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Exhibit G-1: Net Revenue Requirements and Market Purchase Comparison, Planning Horizon 2008-2012

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Exhibit G-3: Weighted Criteria Analysis

Criteria	Weight	50 MW Biomass Facility		20 MW Distribution Level Peaking Unit		Solar PV – with BETC		Solar PV – without BETC		24 MW Wind Project	
		Rating	Weighted Rating	Rating	Weighted Rating	Rating	Weighted Rating	Rating	Weighted Rating	Rating	Weighted Rating
Revenue Requirements Rank (1-High, 2-Medium, 3-Low)	0.30	3.00	0.30	1.00	0.30	1.00	0.30	3.00	0.90	1.00	0.30 Deleted: 1.00
Environmental Compliance Costs (1-Low, 2-Medium, 3-High)	0.20	1.00	0.20	2.00	0.40	1.00	0.20	1.00	0.20	1.00	0.20
Fuel Diversity (1-High, 2-Medium, 3-Low)	0.15	1.00	0.15	2.00	0.30	1.00	0.15	1.00	0.15	1.00	0.15
Availability at Time of System Peak (1-High, 2-Medium, 3-Low)	0.15	1.00	0.15	1.00	0.15	2.00	0.30	2.00	0.30	2.00	0.30
Promotes Price Stability (1-Stable, 2-Medium, 3-Volatile)	0.20	2.00	0.40	2.00	0.40	1.00	0.20	1.00	0.20	1.00	0.20
Total	1.00		1.80		1.55		1.15		1.75		1.15 Deleted: 1.20

Exhibit G-4: Final Project Ranking

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50 MW Biomass Facility	1.80	4 Deleted: 1.20
20-25 MW Distribution Level Peaking Units	1.55	2 Deleted: 2
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