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VIA E-MAIL

Scott Drury, Chief Executive Officer
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SUBJECT: Ventura Compressor Station

Dear Mr. Drury:

Thank you for the Data Request 5 (DR-5) response submitted by Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) on August 6, 2021 and your letter of August 13, 2021.

This letter memorializes SoCalGas' commitment to meaningfully engage the public by more fully discussing SoCalGas' plans for the Ventura Compressor Station in a public forum. This approach will increase community engagement and may lead to the incorporation of community interests into SoCalGas' plans. The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) also looks forward to reviewing a more detailed feasibility analysis of potential alternative sites and equipment configurations.

While SoCalGas is performing more detailed feasibility analysis of alternative sites and configurations, the CPUC requests that SoCalGas halt further planning and procurement for the Ventura Compressor Station modernization project. Until SoCalGas completes all additional review that SoCalGas has committed to do in the DR-5 response, it would be premature to commit to costly purchases.

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To be clear, the CPUC expects SoCalGas to continue with soil remediation work as planned in accordance with the Department of Toxic Substances Control's (DTSC) requirements.

Sincerely,



Rachel Peterson
Executive Director

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