Comment Set C.135: Senator George Runner

September 1, 2006

Commissioner Dian Grueneich
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Commissioner Grueneich:

Now that the public hearings on Aspen Environmental’s alternative routes to Southern California Edison’s proposed Antelope-Pardee Transmission Project, Segment One, have been completed, I would like to share with you the community’s strong opposition to proposed Alternative 5.

The analysis of Alternative 5 acknowledges that it has the greatest negative impact to traffic congestion and noise, as well as being the most geologically unstable route. Further, it causes the second highest level of air pollution and waste of the proposed project and alternatives.

As you are aware, Alternative 5 is vastly different than Southern California Edison’s proposal and any of the other four alternatives. What is not reflected in the analysis is that by avoiding the Angeles National Forest, which contains existing right-of-ways, Alternative 5 causes substantial damages to the quality of life, property values and rural character of Leona Valley and Agua Dulce.

Hundreds of frustrated residents attended and spoke on the record of their opposition to Alternative 5. I share this strong opposition and hope you will weigh the concerns of the homeowners in making your decision.

Thank you for your time, and I look forward to working with you on this and any other project affecting the people I represent.

Sincerely,

GEORGE RUNNER
Senator, 17th District
Response to Comment Set C.135: Senator George Runner

C.135-1 Thank you for submitting your opinion regarding Alternative 5.

C.135-2 Your comments are consistent with the findings of the Draft EIR/EIS.

C.135-3 Thank you for submitting your input. Please see General Response GR-1 regarding effects on property values. Your comments will be shared with the decision-makers who are reviewing the Project at the USDA Forest Service and the CPUC.