BEFORE THE NEVADA ENERGY DIRECTOR NEVADA STATE OFFICE OF ENERGY

In the Matter of the Application of:)	
Patua Project, LLC))	AFN: 12-0426G
)	

August 29, 2012

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held before the Nevada Energy Director ("Director") regarding the above application at the following date, time, and location:

Monday, September 24, 2012 2PM Nevada State Office of Energy 755 N. Roop Street, Suite 202 Carson City, NV 89701

To Participate via Telephone: Conference Dial-in Number: (641) 715-3200 NSOE Access Code: 649969* Participant Access Code: 649969#

The hearing is being held pursuant to NRS 701A.360 (5) to determine whether the Application filed by Patua Project, LLC, with the Nevada State Office of Energy ("NSOE") on July 5, 2012 for the construction of a geothermal facility, meets the tax abatement criteria established in NRS 701A.300 through 701A.390 and adopted regulation LCB File No. R094-10 and is, therefore, entitled to partial abatement of sales and use taxes and property tax as provided in NRS 701A.300 through 701A.390. The hearing shall be considered a contested case pursuant to NRS chapter 233B and shall be held and decided openly and publicly. Patua Project, LLC and all other parties are entitled to present testimony of witnesses, to introduce evidence, and to cross-examine witnesses. Patua Project, LLC and other parties may be represented by legal counsel of their choice.

Pursuant to Section 23 of the applicable but as yet uncodified regulations (presently known as LCB File No. R094-10), the following entities or people may participate in this hearing as a party: (1) The Director of NSOE; (2) The Chief of the Budget Division of the Nevada Department of Administration; (3) The Nevada Department of Taxation; (4) The Board of County Commissioners of the county in which the project or facility will be located; (5) The County Assessor of the county in which the project or facility will be located; (6) The County Treasurer of the county in which the project or facility will be located; (7) the governing body of any city or town in which the project or facility is located; and (8) Governor's Office of Economic Development. Any person or entity that desires to participate as a party in the hearing of this matter must file with the Director a notice of its intention to participate in a form as described in Section 23 of LCB File No. R094-10.

If the person or entity is a **state entity**, it must file the notice of intent to participate in a form with the Director, Re: **AFN 12-0426G** by e-mail to at smartens@energy.nv.gov. and provide a copy of the notice of intent to participate in a form to the applicant's legal counsel, Brent Keele at bkeele@mcdonaldcarano.com no later than September 6, 2012.

If the person or entity is or represents a **county, city, or township**, it must file the notice of intent in a form to participate with the Director, Re: **AFN 12-0426G** by e-mail to at smartens@energy.nv.gov. and provide a copy of the notice of intent to participate in a form to the applicant's legal counsel, Brent Keele at bkeele@mcdonaldcarano.com no later than September 20, 2012.

The Director shall also allow public comment at a time appropriate to the conduct of the hearing.

To facilitate the expeditious and efficient consideration of the Patua Project, LLC application, the Director directs Patua Project, LLC and any party wishing to participate in the hearing to file any written testimony they would like the Director to consider to be received by the Director at smartens@energy.nn.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 7, 2012. Patua Project, LLC and participating parties wishing to respond to the written testimony must file responsive testimony with the Director at smartens@energy.nv.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 14, 2012.

The notice of intent to participate in a form and all written testimonies will be made available on the Director's website.

Copies of the public records related to Patua Project, LLC's application are available upon request to the Director by fax at (775) 687-1869, by e-mail addressed to smartens@energy.nv.gov or by mail addressed to: Nevada State Office of Energy, 755 North Roop Street, Suite 202, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the hearing should notify the Director in writing by mail addressed to: Nevada State Office of Energy, 755 North Roop Street, Suite 202, Carson City, NV 89701, by fax at (775) 687-1869, or by e-mail addressed to smartens@energy.nv.gov, no later than 7 business days prior to the hearing.

By the Nevada State Office of Energy Director,

Stacey Crowley

Dated: Carson City, Nevada August 29, 2012

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