

MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. C11
was approved as Minute Item
No. 11 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
to 0 at its 2/23/84
meeting.

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APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF
GEOTHERMAL EXPLORATION PERMIT PRC 6163

APPLICANT: GRI Operator Corporation
2300 County Center Drive, Suite 264
Santa Rosa, California 95401

AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION:
686 acres of reserved mineral land near
the Geysers, Lake and Mendocino Counties.

LAND USE: Drill three temperature gradient holes
to a dept of 3,000 feet. The purpose of
the testing will be to evaluate the geothermal
potential of State lands as well as adjacent
federal and private lands.

TERMS OF PROPOSED EXTENSION:
One year commencing February 25, 1984.

PREREQUISITE FEES:
The required processing fee has been deposited
by the applicant.

STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:
P.R.C.: Division 6, Section 6909.

AB 884: N/A.

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OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. The permit was authorized by the Commission at its May 1982 meeting for a period of six months commencing August 9, 1982. Authorization of the Permit was found to be exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as being within the purview of 2 CAC 2905, Class 6, which exempts the collection of data for information purposes. Two extensions for 6 month periods were authorized to commence on February 24, 1983 and August 25, 1983, the latter modifying well depth to 3,000 feet.
2. Due to weather conditions GRI was not able to drill the holes prior to expiration of the permit. They are requesting a one-year extension of the permit.
3. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 CAC 15061,) the staff has determined that this activity is categorically exempt from the requirements of the CEQA under Class 6 collection of data for information purposes.
(authority: PRC 21084 and 14 CAC 15300).

EXHIBITS: A. Land Description.
 B. Location Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. AUTHORIZE EXTENSION OF NON-EXCLUSIVE GEOTHERMAL EXPLORATION PERMIT PRC 6163 FOR ONE YEAR COMMENCING FEBRUARY 25, 1984 TO GRI OPERATOR CORPORATION TO DRILL TEMPERATURE GRADIENT HOLES ON RESERVED MINERAL LANDS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A".
2. FIND THAT THIS ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO 14 CAC ADM. CODE 15061 AS A CATEGORICAL EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION, 14 CAC ADM. CODE 15306.

EXHIBIT "A"
LAND DESCRIPTION

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Three parcels in T12N, R9W, MDM, Lake and Mendocino Counties, described as follows:

PARCEL 1

E-1/2 of Section 16, containing about 331 acres.

PARCEL 2

SE-1/4 of Section 22, containing about 179 acres.

PARCEL 3

NW-1/4 of Section 27, containing about 176 acres.

END OF DESCRIPTION

PREPARED MAY 12, 1982 BY TECHNICAL SERVICES UNIT, ROY MINNICK, SUPERVISOR.

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