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Dear CPUC and BLM,

This letter is in response to the proposed Modified Route D Alternative for the SDG&E Sunrise Powerlink Project. I am opposed to the modified Route D Alternative and find it to be in direct violation of all that I stand for and oppose it in its entirety.

Although I take no position on other alternatives, the Modified Route D Alternative is too close to residential areas and is a threat to the peaceful country setting our citizens have come to enjoy. Furthermore, it cuts through sensitive cultural, biological and geological areas such as "the narrows" and the Hauser Primitive Area. The Narrows is one of the most visited bird watching areas in the County and the Hauser Primitive Area is so sensitive that it is off-limits to even the Border Patrol. Finally, I would remind you that the Kitchen Creek Fire in 1970 started from a power line near where this proposal is designated to go through the Cleveland National Forest. That fire nearly burned all the way to San Diego and the devastation in the backcountry was terrible. Fire in Hauser canyon has claimed eleven lives in the past and it remains a dangerous tinderbox of heavy growth vegetation. Let's not cause a repeat of history.

The modified Route D Alternative is a bad idea on many levels and should be eliminated quickly in order to focus time and resources on more viable alternatives.

Sincerely,

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