

Comment Set C27

From: J&JBATT [mailto:jbattaglia@dc.rr.com]
Sent: Sun 1/20/2008 11:17 AM
To: Mosley, Juralynne B.
Subject: Banning power lines

Dear Ms. Mosley,

As a resident of Sun Lakes Country Club, Banning Ca., I am writing for your support in **opposing** the replacing of the current **above ground** utility lines by California Edison. The lines are currently only used on a limited basis....they travel a one mile course immediately next to homes in our community along the golf course. Edison wants to replace these lines for ones to be used 100 % of the time, that are more powerful, much higher, and constructed on metal and concrete. Overhead lines simply are not installed any longer in residential areas. Concerns about health issues are very real, also the aesthetic appearance on these "modern marvels" certainly does not fit in with our rural settings. Our community is located in the Banning Pass, essentially a wind tunnel, with winds reaching 100 MPH. These new lines are with a few feet of homes built with wood eaves. You certainly have heard of the Esperanza Fire which cost the lives of 5 firefighters. That fire came within inches of Sun Lakes Homes.....as did the fire ten years ago, responsible for the lives of two other firefighters. We all witnessed on television during the wind storm last week, the downed power lines and fires caused by such. We certainly don't need that hazard here!

I expect you it support the residents of Sun Lakes and the Banning City Council who wish these lines placed underground as they should be.

Thank you,

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Responses to Comment Set C27 – Jacquelyn Battaglia

- C27-1** Please see original Draft EIR (December 2007) Sections D.7 (Hazards and Hazardous Materials) and D.12 (Visual Resources) regarding safety and aesthetic concerns. Your support for the Partial Underground Alternative has been noted. The Environmentally Superior Alternative has been re-evaluated and is identified in the Recirculated Draft EIR, Section E (July 2008) as the Proposed Project. Please see General Response GR-1 for a discussion regarding the change in determination of the Environmentally Superior Alternative.