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May 14, 2009

Donald Johnson
Project Manager
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RE: SCE Antelope Transmission Project, Segment 2 – Modification to Variance Request #40

Dear Mr. Johnson,

On May 14, 2009, Southern Californian Edison (SCE) submitted a Modification to Variance Request #40 requesting an extension of the allowed Sundays authorized under Variance Request #40 to include May 17th and May 24th, 2009. SCE would like to take full advantage of the outage to the high-voltage transmission lines (Midway-Vincent 500 kV) located within or near the City of Palmdale and the County of Los Angeles, Segment 2. **This Variance Request is approved by CPUC for the proposed activities based on the following factors:**

- SCE submitted the following information:

This request is to amend Variance #40 and include the dates of 05/17/09 and 05/24/09. Due to weather conditions, the outage to the Sagebrush Transmission Line was cancelled before the work could be completed. The timeframe for the Sagebrush outage has been extended through May 24, 2009 so that the work can be completed and the outage to the Midway-Vincent 500kV can be released. An outage to the Sagebrush Transmission Line is necessary for the completion of work and for restoring the Midway-Vincent 500kV line back to service. Work hours for these two additional Sundays will remain as approved with Variance #40, from 6:30am to 7:00pm.

Working on Sundays is necessary to take full advantage of the outage to the high-voltage transmission lines (Midway-Vincent 500 kV) located within or near the City of Palmdale and the County of Los Angeles. Finishing these activities on time during the outage is necessary to successfully string in the wire, complete the associated construction activities, and minimize the outage period.

Because of the anticipated increase in electricity demand as the summer months approach, it is important to complete the work as quickly as possible so that the outage can be released and the impact to the public can be lessened. In order to complete these operations safely and efficiently, PAR may need to work on the two upcoming Sundays.

- On April 6, 2009, the City of Palmdale Public Works Department issued a letter allowing an exemption to the “building construction hours of operation” as listed in Section 8.28.030 of the City Municipal Code for the Sundays originally requested under Variance Request #40. SCE will be required to submit approval from the City of Palmdale for the additional Sundays prior to commencing with work on Sunday, May 17 or 24.
- On April 8, 2009, Los Angeles County issued an exemption to their noise ordinance allowing work on the Sundays originally requested under Variance Request #40. SCE will be required to submit

approval from Los Angeles County for the additional Sundays prior to commencing with work on Sunday, May 17 or 24.

The conditions noted below shall be met by SCE and its contractors:

- Prior to commencing with work on either Sunday, May 17 or 24, SCE shall submit to the CPUC the applicable authorizations from the City of Palmdale and County of Los Angeles.
- All project mitigation measures, compliance plans, and permit conditions shall be implemented during construction activities.
- Copies of all relevant permits, compliance plans, and this Variance shall be available on site for the duration of construction activities.
- Any complaints received regarding the Sunday work shall be forwarded to the CPUC Project Manager and CPUC EM.

Sincerely,

John Boccio
CPUC Environmental Project Manager

cc: V. Strong, Aspen