Question 07.b:

SONGS has already been retired.

B. Provide substantiation to support SCE’s response to A, such as a power flow diagram or data. Do not refer to the CAISO 2013–14 Transmission Plan in the answer to this question. The CPUC has reviewed and is aware of the CAISO plan and requests information other than, or in addition to, the information provided in that plan.

Response to Question 07.b:

As part of its 2015 Annual Transmission Reliability Assessment (ATRA), SCE performed an assessment for 2020. The CAISO is also studying year 2020 as part of their 2015-16 Transmission Plan. In both studies of 2020, the Proposed Project is not included and OTC units have not yet retired. Under these assumptions, although some performance violations were identified, they can be addressed without the Proposed Project. SCE's final 2015 ATRA report is expected in December 2015 and CAISO's report is scheduled to be finalized in March 2016. Based on preliminary results, it is unlikely that the Proposed Project would be necessary to maintain reliability in 2020.