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Donald Johnson
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RE: SCE Antelope Transmission Project, Segment 2 and 3A – Variance Request #61

Dear Mr. Johnson,

On October 21, 2009, Southern Californian Edison (SCE) submitted a Variance Request for a deviation in allowed construction work hours. SCE would like to work the hours of 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on two Sundays (October 25 and November 1, 2009) to take full advantage of the outage for multiple high-voltage transmission lines located within or near the City of Palmdale on Segment 2 and 3A of the Antelope Transmission Project in Los Angeles County, California. **This Variance Request is approved by CPUC for the proposed activities based on the following factors:**

- SCE submitted the following information:

Southern California Edison (SCE) is requesting a variance from construction work hours. This request is for the hours of 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on two Sundays: October 25, and November 1, 2009. Working on Sunday is necessary to take full advantage of the outage for multiple high-voltage transmission lines (Midway-Vincent 500 kV, Sagebrush and Wilderness 220 kV, Antelope-Neenach & Antelope-Cal Cement 66 kV, and Antelope-Magunden #1 and #2 220 kV) located within or near the City of Palmdale and the County of Los Angeles. Permission is pending from both public entities and the exemptions will be submitted to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) as they are received.

Description of Work

There are three different locations along the Project in which work will need to occur during the scheduled outage:

1. Hijack at Const. 76-80 on Segment 2
2. Const. 115 to M112-T6A near Vincent Substation
3. Const. 94-97 on Segment 3A

The first location is the southernmost "Hijack" area, Const. 76-80 in Segment 2, which involves connecting the newly built transmission line (Antelope-Vincent 500 kV) to an existing transmission line (Midway-Vincent 500 kV). The second location is near the Vincent Substation, where conductor will be installed from the new Const. 115, through the existing structure M112-T6A, to the Vincent Shoo Fly Structure 1. The third location is the wire stringing from Const. 94 – Const. 97 in Segment 3A.

Construction activities will include the stringing of new conductor (wire), the modification of existing transmission structures, and the setting of guard structures for the protection of roadways and other transmission or distribution lines during wire stringing.

Finishing the aforementioned activities on time during the outage is necessary to successfully string conductor, complete the associated construction activities, and minimize the outage period. Due to

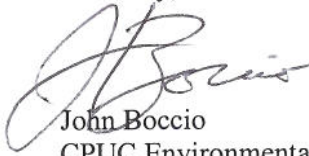
electricity demand, some of the outages may only be available on weekends. Additionally, this will take full advantage of the scheduled outages and reduce the number of outages needed on the transmission lines, because work will occur at several locations.

In order to complete these operations safely and efficiently, PAR may need to work Sundays. PAR is in the process of obtaining variances from both the City of Palmdale and the county of Los Angeles for this work; copies of these variance approvals will be provided to the CPUC prior to the commencement of work.

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

- The approved variances from the City of Palmdale and the County of Los Angeles shall be submitted to the CPUC prior to Sunday construction.
- Any complaints received regarding the Sunday work shall be forwarded to the CPUC Project Manager and CPUC EM.
- All project mitigation measures, compliance plans, and permit conditions shall be implemented during construction activities. Some measures are on-going/time-sensitive requirements and shall be implemented prior to and during construction where applicable.
- Copies of all relevant permits, compliance plans, and this Variance shall be available on site for the duration of construction activities where applicable, including the variance request and maps.

Sincerely,



John Boccio
CPUC Environmental Project Manager

cc: V. Strong, Aspen