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Subject: Electric distribution audit of SCE's Bishop District.

Mr. Stark:

On behalf of the Electric Safety and Reliability Branch of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), Sultan Tipu of my staff conducted an electric distribution audit of SCE's Bishop District from April 13-17, 2026. The audit included a review of SCE's records and field inspections of SCE's facilities.

During the audit, my staff identified violations of one or more General Orders (GOs). Included with this letter is a copy of the audit findings that itemize the violations discovered during the audit. Please advise me no later than July 24, 2026, by electronic or hard copy, of all corrective measures taken by SCE 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, you can contact Sultan Tipu (213) 660-5524 or sultan.tipu@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Majed Ibrahim".

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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:

- Overhead and underground detailed inspection records
- Patrol records
- Completed and pending corrective action work orders
- Pole load calculations
- Intrusive test records
- Safety hazard notifications
- SCE's documented inspection program.
- Vegetation Records

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.

SCE's records indicated that from May 2024 through May 2025, SCE completed 367 patrol inspections past SCE's scheduled due date. Additionally, as of the date of the audit, SCE had 161 pending patrol inspections that were past SCE's scheduled due date.

SCE's records indicated that from May 2024 through May 2025, SCE completed 446 detailed inspections past SCE's scheduled due date. Additionally, as of the date of the audit, SCE had 16 pending, detailed inspections that were past SCE's scheduled 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.

SCE's records indicated that from May 2024 through May 2025, SCE completed 34 underground inspections past SCE's scheduled due date. Additionally, as of the date of the audit, SCE had 16 underground inspections that were past SCE's scheduled 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.

SCE's records indicated that from May 2024 through May 2025, SCE completed 1144 overhead work orders past SCE's due date for corrective action. Additionally, as of the date of the audit, SCE had 223 open overhead work orders that were past SCE's scheduled due date for corrective action.

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.

SCE's records indicated that from May 2024 through May 2025, SCE completed 95 underground work orders past SCE's due date for corrective action. Additionally, as of the date of the audit, SCE had 28 open underground work orders that were past SCE's scheduled due date for corrective action.

III. Field Inspections

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

No.	Structure ID.	Type of Structure	Location
1	1735340E	Pole	Bishop
2	1735339E	Pole	Bishop
3	1735336E	Pole	Bishop
4	1827718E	Pole	Bishop
5	1827719E	Pole	Bishop
6	1827720E	Pole	Bishop
7	1827721E	Pole	Bishop
8	524126E	Pole	Bishop
9	1735337E	Pole	Bishop
10	1735709E	Pole	Bishop
11	1735439E	Pole	Bishop
12	1735510E	Pole	Bishop
13	1735511E	Pole	Bishop
14	4329032E	Pole	Bishop
15	1735346E	Pole	Bishop
16	4665937E	Pole	Bishop
17	1735344E	Pole	Bishop
18	2144163E	Pole	Bishop
19	4390549E	Pole	Bishop
20	4329036E	Pole	Bishop
21	4329037E	Pole	Bishop
22	4329038E	Pole	Bishop
23	4329039E	Pole	Bishop
24	4329040E	Pole	Bishop
25	4329041E	Pole	Bishop
26	4241348E	Pole	Bishop
27	4234648E	Pole	Bishop
28	524656S	Pole	Bishop
29	524655S	Pole	Bishop
30	4234649E	Pole	Bishop
31	4329042E	Pole	Bishop
32	81639CTC	Pole	Bishop
33	2136585E	Pole	Bishop
34	1792041E	Pole	Bridgeport
35	1870910E	Pole	Bridgeport
36	1870909E	Pole	Bridgeport
37	24528S	Pole	Bridgeport
38	4615197E	Pole	Bridgeport
39	4919529E	Pole	Bridgeport
40	1875586E	Pole	Bridgeport
41	4924854E	Pole	Bridgeport
42	4664637E	Pole	Bridgeport

43	4922586E	Pole	Bridgeport
44	4865564E	Pole	Bridgeport
45	4865566E	Pole	Bridgeport
46	4093049E	Pole	Bridgeport
47	1709875E	Pole	Bridgeport
48	4550392E	Pole	Bridgeport
49	445050S	Pole	Bridgeport
50	445048S	Pole	Bridgeport
51	4844780E	Pole	Bridgeport
52	1618080E	Pole	Bridgeport
53	1618083E	Pole	Bridgeport
54	1618081E	Pole	Bridgeport
55	1618082E	Pole	Bridgeport
56	4093023E	Pole	Bridgeport
57	4460662E	Pole	Bridgeport
58	4573295E	Pole	Bridgeport
59	24553S	Pole	Bridgeport
60	2172176E	Pole	Bridgeport
61	345199S	Pole	Bridgeport
62	345198S	Pole	Bridgeport
63	1735504E	Pole	Bridgeport
64	1735387E	Pole	Bridgeport
65	4927840E	Pole	Bridgeport
66	4869512E	Pole	Bridgeport
67	4854879E	Pole	Bridgeport
68	1870920E	Pole	Bridgeport
69	4927589E	Pole	Bridgeport
70	1827711E	Pole	Bridgeport
71	1901428E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
72	1901429E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
73	1901415E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
74	1901432E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
75	1901431E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
76	4715277E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
77	1901430E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
78	1901416E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
79	2054169E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
80	1901424E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
81	1901426E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
82	1901425E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
83	1937583E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
84	4663565E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
85	4464190E	Pole	Mammoth Lake
86	M7370V	Pole	Bishop
87	M7368V	Pole	Bishop
88	M7369V	Pole	Bishop
89	M7371V	Pole	Bishop
90	M7372V	Pole	Bishop
91	M26938V	Pole	Bishop

92	M31997V	Pole	Bishop
93	M20647V	Pole	Bishop
94	M19092V	Pole	Bishop
95	M7377V	Pole	Bishop
96	M18062V	Pole	Bishop
97	1854059E	Pole	Paradise Bishop
98	1854058E	Pole	Paradise Bishop
99	1854057E	Pole	Paradise Bishop
100	1854056E	Pole	Paradise Bishop
101	V5209183	Vault	Bishop
102	P5370421	Pad-mounted Transformer	Bishop
103	P5620036	Pad-mounted Switch	Bishop
104	P5620037	Pad-mounted Transformer	Bishop
105	P5462140	Pad-mounted Transformer	Bishop
106	P5300780	Pad-mounted Transformer	Bishop
107	P5503504	Pad-mounted Transformer	Bishop
108	P5334016	Pad-mounted Transformer	Bishop
109	P5334017	Pad-mounted Transformer	Bishop
110	P5413764	Pad-mounted Switch	Mammoth Lake
111	P5414202	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake
112	P5653809	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake
113	P5642220	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake
114	P5370544	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake
115	P5011308	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake
116	P5011310	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake
117	P5006631	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake
118	PM5006635	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake
119	P5462125	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake
120	P5062623	Pad-mounted Transformer	Mammoth Lake

IV. Field Inspection Violations List

My staff observed the following violations during the field inspection portion of the audit.

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.

SCE's facilities on the following pole required maintenance:

- Pole No. 4052751E – the pole tag was damaged.
- Pole No. 4715277E – the pole visibility strip was damaged.

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.

Unauthorized foreign attachment was attached to the following SCE pole:

- Pole No. 1937583E – business advertisement sign written “ACE Hardware”

GO 95, Rule 51.6, 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 sign on each of the following SCE poles was damaged:

- Pole No. 1735340E
- Pole No. 1735336E
- Pole No. 1735346E
- Pole No. 1735344E
- Pole No. 2054169E
- Pole No. 1901426E

GO 128, Rule 17.1, 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 [the] communication or supply lines and equipment.

The following pad-mounted facilities required maintenance:

- P5462140 - vegetation was obstructing the opening.
- Pad-mounted transformer No. P5011308 - the required working space was obstructed by a wooden plank and could not be opened.
- Pad-mounted transformer No. P5462125 - the required working space was obstructed by a bent metal bar and could not be opened.