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SUBJECT: Electric distribution audit of SDG&E's North East District

Ms. Kaminsky:

On behalf of the Electric Safety and Reliability Branch (ESRB) of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), Mily Vaidya of my staff conducted an electric distribution audit of SDG&E's North East District from November 17-21, 2025. The audit included a review of SDG&E's inspection and maintenance records and a field inspection of SDG&E's facilities.

During the audit, my staff identified violations of one or more General Orders (GOs). A copy of the audit findings itemizing the violations is enclosed. Please advise me no later than March 24, 2026, by electronic or hard copy, of all corrective measures taken by SDG&E to remediate and prevent such violations.

Please note that ESRB will be posting the audit report and your response to our audit on the CPUC website. If there is any information in your response that you would like us to consider as confidential, we request that in addition to your confidential response, you also provide us with a public or redacted version of your response that can be posted publicly on our website.

If you have any questions concerning this audit, you can contact Mily Vaidya at (213) 999-8528 or mily.vaidya@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Majed Ibrahim".

Majed Ibrahim, P.E.
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Enclosure: Audit Findings

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Audit Findings

I. Records Review

During the audit, my staff reviewed the following records:

- Overhead and underground detailed inspection records.
- Completed and pending corrective action work orders.
- Pole loading calculations.
- Intrusive test records.
- SDG&E's visual inspection program.
- ESRB's interview of SDG&E inspectors.

II. Records Review – Violations List

My staff observed the following violations during the records review portion of the audit:

GO 165, Section III-B, Distribution Facilities, Standards for Inspection, states:

Each utility subject to this General Order shall conduct inspections of its distribution facilities, as necessary, to ensure reliable, high-quality, and safe operation, but in no case may the period between inspections (measured in years) exceed the time specified in Table 1.

GO 95, Rule 31.2, Inspection of Lines, states in part:

Lines shall be inspected frequently and thoroughly for the purpose of insuring that they are in good condition so as to conform with these rules.

SDG&E's records indicated that from November 2022 - October 2025, SDG&E had 110 overhead detailed inspections and 69 overhead patrol inspections that were either completed or pending completion past SDG&E's assigned due date.

GO 165, Section III-B, Distribution Facilities, Standards for Inspection, states:

Each utility subject to this General Order shall conduct inspections of its distribution facilities, as necessary, to ensure reliable, high-quality, and safe operation, but in no case may the period between inspections (measured in years) exceed the time specified in Table 1.

GO 128, Rule 17.2, Inspection, states:

Systems shall be inspected by the operator frequently and thoroughly for the purpose of insuring that they are in good condition and in conformance with all applicable requirements these rules.

SDG&E's records indicated that from November 2022 to October 2025, SDG&E had 46 underground detailed inspections that were either completed or pending completion past SDG&E's assigned due date.

GO 95, Rule 18-B1, Maintenance Programs, states in part:

Companies shall undertake corrective actions within the time periods stated for each of the priority levels set forth below. Scheduling of corrective actions within the time periods below may be based on additional factors, including the following factors, as appropriate ...

GO 95, Rule 31.1, Design, Construction and Maintenance, states in part:

For all particulars not specified in these rules, design, construction, and maintenance should be done in accordance with accepted good practice for the given local conditions known at the time by those responsible for the design, construction, or maintenance of communication or supply lines and equipment.

SDG&E's records indicated that from November 2022-October 2025, SDG&E had 126 work Orders that were completed or pending completion past SDG&E's assigned due date.

III. Field Inspection

My staff inspected the following facilities during the field portion of the audit:

No.	Structure ID.	Type of Structure	Location
1	P119602	POLE STEEL	33.38360965,-117.24790279
2	P10325	POLE WOOD	33.38361032,-117.24819715
3	P10324	POLE WOOD	33.38361139,-117.24867106
4	P10318	POLE WOOD	33.38364153,-117.24926717
5	P10317	POLE WOOD	33.38365312,-117.24978588
6	P238034	POLE WOOD	33.38379456,-117.24985951
7	P10312	POLE WOOD	33.38365186,-117.25032675
8	P10313	POLE WOOD	33.38404711,-117.25031417
9	P10314	POLE STEEL	33.38457353,-117.2503031
10	P510031J	POLE WOOD	33.38458172,-117.24976158
11	P10320	POLE STEEL	33.3845107,-117.24924087
12	P10319	POLE WOOD	33.38412922,-117.24925083
13	P319586	POLE WOOD	33.38348068,-117.24927103
14	P10386	POLE WOOD	33.38316581,-117.2492786
15	P411159	POLE WOOD	33.38285263,-117.24928612
16	P13386	POLE WOOD	33.38514135,-117.24817246
17	P13387	POLE WOOD	33.38554432,-117.2481477
18	P114690	POLE STEEL	33.38603797,-117.24813816
19	P410621	POLE WOOD	33.38603424,-117.24799552
20	P13388	POLE WOOD	33.38635725,-117.24813293
21	P13389	POLE STEEL	33.38693371,-117.24812098
22	P13390	POLE WOOD	33.38742424,-117.24810949
23	P18368	POLE WOOD	33.38743002,-117.2486367
24	P2155707	POLE WOOD	33.38743701,-117.24931814
25	P215708	POLE WOOD	33.3874424,-117.24967201
26	P411156	POLE WOOD	33.38743708,-117.25027249
27	P116737	POLE WOOD	33.38719703,-117.25027632
28	P512076	POLE WOOD	33.38743488,-117.25071805
29	P2536455	POLE STEEL	33.38755672,-117.25111332
30	P115310	POLE STEEL	33.38755577,-117.25122632
31	P255180	POLE STEEL	33.38755577,-117.25122632
32	P228915	POLE WOOD	33.38708156,-117.25126125
33	P102487	POLE WOOD	33.3870888,-117.25142279
34	P102488	POLE WOOD	33.38692577,-117.25142442
35	P614826	POLE WOOD	33.38656747,-117.25129081
36	P311516	POLE STEEL	33.38649748,-117.25142872
37	P113740	POLE WOOD	33.38646625,-117.25076073
38	P214968	POLE WOOD	33.38646693,-117.25016619
39	P317420	POLE WOOD	33.38637435,-117.24961983

40	P717029	POLE WOOD	33.3864573,-117.24952898
41	P216186	POLE WOOD	33.38636991,-117.24930412
42	P116136	POLE STEEL	33.38636326,-117.24879416
43	Z110011	POLE STEEL	33.3436131,-117.13012608
44	Z414512	POLE STEEL	33.34351278,-117.13135074
45	P110008	POLE STEEL	33.34351865,-117.13159782
46	Z610860	POLE STEEL	33.34345285,-117.13261047
47	Z215281	POLE STEEL	33.34331262,-117.13400473
48	P251019	POLE STEEL	33.34256019,-117.13384971
49	P251020	POLE STEEL	33.34212984,-117.13376275
50	P110007	POLE WOOD	33.34188261,-117.13370989
51	P110006	POLE WOOD	33.34164954,-117.13400824
52	Z219429	POLE STEEL	33.34411119,-117.13573241
53	Z219428	POLE STEEL	33.34466394,-117.13688578
54	Z16652	POLE WOOD	33.11131096,-117.07282706
55	P411421	POLE WOOD	33.11154072,-117.07236862
56	P412722	POLE WOOD	33.11112186,-117.0720548
57	P319816	POLE WOOD	33.11074362,-117.07178556
58	P412225	POLE WOOD	33.11050687,-117.07225725
59	P13475	POLE WOOD	33.11036455,-117.07253853
60	P312544J	POLE WOOD	33.1100595,-117.07314133
61	P13334	POLE WOOD	33.10996967,-117.07327768
62	P312122J	POLE STEEL	33.10968801,-117.07307745
63	P316556	POLE WOOD	33.1095829,-117.07282381
64	P196723	POLE WOOD	33.10939177,-117.07286732
65	P511927	POLE WOOD	33.10912958,-117.07268198
66	P510581	POLE WOOD	33.10898639,-117.07272388
67	P315805	POLE WOOD	33.10890829,-117.07287992
68	P315804	POLE WOOD	33.10860178,-117.07349105
69	P315803	POLE WOOD	33.10843196,-117.07382522
70	P315802	POLE WOOD	33.10826952,-117.07411762
71	P510479	POLE WOOD	33.10814226,-117.07436381
72	P315801	POLE WOOD	33.10800364,-117.07463641
73	P417183	POLE WOOD	33.1086266,-117.07417369
74	P417182	POLE WOOD	33.10902843,-117.0744584
75	P196720	POLE WOOD	33.10928062,-117.07463222
76	P417181	POLE WOOD	33.10958506,-117.07496197
77	Z16655	POLE WOOD	33.1100758,-117.07522558
78	P116698	POLE STEEL	33.11021993,-117.07494166
79	Z16654	POLE WOOD	33.1104869,-117.07440957
80	Z16653	POLE WOOD	33.11076155,-117.07384358
81	D128498	PADMOUNT	33.01990522,-116.80572788
82	D143193	PADMOUNT	33.01985343,-116.80563729
83	D188290	PADMOUNT	33.01980497,-116.80555347
84	D3102283511	PADMOUNT	33.02001038,-116.80591184

85	D3108583532	PADMOUNT	33.02001038,-116.80591184
86	D3109483514	PADMOUNT	33.02114023,-116.80612241
87	D3110683499	PADMOUNT	33.02144278,-116.80661017
88	W124492	PADMOUNT	33.0217087,-116.80724329
89	D3112283460	PADMOUNT	33.02185548,-116.80789502
90	D3112383429	PADMOUNT	33.02187247,-116.80891268
91	D3114383414	PADMOUNT	33.02232593,-116.80942066
92	H3113483416	HANDHOLE	33.02208303,-116.80935363
93	D3115283412	PADMOUNT	33.0225525,-116.80948145
94	W122216	PADMOUNT	33.02151753,-116.81009504
95	D3111283391	PADMOUNT	33.02148301,-116.81018107
96	D3110883381	PADMOUNT	33.02137097,-116.81046758
97	D3110183364	PADMOUNT	33.02115881,-116.81100784
98	D3109483348	PADMOUNT	33.02097899,-116.81146552

IV. Field Inspection – Violations List

GO 95, Rule 51.6-A, Marking and Guarding, High Voltage Marking of Poles, states in part:

Poles which support line conductors of more than 750 volts shall be marked with high voltage signs. This marking shall consist of a single sign showing the words “HIGH VOLTAGE”, or pair of signs showing the words “HIGH” and “VOLTAGE”, not more than six (6) inches in height with letters not less than 3 inches in height. A pair of signs may be stacked to a height of no more than 12 inches. Such signs shall be of weather and corrosion-resisting material, solid or with letters cut out therefrom and clearly legible.

The “HIGH VOLTAGE” signs on the following Pole numbers were damaged:

- P315801
- Z16655
- Z16653

GO 95, Rule 31.1, Design Construction and Maintenance, states in part:

Electrical supply and communication systems shall be designed, constructed, and maintained for their intended use, regard being given to the conditions under which they are to be operated, to enable the furnishing of safe, proper, and adequate service.

There was a bird nest on the primary crossarm on Pole number P110007.

GO 128, Rule 17.1, Design, Construction, and Maintenance, states in part:

Electrical supply and communication systems shall be designed, constructed, and maintained for their intended use, regard being given to the conditions under which they are to be operated, to enable the furnishing of safe, proper, and adequate service.

The front of fuse cabinet D3111283391 was corroded at the bottom left corner.