Comment Set C.45: Rodney Jacobson

I attended the meeting last night and am writing to let you know formally of my opposition of Option 5 of the SCE 500KV improvement plan and request this be placed in the public comments of the meeting.

I am a property owner in Leona Valley. My property address is 9800 Lost Valley Ranch Road, Leona Valley, Ca 93551. My current mailing address is 40515 Gorham Lane, Palmdale, CA 93551. My telephone number is 661-267-0939 or 661-733-1679 or the number below.

I purchased this property several years ago with the prospects of finding some tranquility in our valley. I grew up on a farm in South Dakota and this area reminded me of the country roots where I grew up. I did not spend over $200,000 in purchasing the land, grading the land, placing a concrete driveway in, dig a second well to produce sufficient water for Los Angeles County, and pay thousands of dollars in architect, engineering, regional planning and county fees to have these monstrosities on or across the street from my home.

These lines will create an eye sore. According to some of the informative people last night, there is a high probability that these lines EMF can affect my children who are 7 and 9 years old. I do not want them running through my neighborhood.

I think the national forest service needs to reconsider their opposition to this proposal. The national forest belongs to me and I vote to have it run on the mid slope plan or use an existing right of way SCE already has. The human rights must be taken into consideration. A tree, while needed for many purposes, should not outweigh the health and well-being of these residents of Leona Valley and West Lancaster. There must be a way to accommodate the state mandate and not affect so many people and livestock.

I am not sure if I was in the notification process however, I do not ever remember receiving any notification of this proposal. I think the process needs to start over and allow our input earlier in the process. It seems like this is being pushed on us so we will not have time to respond.

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Response to Comment Set C.45: Rodney Jacobson

C.45-1 Thank you for submitting your opinion on Alternative 5.

C.45-2 Please see General Response GR-3 regarding EMF concerns. Section C.6 of the EIR/EIS also discusses potential effects from EMF. Section C.1510 of the EIR/EIS discussed the visual impacts of Alternative 5.

C.45-3 Your comment will be shared with the decision-makers who are reviewing the Project and alternatives at the USDA Forest Service and the CPUC.

C.45-4 Please see General Response GR-5 regarding the Project’s noticing procedures and review period. On September 13, the CPUC and the Forest Service formally extended the public review period for the Draft EIR/EIS to October 3, 2006.