

May 12, 2017

Fadi Daye, P.E.
Program and Project Supervisor
California Public Utilities Commission
Electric Safety and Reliability Branch
Safety and Enforcement Division
320 West 4th St., Ste. 500
Los Angeles, California 90013

CPUCID: N/A
Regarding: Notice of Violation
Incident date: August 1, 2015
Incident location: Near Desert Knoll Avenue and Valle Vista Road, Twenty Nine Palms

Dear Mr. Daye:

On behalf of the Southern California Edison Company, please accept this letter as acknowledgement and response to your letter dated April 11, 2017 regarding the above-referenced incident investigation.

Your letter states that on August 1, 2015, near Desert Knoll Avenue and Valle Vista Road, in the city of Twenty Nine Palms, a crossarm attached to SCE pole 43502S failed, causing a 12kV overhead conductor to become suspended less than 8 feet above the ground. As a result of this condition, an individual riding an off-road vehicle struck the line. Subsequently, two other men, while attempting to assist the rider, also suffered injuries consistent with contacting an energized conductor.

Your letter also alleges that SCE is in violation of General Order (GO) 95, Rules 31.1, 37, 51.6, and 48. SCE respectfully disagrees that we violated these rules.

Without admitting to a violation of any GO 95 rules, please be advised that following the incident, the original #6 stranded copper conductors in the damaged span were replaced with 1/0 ACSR conductor. Additionally, a new crossarm, new insulators, and new high voltage signs were installed.

Very truly yours,



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cc: Koko Tomassian, P.E, ESRB, Los Angeles