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March 27, 2008

Mr. Kevin O'Beirne
San Diego Gas & Electric Company
8830 Century Park Court – CP32D
San Diego, CA. 92123

**Re: Data Request #25 for the SDG&E Sunrise Powerlink Transmission Project,
Application No. 06-08-010**

Dear Mr. O'Beirne:

The California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) Energy Division and its consultant team are currently preparing the Final EIR/EIS for the Sunrise Powerlink Project. We have received SDG&E's Responses to Data Requests No. 1 through 23, and we anticipate receipt of SDG&E's Response to Data Request No. 24 on April 2, 2008. During the analysis of comments on the Draft EIR/EIS or of Testimony in Phase 2 of the ALJ's proceeding, we have identified additional items that require information from SDG&E; these items are detailed in the attachment to this letter.

Additional data requests may be necessary to address alternatives and other CEQA/NEPA topics. This letter constitutes Data Request No. 25. We would appreciate receiving your response to this request by April 7, 2008.

Please submit one set of responses to me and one to Susan Lee at Aspen in San Francisco, in both hard copy and electronic format. Any questions on this data request should be directed to me at (415) 703-2068.

Sincerely,

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cc: Sean Gallagher, CPUC Energy Division Director
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Susan Lee, Aspen Environmental Group

Data Request 25

25-1 Transmission Tower Design Changes and Visual Impacts. In SDG&E's 3/19/08 supplemental Response to MGRA Data Request #6, SDG&E states that "Values for maximum wind gust indicated for two transmission line segments have been revised...to match the values currently being used for transmission structure design for maximum wind gust" due to the fact that "SDG&E has chosen to apply a more conservative value for this project based on the wind speed study for a 50 year return period."

Does this change in wind loading criteria change the appearance or visual quality of any of the proposed transmission towers? If so, please provide detailed drawings and photos showing any changes.