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Dear Ms Mosley;

My wife and I live in Sun Lakes. Our single family home is in close proximity to the existing 115kV transmission lines. We believe the present lines and the proposed replacement lines are unsightly and their presence has a negative impact on the market value of our home. We have also read several articles which warn of the dangers of EMF emissions to students in schools and families in homes located close to transmission lines.

We were pleased when the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) contracted for an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). We are also very pleased and support the findings listed in the draft of the EIR which states the "Environmentally Superior Alternative is the Underground Alternative". This alternative seems safer and would not cause interference with communication and electronic equipment. To us, this is a perfect solution.

Nancy and I have been very impressed with the process. We were under the opinion that Southern California Edison could do anything they pleased and the small individual home owner had no say. This process has proven this opinion to be wrong. It is great to see democracy in action. Thank you CPUC.

Sincerely,

James W. Brown

Nancy R. Brown

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Responses to Comment Set C5 – James W. and Nancy R. Brown

Please see <u>original</u> Draft EIR (<u>December 2007</u>) Section D.7 (Hazards and Hazardous Materials) for information related to EMF <u>and Section F.2.2</u> (<u>Property Values</u>). In addition, your support for the Partial Underground Alternative has been noted. <u>The Environmentally Superior Alterative 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.</u>