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December 21, 2011

Secretary Steven Chu  
U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20585

Re: Docket Number PP-334 – Energia Sierra Juarez

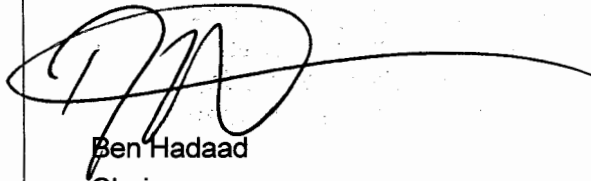
Dear Secretary Chu:

The San Diego Business Leadership Alliance (BLA) would like to express our support for a Presidential Permit to construct the Energia Sierra Juarez wind project (ESJ) being developed by Semptra Generation in Baja California.

BLA is an organization comprised of over thirty local business organizations - including local chambers, economic development councils and industry groups - from throughout the San Diego region. Our organization is dedicated to economic development and to growing jobs for our region. We believe that the ESJ project will help to both bring reliability to our electric infrastructure and help to meet the State's 33% Renewable Portfolio Standard, important goals to insure the ability of our region to grow jobs. California and Baja already share critical transmission interconnections, and we consider the San Diego/Imperial County/Baja area to be a single economic mega-region.

We appreciate your attention to this matter. Please take action now to ensure the economic prosperity and energy reliability of San Diego County.

Sincerely,



Ben Hadaad  
Chairman


Cc: Senator Dianne Feinstein  
Senator Barbara Boxer  
Supervisor Greg Cox  
Supervisor Dianne Jacob  
Supervisor Plan Slater-Price  
Supervisor Ron Roberts  
Supervisor Bill Horn  
Patrick Brown, County of San Diego  
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