



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

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REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON TENTATIVE TIME SCHEDULE ORDER (TSO) – AES REDONDO BEACH, LLC; REDONDO BEACH GENERATING STATION; REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NUMBER CA0001201, CI NUMBER 6113)

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Water Board) has completed a review of the request for Time Schedule Order (TSO) submitted by AES Redondo Beach LLC (Discharger) on September 15, 2021. The request stated that due to grid reliability issues identified by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and the Statewide Advisory Committee on Cooling Water Intake Structures (SACCWIS), the generating units previously scheduled for shutdown by December 31, 2021 will be required to continue operation beyond that date. As a result, the Discharger will need additional time to achieve compliance with the requirements of the Statewide Water Quality Control Policy on the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Waters for Power Plant Cooling (OTC Policy) and Order No. R4-2016-0222, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for this discharge. In response to your request we have prepared the enclosed tentative TSO.

In accordance with administrative procedures, the Regional Water Board at a public hearing to be held at the Board's regularly scheduled meeting on **December 9, 2021**, at 9:00 a.m., will consider the enclosed tentative TSO and comments submitted in writing regarding any and all portions thereof. The Board will hear any testimony pertinent to the tentative TSO. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing, however, as testimony dictates, the Board, at its discretion, may postpone taking action.

Written comments pertaining to this proposed Board action must be submitted by mail or emailed to losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov with a copy to thomas.siebels@waterboards.ca.gov and received at the Board's office by 5:00 p.m. on November 19, 2021. Please reference the comments as "Comments on tentative TSO, AES Redondo Beach LLC, Redondo Beach Generating Station, CA0001201". Pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, untimely submittal of written comments or evidence will not be allowed or accepted into the Administrative Record without a showing of good cause for the delay, and in no event if any party or the Board would be unduly prejudiced by the late submittal including if staff or the Regional Water Board would not have an adequate opportunity to review, consider, and

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prepare responses to the comments or evidence. Additionally, if the Board receives only supportive comments, the permit may be placed on the Board's consent calendar and approved without oral testimony.

If you have any further questions, please contact Thomas Siebels at thomas.siebels@waterboards.ca.gov

Sincerely,

Bronwyn Kelly Industrial Permitting Unit Chief

Enclosures:

Tentative Time Schedule Order

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