

CHAPTER II

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS

A. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT MILESTONES

The CEQA EIR process for SCG's application to value and sell surplus property at Playa del Rey and Marina del Rey began with publication of a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an EIR in September 2003 and has lead up to the finalization of an EIR in February 2005. The public involvement milestones included the following:

- The CPUC issued the NOP on September 2, 2003, and distributed it to the State Clearinghouse (SCH No. 2003091003) and federal, State, and local trustees and agencies. Copies of the NOP were mailed out to agencies, organizations, and individuals on the service list.
- The Notice of Preparation was noticed in the LA Times on September 2, 2003 and September 11, 2003, in the Daily Breeze on September 4, 2003 and September 9, 2003, and in the Argonaut on September 4, 2003 and September 11, 2003.
- Six letters were received from public agencies and local residents during the NOP scoping period.
- The Notice of Availability (NOA) of the Draft EIR along with a CD copy of the Draft EIR was mailed to agencies, organizations, and individuals on the service list in June 2004. The NOA included information on how to gain access to the Draft EIR, information on alternatives, and the date, time, and location for the CPUC's public meeting.
- The CPUC issued the Draft EIR on June 4, 2004, including a detailed analysis of impacts in ten environmental disciplines, and an evaluation of alternatives to the proposed sale, including the No Project Alternative. CD copies of Draft EIR were sent to agencies, organizations, and individuals on the service list and to 2 libraries used as document repositories. Additional copies of the Executive Summary and of the CDs with the text of the Draft EIR were available at the public meeting held on June 28, 2004. The public comment period for the Draft EIR ended July 19, 2004.
- Newspaper notices, including information on the Draft EIR, the project website address, and the dates and times of the public meeting, were printed in the Argonaut on June 17, 2004 and June 24, 2004 and in the Daily Breeze and the LA Times on June 15, 2004 and June 24, 2004.

- A public meeting was held on June 28, 2004, at the Westchester Municipal Building Community Room, located at 7166 W. Manchester Street in Los Angeles, California.

A list of persons, organizations, and public agencies commenting on the Draft EIR, the comments received on the Draft EIR, and responses to the comments are provided in Section 3 of this Final EIR.

B. EIR INFORMATION AND REPOSITORY SITES

Two repository sites were established for citizens to view the EIR documents and make copies of them. In addition, copies of documents have been made available at the CPUC offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Copies of the Draft EIR are available to the public on the Internet and at the locations listed below. Information and copies of the Draft EIR could also be requested via the project voicemail/fax hotline or via the project email address.

Internet Website: The following website included all public documents prepared for the proposed sale. In addition, the website included all announcements of public meetings:

<http://www.playadivest.com>

Lloyd Taber- Marina del Rey Library 4533 Admiralty Way Marina Del Rey, CA 90292	Westchester - Loyola Village Branch Library 7114 W. Manchester Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90045	California Public Utilities Commission 320 West 4th Street, Ste. 500 Los Angeles, CA 90013	California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102
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C. PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

In compliance with CEQA Guidelines, the CPUC provided a public review period of 45 days for the Draft EIR. The CPUC allowed written comments on the Draft EIR to be submitted by mail, email, and/or facsimile. The comments received by the CPUC during the public review period are reproduced in this Final EIR along with responses to comments.

D. PUBLIC MEETING

On June 28, 2004, the CPUC hosted a public meeting to hear comments on the Draft EIR for the proposed sale. Approximately 40 people attended the meeting. Groups represented at the meeting included Grassroots Coalition, Wetlands Action Network, Sierra Club, Spirit of the Sage Council, and Southern California Gas Company. (See Chapter III.F for public meeting comments and responses to those comments)