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March 1, 2017 VIA MAIL AND EMAIL

Ms. Rebecca Giles Regulatory Case Administrator San Diego Gas & Electric Company 8330 Century Park Court San Diego, CA 92123-1530

Re: CPUC Review of Proponent's Environmental Assessment for San Diego Gas & Electric Company's (SDG&E's) Artesian 230kV Substation Expansion Project

Dear Ms. Giles:

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Energy Division CEQA Unit has conducted a review of SDG&E's Proponent's Environmental Assessment (PEA) for the Artesian 230kV Substation Expansion Project (Project) relative to the CPUC's PEA Checklist for Transmission Line Projects (October 7, 2008). The Energy Division finds that the PEA contains sufficient information to satisfy the requirements of the Commission's Information and Criteria List and deems the application complete.

The Energy Division will now begin the preparation of an Initial Study for the Project. Please note that the Energy Division may request additional data, as necessary, to prepare a complete and adequate analysis of the potential environmental effects of the Project in accordance with the requirements of CEQA.

Please do not hesitate to call me at (415) 703-3221 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Andrew Barnsdale

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Energy Division

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