

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,  
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
CENTRAL  
MINUTE ORDER**

Date: 07/18/2008

Time: 10:00:00 AM

Dept: C-71

Judicial Officer Presiding: Judge Ronald S. Prager  
Clerk: Kathleen Sandoval

Bailiff/Court Attendant: L. Wilks  
ERM: Peter Stewart, Court Reporter

Case Init. Date: 12/03/2001

Case No: JCCP4221

Case Title: JCCP4221 COORDINATION PROCEEDING  
NATURAL GAS ANTI-TRUST CASES

Case Category: Civil - Unlimited

Case Type: Antitrust/Trade Regulation

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Event Type: Motion Hearing (Civil)

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**Appearances:**

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Appearances by Barry Himmelstein personally present for the Class Plaintiffs, and Steve Routh personally present for the Defendant AEP.

The Court hears oral argument and confirms the tentative ruling as follows: Ruling

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The Court rules on Class Plaintiffs' motion for preliminary approval of class action settlement as follows:

The Court hereby certifies the Class and the two subclasses as presented by the Class Plaintiffs for purposes of settlement only. The Court grants preliminary approval of the settlements as presented and approves of the proposed forms of notice. The Court adopts Class Plaintiffs' proposed schedule by which notice of the settlement will be provided to the Class members and dates by which Class members may exclude themselves from the Class or object to the settlement. The Final Approval Hearing shall be November 14, 2008 at 8:30 a.m.

Class Plaintiffs shall prepare a final order for the Court's signature.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

The Court signs the court order setting the final settlement approval (Fairness Hearing) for November 14, 2008 at 8:30 am, Department 71.