the 4th quarter of 2004, however, this request is clearly authorized by section 10.3.4 of the Commission's General Order (G.O.) 167. Please submit this historical data to NERC no later than January 31, 2006.

Finally, as authorized by section 10.2 of G.O. 167, we have requested access to all data in the GADS database concerning each of your generating facilities in California, regardless of the date that data was submitted or the period covered by that data. Because our previous letter may not have been clear on this point, we have included a new Authorization for Release form.

The attached Authorization for Release should be completed by GAOs which either have submitted GADS data to NERC or are requested to do so above. The form authorizes the release of any and all GADS data in NERC's possession, including all time periods for which data is maintained by NERC. We clarify that this authorization covers data from every generating unit in California, including but not limited to hydroelectric, wind, or geothermal units, and fossil-fueled units smaller than 10 megawatts. Please sign the attached Authorization for Release, and return the original by July 25, 2005 to:

Mr. G. Michael Curley, Manager
GADS Services
North American Electric Reliability Council
116-390 Village Boulevard
Princeton, NJ 08540

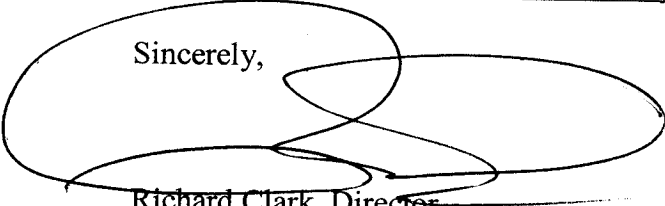
With a copy to:

GADS Coordinator
Electric Generation Performance Branch
California Public Utilities Commission
Consumer Protection and Safety Division
505 Van Ness Avenue, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94105

A GAO may request confidential treatment of any or all of its GADS data by following the procedures in G.O. 167, section 15.4. Please make the request in letter form, with copies to Randy Wu, General Counsel, and to Charlyn Hook, Attorney. A completed confidentiality request under section 15.4 will provisionally ensure that the data is not publicly disclosed. The Commission will follow the procedures in G.O. 66-C prior to disclosure, meaning that Commission staff may not disclose the GADS data. The full Commission, however, may release the data if it votes to do so in a noticed, public meeting.

If you have any questions regarding NERC GADS, please contact the CSPD Power Plant hotline at (415) 355-5503, or Michael Curley of NERC at (801) 756-0972 or via his email address mike.curley@nerc.net.

Sincerely,



Richard Clark, Director
Consumer Protection and Safety Division

Cc: Michael Curley / NERC
David Cook / NERC

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF DATA

The undersigned hereby authorizes the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC) to release to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) any and all GADS data in its possession, for all time periods for which NERC maintains data, and for every generation unit owned by the undersigned.

Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Name of Company

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date: _____, 2005