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Juan Sandoval, Assistant Manager, IID Energy  
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**Re: Request for Additional Information Regarding Proposed Sunrise Powerlink  
Transmission Project, CPUC Application No. 06-08-010**

Dear Mr. Sandoval:

We appreciate the information you provided in response to our letter of January 4, 2007. As part of the EIR/EIS preparation process for the Sunrise Powerlink Project, we are continuing to evaluate a wide range of potential alternatives to the project defined by SDG&E. We have an additional request related to alternatives within IID's service territory.

As you may have noted in the "Notice of Second Round of Scoping Meetings" that was mailed a week ago, the EIR/EIS team has identified an alternative north of the Imperial Valley Substation called the "Imperial Valley FTHL Alternative". Its purpose was to avoid the critical habitat for the flat-tailed horned lizard along the first 5 miles of the proposed Sunrise route. We have noted that this route is very similar to a 230 kV route identified by IID in its information provided to our EIR/EIS team for identification of cumulative projects: the line to the Dixieland Substation. The two figures on the following page show the locations of the proposed route, the FTHL Alternative, and the IID Dixieland 230 kV line.

We would like to ensure that this alternative does not conflict with future IID projects, and that we clearly understand the relationship of these routes to each other. Please provide us with a detailed map showing the exact route of the 230 kV line to Dixieland Substation, and also the proposed location of the Dixieland Substation itself.

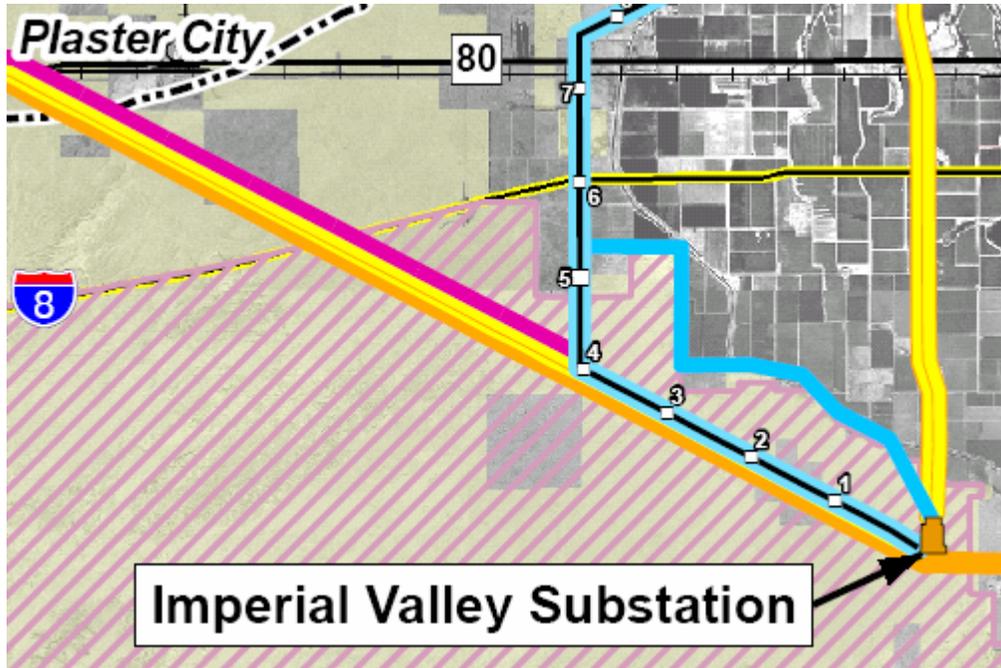
We would appreciate your prompt response to this request, which will allow us to maintain our current EIR/EIS schedule. If possible, please respond to these items within one week (by February 5, 2007). Any questions on this information request should be directed to me at (415) 703-2068.

Sincerely,

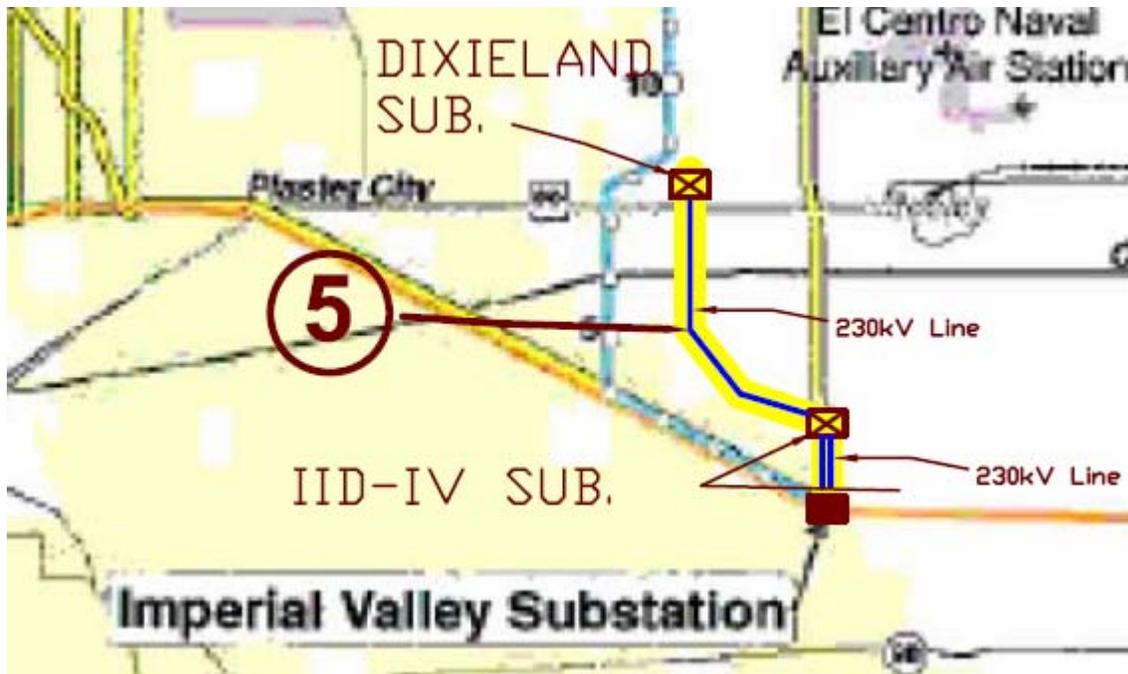
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Attachment

cc: Sean Gallagher, CPUC Energy Division Director  
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Steve Weissman, ALJ  
Traci Bone, Advisor to Commissioner Grueneich  
Nicholas Sher/Jason Reiger, CPUC Legal Division  
Lynda Kastoll, BLM  
Susan Lee, Aspen Environmental Group



The proposed Sunrise Powerlink route is indicated with a blue/black line with milepost numbers. The solid blue line north and east of the proposed route is the "Imperial Valley FTHL (Flat-Tailed Horned Lizard) Alternative".



Same map segment as above. Map was provided by IID to help the EIR/EIS team identify "cumulative projects" for EIR/EIS analysis. Note that the route from the Imperial Valley Substation to the new Dixieland Substation appears to be very similar to that shown for the Imperial Valley FTHL Alternative above.