



NRG California South LP
Ormond Beach Generating Station
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Mr. Thomas Howard
Executive Director
State Water Resources Board
Division of Water Quality, 15th Floor
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: Once-Through Cooling Policy Implementation Plan Update for Ormond Generating Station;
Letter dated November 6, 2016**

Dear Mr. Howard,

NRG California South LP ("NRG"), owner of the Ormond Beach Generating Station (OBGS), submits its response to the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) November 7, 2016 letter in which the SWRCB requested the most current information for OBGS pursuant to the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Water for Power Plant Cooling (Policy) and California Water Code §13383. NRG previously reported the future compliance mechanisms for OBGS to the SWRCB in letters submitted on November 7, 2013, February 12, 2016, and May 6, 2016. NRG respectfully responds to the questions posed by the SWRCB in the November 7, 2016 letter, as follows:

1. *Has any of the above information changed? If so, please explain.*

None of the information recited by the SWRCB in NRG's May 6, 2016 letter has changed. NRG intends to retire OBGS by the OTC compliance deadline of December 31, 2020, and does not expect to continue to operate OBGS beyond the OTC compliance deadline.

2. *If retirement is still being pursued, have the planned shutdown dates already been determined? If so, please provide these dates.*

NRG is planning to shutdown OBGS on or before the OTC compliance deadline of December 31, 2020 in compliance with the OTC Policy.

3. *Is there any other information that the State Water Board should be made aware?*

There is no other information that the SWRCB should be made aware.

I anticipate the above information has addressed the SWRCB's questions regarding OBGS's Implementation Plan. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at george.piantka@nrg.com or (760) 710-2156.

Sincerely,
NRG California South LP

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