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SUBJECT: Audit of Cox Communications Southern San Diego District

Ms. Camuglia:

On behalf of the Electric Safety and Reliability Branch of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), Mily Vaidya of my staff conducted a Communication Infrastructure Provider (CIP) audit of Cox Communications' Southern San Diego District on August 24 – 28, 2026. The audit included a review of Cox Communications' inspection and maintenance records, and a field inspection of Cox Communications' 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 November 23, 2026 by electronic or hard copy, of all corrective measures taken by Cox Communications to remedy 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, please contact Mily Vaidya at (213) 999-8528 or Mily.Vaidya@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: Audit Findings

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AUDIT FINDINGS

I. Records Review

During the audit, my staff reviewed the following records:

- Patrol and Detailed Inspection Records
- Repair Work Order Records
- Cox's overhead inspection & maintenance program
- Cox's underground inspection & maintenance program
- Third-Party Safety Hazard Notifications
- Pole Loading Calculations

II. Field Inspection

My staff inspected the following structures during the field inspection portion of the audit:

No.	Asset Tag (Pole) Number	Structure Type	Latitude	Longitude
1	P373343	Pole	32.7258206058193	-117.080391269126
2	P373342	Pole	32.7257237198588	-117.080772051985
3	P373341	Pole	32.7256683038112	-117.081132472069
4	P373340	Pole	32.725635569113	-117.081485755551
5	P373339	Pole	32.7256685603225	-117.081888234454
6	P373348	Pole	32.7256487296177	-117.082244157712
7	P373349	Pole	32.7256616706724	-117.082665132232
8	P373338	Pole	32.7260227920293	-117.081665820287
9	P37333T	Pole	32.7263497337166	-117.081340132149
10	P37336	Pole	32.7266030549579	-117.081248031724
11	P188474	Pole	32.6604863844731	-117.063592441965
12	P188478	Pole	32.6602570363007	-117.064070987667
13	P188472	Pole	32.6603811104428	-117.064619609007
14	P188471	Pole	32.6605793892302	-117.065210738579
15	P1888457	Pole	32.6608844149536	-117.065655456009
16	P188462	Pole	32.6612204390803	-117.065416128219
17	P188463	Pole	32.6615434194388	-117.065042500001
18	P188464	Pole	32.6617501177197	-117.064608807117
19	P188465	Pole	32.6619136475062	-117.064066938096
20	P188466	Pole	32.6620660484549	-117.063472371294
21	P188467	Pole	32.6622311305859	-117.062894562457
22	P188468	Pole	32.6623585719731	-117.062304106681
23	P188469	Pole	32.6624569054473	-117.061759296361
24	P188470	Pole	32.6625747821275	-117.061206854307
25	P188484	Pole	32.6614839149085	-117.063215406473
26	P188478	Pole	32.6609261506324	-117.06204825877
27	P188477	Pole	32.6608207083833	-117.06240580442
28	P188476	Pole	32.6606841664761	-117.062784933675
29	P188475	Pole	32.660567278615	-117.063155135488
30	P188494	Pole	32.6601032390102	-117.063567187101
31	P231877	Pole	32.7687933208928	-117.127249390873
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33	P231881	Pole	32.7694470582872	-117.127792597006
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36	P231676	Pole	32.7688684737924	-117.12685468767
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39	P738107	Pole	32.7692638217293	-117.125908460375
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42	P738117	Pole	32.7686399751703	-117.125334391781
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62	P252634	Pole	32.7668633958848	-117.125339525598
63	P738154	Pole	32.7672114174335	-117.125330983075
64	P738153	Pole	32.7676760418915	-117.125504089337
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70	P736208	Pole	32.7683392638481	-117.126975419116
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72	P231878	Pole	32.768539203547	-117.12737017797
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74	930137588	Connection Box	32.7881467135922	-117.099626663593
75	P836476	Pole	32.7886418221893	-117.099711344632
76	P579545	Pole	32.7887695978492	-117.09971631259
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79	P209867	Pole	32.7011075347612	-117.146513110441
80	P191170	Pole	32.7027240762188	-117.148958960807
81	P837692	Pole	32.7027957787627	-117.149107372452
82	P837693	Pole	32.7024426251355	-117.148651288524
83	P203599	Pole	32.7024056615062	-117.148567342642
84	P837694	Pole	32.7022856627595	-117.148384495778
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87	P1957872419	Pole	32.7017842292415	-117.147618296501
88	P837736	Pole	32.7016956577394	-117.147451112891

89	P191167	Pole	32.7015858759618	-117.1473513033
90	99350782	Pedestal	32.6539646659755	-116.979224062022
91	99350980	Pedestal	32.6546110809252	-116.979034502003
92	99350980	Vault	32.654572770725	-116.979059860542
93	99350788	Pedestal	32.6553414388255	-116.978788044054
94	99351634	Pedestal	32.6556112151204	-116.979281665088
95	99351640	Pedestal	32.6558065718574	-116.979086784266
96	99351646	Pedestal	32.6560098542396	-116.978932636809
97	99352907	Pedestal	32.6563708521765	-116.978550972156
98	99352913	Pedestal	32.6564063453798	-116.97848860034
99	85702705	Pedestal	32.9847731022887	-117.258342038767
100	6650317070431044761	Vault	32.9849178245828	-117.25822788938
101	20231662506946376	Vault	32.9852574267384	-117.258248704407
102	20231662506946376	Pedestal	32.9852686893635	-117.258298952712
103	6650317070431044729	Pedestal	32.9848518371135	-117.25836709087
104	85702723	Pedestal	32.9842553758813	-117.258341481187
105	85702741	Pedestal	32.9838044837142	-117.258344727004
106	85702759	Pedestal	32.9838252897922	-117.258894664179
107	85702696	Pedestal	32.9841151402008	-117.259220765794
108	85702687	Pedestal	32.9844214148504	-117.259452956722
109	85702750	Pedestal	32.9839459107648	-117.258132700548
110	85702714	Vault	32.9844513833469	-117.258110637288

III. Field Inspection – Violations List

My observed the following violations during the field inspections portion of the audit:

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 following pedestals were not secured:

- 85702705
- 85702741
- 85702687
- 85702750

GO 95, Rule 31.6: Abandoned Lines states in part:

> *Lines or portions of lines permanently abandoned shall be removed by their owners so that such lines shall not become a public nuisance or a hazard to life or property. For the purposes of this rule, lines that are permanently abandoned shall be defined as those lines that are determined by their owner to have no foreseeable future use.*

Cox Communications facilities supported on the following poles were abandoned:

- P373341: Abandoned service drop touching AT&T communication conductor
- P188470: Abandoned service drop touching AT&T communication conductor
- 22062P73029: Abandoned Service drop touching AT&T communication conductor
- P738169: Abandoned service drop touching AT&T communication conductor
- P738165: Abandoned service drop touching AT&T communication conductor

GO 95, Rule 34: Foreign Attachments states in part:

> *Nothing in these rules shall be construed as permitting the unauthorized attachment, to supply, street light or communication poles or structures, of antennas, signs, posters, banners, decorations, wires, lighting fixtures, guys, ropes and any other such equipment foreign to the purposes of overhead electric line construction.*

Pole number P579545 had an unauthorized advertisement.

GO 95, Rule 86.2: Use states in part:

> *Guys shall be attached to structures as nearly as practicable at the center of load. They shall be maintained taut and of such strength as to meet the safety factors of Rule 44.*

The down guy wire supporting Pole number P738154 was not taut.

GO 95, Rule 38 – Minimum Clearances of Wires from Other Wires, Table 2, Column C, Case 8, requires the minimum vertical separation between "Communication Conductors (Including Open Wire, Cables and Service Drops)" from "Communication Conductors and Supply Drops" on the same pole and in adjoining midspans to be 12 inches.

The clearance between the Cox Communications conductors and third-party communication conductors (AT&T) on the following poles was less than 12 inches:

- P37333T
- P188474
- P188478
- P188471
- P188463
- P188464
- P231862
- P837694

GO 95, Rule 84.6 B states in part:

> *Ground wires, other than lightning protection wires not attached to equipment or ground wires on grounded structures, shall be covered by metal pipe or suitable covering of wood or metal, or of plastic conduit material as specified in Rule 22.8–A, for a distance above ground sufficient to protect against mechanical injury, but in no case shall such distance be less than 7 feet.*

The ground molding supported on the following poles were damaged:

- P373343
- P188472
- P188484
- P738117
- P738157