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MIRANT POTRERO LLC AGREES TO LIMIT USE OF POLLUTION CREDITS AT POTRERO POWER PLANTS

San Francisco, CA --- Mirant Potrero LLC has agreed to limit its use of Interchangeable Emission Reduction Credits (IERCs) until the installation of Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) equipment to control nitrogen oxides (NOx) emissions at Unit 3 at the Potrero Power Plant and to supply environmental groups with monthly emissions reports.

The action is the result of an administrative appeal filed with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's Hearing Board by Our Children's Earth (OCE), Communities for a Better Environment (CBE), BayView Hunters Point Community Advocates (BayView Advocates), Literacy for Environmental Justice (LEJ), and the City and County of San Francisco (CCSF) opposing Mirant's request to use IERCs to comply with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's nitrogen oxides (NOx) requirements for power plants.

"Regulations were put in place by the District to reduce power plant pollution," said Tiffany Schauer, Executive Director of Our Children's Earth. "This settlement assures that Mirant is not allowed to indefinitely use pollution credits to avoid more stringent pollution controls."

The BayView Hunters Point community is located less than a mile away from where the Potrero Power Plant project is located. The area around the Potrero Power Plant is already heavily polluted and does not meet state ambient air quality standards for particulate matter. Increases in air pollution in this area would adversely impact the community's health.

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