

October 23, 2015

To California Public Utilities Commission,

This letter is to voice our opinion strongly against the existing plan to add new 230kv high-voltage lines and towers to many areas of Rancho Penasquitos. As a resident that lives at the western base of Black Mountain with the current power lines behind our house, we have many concerns. One of which being an increased fire hazard risk to an extremely dry area. Not to mention the aesthetically displeasing appearance of additional tower bulk, wires and aviation balls. The potential detriment to the neighborhood property values is unacceptable. Additionally, the possible health risks resulting from increased exposure to EMF's is quite disturbing.

We greatly favor the underground option known as Alternative 5. Yes, we understand the cost is greater, but the multiple benefits of eliminating increased fire and health risks as well as any decrease to property values for many tax paying San Diego residents seems to far outweigh the extra expense.

In closing, we do not want any new above ground power lines or towers running through Rancho Penasquitos. Ideally, we'd prefer to have the existing power lines and towers converted to underground.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of David Skaar and Susan Skaar in blue ink. The signature of David Skaar is on the top line, and the signature of Susan Skaar is on the bottom line.

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