

October 25, 2007

Mr. Chris Bazar
Planning Director
Alameda County Planning Department
224 West Winton Avenue #111
Hayward, CA 94544

Dear Mr. Bazar:

The "Wind Power Companies" (as described in the Altamont Settlement Agreement) have recently participated in discussions with the Scientific Review Committee and other parties regarding next steps to reduce avian mortality in the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area.

As a result of our discussions, the Wind Power Companies are pleased to agree to implement certain "mid-course corrections" pursuant to Sections 3(b) and (c)(iii) of the Settlement Agreement:

1. At the County's request, the Wind Power Companies agree to completely cease their respective operations from November 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007, and will resume full operations on January 1, 2008. This shutdown is in lieu of the "cross-over" two month shutdown set forth in Section 4 of the Settlement Agreement and Section 3.c. of Exhibit G-1 to the Permit. These actions will be coordinated with the monitoring team to optimize the monitoring process.
2. We heard the interest of the SRC or some of its members in coming out to the wind farms and helping to identify high risk turbines. The Wind Power Companies would like to enhance the involvement of the SRC by inviting the SRC members to review our operations on site at some time prior to the December 2007 SRC meetings, preferably no later than November 15. This review would be conducted for the purpose of receiving detailed SRC recommendations for Tier 3 turbine shutdowns or relocations scheduled to take place in 2008. We would like to have this list in place by December 15, 2007.
3. If SRC Tier 3 review above can be accomplished in a timely fashion, the Wind Power Companies propose to accelerate the Tier 3 shutdown & relocation program by completing a substantial portion of that work no later than March 31, 2008. To the extent that the SRC and companies cannot agree on a revised list of Tier 3 turbines in a timely fashion, the companies shall remove the existing Tier 3 turbines.

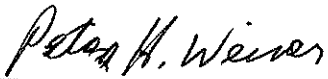
The Wind Power Companies believe that these three activities constitute minor changes to the implementation of the avian protection program and would not require permit modifications if agreed to by the County Planning Director.

The actions listed above reflect our best judgment of what needs to be done at this time to improve the Altamont's avian protection program. No other provisions of the Settlement Agreement or CUPs shall be affected or modified as a result of the approval of these mid-course corrections.

We look forward to implementing the above actions. Please let us know if you approve these actions pursuant to Section 3(b) and/or Section 3(c)(iii) of the Settlement Agreement.

Sincerely,

THE ALTAMONT WIND POWER COMPANIES



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