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January 29, 2019

Ms. Jennifer L. Kaminsky
San Diego Gas and Electric Company
8326 Century Park Court
San Diego, CA 92123-4150

RE: Request for Additional Data #1 – Petition for Modification for the Sycamore-Peñasquitos 230-Kilovolt Transmission Line Project – Decision No. 16-10-005

Dear Ms. Kaminsky,

San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) filed a Petition for Modification (PFM) of Decision 16-10-005 on January 23, 2019, to amend the Sycamore-Peñasquitos 230-Kilovolt Transmission Line Project (Project). The CPUC requests additional data and clarifications as indicated in the attached data needs Table 1.

Information provided by SDG&E in response to this Request for Additional Data should be sent to the Energy Division in both hardcopy and electronic format, and to our consultant, Panorama Environmental, in electronic format. We request that SDG&E respond to this request no later than February 5. Delays in responding to these data needs will result in associated delays of the CPUC's review.

The Energy Division reserves the right to request additional information at any point during the review of the PFM.

Please direct questions related to this application to me at (916) 823-4799 or Billie.Blanchard@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Billie Blanchard".

Billie Blanchard
Project Manager
Energy Division, CEQA Unit

cc: Lon Maier, Supervisor
Marcelo Poirier, CPUC Attorney
Susanne Heim, Project Manager, Panorama Environmental

**REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL DATA:
DATA NEEDS #1 FOR THE SYCAMORE-PEÑASQUITOS
230-KILOVOLT TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT
REQUEST FOR PETITION FOR MODIFICATION (D. 16-10-005)**

REPORT OVERVIEW

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has identified areas where more information is needed to analyze the potential environmental effects of the Petition for Modification (PFM) in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Data needs are identified in bold. Clarifying information is provided below the data need.

Table 1: Decision No. 16-10-005 Request for PFM Data Needs #1

#	Reference Source	Data Need
1	PFM Project Description	<p>Provide GIS shapefiles for the proposed PFM activities.</p> <p>GIS shapefiles are needed to understand the location of the project components and verify the potential impacts of the PFM. GIS should include, but need not be limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workspaces • Staging areas • Access roads (both primary and secondary) • Transmission structures and/or facilities affected by the proposed project modifications • Guard structures
2	PFM Project Description	<p>Identify staging areas to be used during construction.</p> <p>It is the CPUC's understanding that staging areas used during construction of the Sycamore-Peñasquitos 230-kV transmission line have been closed. Please identify the staging/parking areas that would be used during construction of the PFM activities.</p>
3	Cultural Resources	<p>Provide documentation of cultural resources survey boundaries and resource locations within the survey area.</p> <p>Survey boundaries and resource locations are required to ensure that all work spaces have been adequately surveyed and resources can be avoided. Confidential material may be sent to the CPUC's Cultural Resources Consultant:</p> <p>Curt Duke, M.A., RPA DUKE CRM 18 Technology Drive, Suite #103 Irvine, CA 92618. curt@dukecrm.com</p>
4	PEA Environmental Impact Assessment	<p>Update the Environmental Impact Assessment Questions and Topics in the PEA (Appendix D to the PFM) to reflect the updated CEQA Guidelines Appendix G Questions.</p> <p>The 2019 CEQA Guidelines Update went into effect on December 28, 2018. Some of the Appendix G Checklist questions have changed as a result of</p>

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		<p>the update to the CEQA Guidelines. The questions included in the PEA should follow the current CEQA Guidelines.</p> <p>Note that the analysis of Tribal Cultural Resources should rely on information that is available to SDG&E through cultural resource investigations and SDG&E's coordination with Native Americans about the project. The CPUC will not be initiating AB 52 consultation for the PFM because none of the circumstance that require notification under AB 52 are triggered by this PFM.</p>