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CPUC/BLM c/o Aspen Environmental Group 235 Montgomery Street, Suite 935 San Francisco, CA 94104

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a ten-year resident of Julian, and I am writing to voice my opposition to the proposed placement of the Sunrise Powerlink through Santa Ysabel valley on two accounts. As noted in the EIR, one is fire risk. In our very recent memory, we have suffered catastrophic wildfires because of a downed power line. Placing the powerlink through this area significantly increases risks to our homes and livelihoods.

Additionally, I oppose the powerlink for historic and cultural reasons. Every time I drive down the mountain from Julian I marvel at the relatively untouched Santa Ysabel valley. It is not only a beautiful landscape but it is also an important gateway to the historic town of Julian. The EIR correctly points out that massive structures strung through that valley will seriously compromise the scenic value of the area. San Diego has nothing else like it---please don't mar the view or subtract from the tourist appeal of our little gem of a town.

Sincerely,
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