

CITY OF PASADENA

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

To: All Interested Parties

From: City of Pasadena Environmental Administrator Planning and Development 175 N. Garfield Ave.
Pasadena, CA 91101-7125

ATTENTION: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED THRU JANUARY 31, 2013

PROPERTY INFORMATION

APPLICATION NUMBER:

APPLICANT NAME:

PROJECT SITE ADDRESS:

ZONING DISTRICT:

GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION:

Glenarm Repowering Project Conditional Use Permit #5804

Pasadena Water and Power, City of Pasadena

43 E. State St. / 72 E. Glenarm St., Pasadena, CA 91105

IG-SP2-HL-56 AND IG-SP2-AD2

SP-2 (South Fair Oaks Specific Plan)

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The City of Pasadena has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the proposed Glenarm Power Plant Repowering Project, which includes replacing existing steam generating Unit B-3 (located at the Broadway Plant) with a new combined-cycle power generating unit with an estimated capacity of 71 MW (designated as Unit GT-5) at the Glenarm Plant. An associated steam generator stack would be approximately 125 feet in height, similar to four existing stacks at the Glenarm Plant for Units GT-1 through GT-4. The Draft EIR analyzed the following potential impacts: Aesthetics, Air Quality, Historic Resources, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards & Hazardous Materials, Land Use & Planning, Noise, and Utilities (Water Supply). Draft EIR analysis determined that the proposed project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts related to Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Land Use & Planning. All other impacts were found to be less than significant or less than significant with mitigation measures incorporated.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: On the Glenarm Plant, the project proposes the installation of a new 71-MW combined-cycle power-generating unit (GT-5) to replace existing steam-generating Unit B-3; construction of an approximately 19,000 square-foot administrative office/control room facility within the Glenarm Building, together with hazardous materials abatement and equipment removal; seismic improvements to the Glenarm Building to enable its designation as an essential facility in compliance with applicable State Building Code structural requirements; and improved parking for 45 vehicles. The project also proposes closure (without vacation) of a portion of State Street south of the Glenarm Plant; incorporation into the Glenarm Plant of a one-acre parcel south of State Street; modification and expansion of the existing 4,000-square-foot Pump Building on this parcel to house maintenance, machine, and welding shops to serve the power plant; and surface parking for 14 vehicles. Associated infrastructure improvements are proposed on the Glenarm and Broadway Plants. All trees on the project site are public trees, and no native or protected trees will be affected.

APPROVALS NEEDED: The Draft EIR will be circulated for an additional 45 days to receive public comments. Implementation of the proposed project requires certification of the EIR, adoption of Mitigation Measures, a Mitigation Monitoring Program, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations. Specific land use entitlements sought include: Conditional Use Permit to allow expansion of a Major Utility land use; a Variance to allow a 125-foot stack exceeding the 56-foot height limit in the IG-SP2-HL56 zoning district; a Variance to allow parking along the Fair Oaks Avenue frontage within the South

Fair Oaks Specific Plan Area; and a Street Closure (Without Vacation) of a portion of State Street immediately south of the Glenarm Plant.

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SITES: The project site is not listed on a hazardous material list pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: Comments on the Draft EIR may be received in writing from **November 5**, **2012 through January 31**, **2013** and orally at the public hearing considering this document. Written comments should be sent to *Robert Avila*, *Management Analyst IV at 85 East State Street*, *Pasadena*, *CA 91105-3418*. If you wish to challenge the Draft EIR in court, you may be limited to raising those issues that you or someone else raised in writing, or at any public hearing or meetings where these documents were considered.

AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION: Upon release, the Draft EIR document may be viewed at the following locations:

Pasadena Permit Center (175 N. Garfield Avenue)

Central Library (285 E. Walnut Street)

On the web: http://www.ci.pasadena.ca.us/Planning/Environmental_Notices/

For additional information, contact:

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