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VIA EMAIL

Mr. Jack Horne
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SUBJECT: Data Request No. 5 for the Southern California Edison Circle City Substation and Mira Loma-Jefferson Subtransmission Line Project

Dear Mr. Horne:

As the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) proceeds with our environmental review for Southern California Edison (SCE)'s Circle City Substation and Mira Loma-Jefferson Subtransmission Line Project (Project), we have identified additional information required in order to adequately conduct the CEQA review. Please provide the information requested below (Data Request #5) by August 29, 2016. Please submit your response in hardcopy and electronic format to me and also directly to our environmental consultant, Environmental Science Associates (ESA), at the physical and e-mail addresses noted below. If you have any questions please direct them to me as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Connie Chen", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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Aesthetics

1. PEA Section 4.1.4.3 states that the representative character/simulation photographs used in the PEA Aesthetics section were taken in February 2012. Section 15125(a) of the CEQA guidelines states the baseline conditions should represent those existing at the time of the NOP circulation. Since the photographs were taken in 2012 (4 years before the NOP was circulated) and the local conditions have changed in some areas, the following three photographs that were used for simulations in the PEA no longer represent existing conditions and should be updated:
 - PEA Photo 2 and Fig 4.1-5, *Existing View and Visual Simulation from Magnolia Avenue near South Promenade Avenue*. There are stockpiled materials blocking the view towards the substation site. We suggest choosing a new location for the simulation.
 - PEA Photo 15 and Fig 4.1-8, *Existing View and Visual Simulation from East 6th Street near Magnolia Avenue*. New commercial development (tan buildings) can be seen on the left side of the updated photograph but are not captured in the PEA photo/simulation.
 - PEA Photo 32 and Fig 4.1-11- *Existing View and Visual Simulation from Hellman Avenue at Landerwood*. Updated photograph shows new residential development (“The Preserve” community) being constructed/expanded on the left and the trees are much larger on the right. These conditions are not depicted in the PEA photo/simulation.

Please use updated photographs representative of existing conditions to revise the visual simulations referenced above.