

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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FROM: TLMA - Planning Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:
September 16, 2010

SUBJECT: FIRST EXTENSION OF TIME FOR COMMERCIAL WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS (WECS) PERMIT NO. 115 – Applicant: Whitewater Energy Corporation – Fifth Supervisorial District – Painted Hills Zoning District – Western Coachella Valley Area Plan: Rural: Rural Desert (R: RD) (10 Acre Minimum) and Rural: Rural Mountainous (10 Acre Minimum) – Location: Northerly of I-10 westerly of Marion Road – 48 Acres Gross – Zoning: Wind Energy Resource Zone (W-E) – **APPROVED PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project proposes to install two wind turbines rated for 3.0 MW of electrical power production each, on top of towers, for an overall height of up to 411 feet. – **REQUEST:** FIRST EXTENSION OF TIME to October 17, 2010.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

APPROVAL of the **FIRST EXTENSION OF TIME REQUEST** for COMMERCIAL WECS PERMIT NO. 115, extending the expiration date to October 17, 2010, subject to all the previously approved and/or amended Conditions of Approval with the applicant's consent.

BACKGROUND:

The applicant has requested review of the original WECS No. 115 conditions in their letter dated June 8, 2010. Additional letters from the applicant concerning proposed condition changes were provided by email on August 2, 2010 and August 4, 2010. Staff has met with the applicant and coordinated with the affected County Departments to update existing conditions of approval

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DATE 9/20/10
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Departmental Concurrence

Dep't Recomm.: Policy Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Consent

Prev. Agn. Ref.

District: Fifth

Agenda Number:

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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as much as possible, but not all the changes requested were agreed to, due to ordinance requirements and previous changes already made by the Board of Supervisors in 2006 when the permit was first approved. Staff is recommending changing the status of 10 conditions from "Ineffect" to "Not Apply" or "Deleted;" and is recommending modifying the language of 6 other conditions contained in this Board package. Staff recommends approval of the First Extension of Time with the attached condition changes.