

Comment Set C34

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Subject: El Casco System Through Sun Lakes Country Club

The PUC is currently considering the problem of the placement of new electrical towers or underground wires on the golf course near homes in the retirement community of Sun Lakes. A petition to have these wires placed underground, signed by many of the residents of our community has been submitted to the PUC. The Executive Board of Sun Lakes has sent a letter to the PUC indicating that the Executive Board takes no position on the arrangement of these wires. The Executive Board submitted this letter on the advice of the Home Owners Association legal Counsel, claiming that taking any position leaves the Association in a possible position for liability.

At a community meeting on January 16, 2009 the Executive Board read the proposed letter to homeowners in attendance. There were many homeowner speakers who strongly objected to the wording of the letter, indicating that it presented an incorrect view of the desires of our community. Other speakers indicated that they did not believe a letter to the PUC accurately reflecting the desires of our community from the Executive Board could lead to any liability. Despite the unanimous requests from the speakers, and the applause from the rest of the audience indicating agreement with the speakers, the Executive Board voted to send the letter to the PUC.

This Executive Board has often made decisions contrary to the wishes of the community. Recently, the homeowners had to obtain sufficient signatures to overrule the Board on its decision regarding the ruling on use of our facilities. Another petition was circulated calling for the removal of all the Board members because of their failure to follow the wishes of the homeowners

What concerns me particularly is that the letter to the PUC from the Executive Board of Sun Lakes can be easily taken to misrepresent the concerns of our community concerning the health hazards of above ground wires. That letter states that some homeowners find above ground wires acceptable. This statement is entirely misleading. The homeowners

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are essentially unanimously opposed to above ground wires, and the resultant levels of resulting radiation. The homeowners will be forced to find such wires **acceptable** if that is the final result, as it would be impractical to selling our homes and find safer one. **That certainly does not mean that above ground wires are the desired or the correct construction process.**

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We wish the PUC to recognize that the letter from our Executive Board is strictly the result of that Board wishing to avoid possible litigation, and does not represent in any way the desires of our community to have a construction which will minimize any health concerns for us and the future residents of our community.

Sincerely



Edward Miller

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- C34-1** Your opposition of the Proposed Project and your support of the Partial Underground Alternative have 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. Also, please see original Draft EIR (December 2007) Sections D.7 (Hazards and Hazardous Materials) and F.2.4 (Electric and Magnetic Fields).