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10 MR. BRITT: So with that, if there is anyone that would like
11 to make a comment, we're going to invite you to submit
12 your comment card and then come up to the mic.

13 Looks like we might have one taker. So as we are
14 waiting for that, just to remind you, our meetings
15 tomorrow in Beaumont start at 3:00 and 5:00, and they are
16 located at the Beaumont Civic Center auditorium gym at 550
17 East Sixth Street in Beaumont. So providing one in the
18 middle of the day and one after hours as well.

19 UNKNOWN SPEAKER: General questions also require
20 going to the microphone?

21 MR. BRITT: We would prefer that because we do
22 have a court reporter, so we want to get all the
23 information that you provide. So it would help us if you
24 do that.

25 LINDA REHM: I don't know if this is the time to

1 bring this up or not. But just in reading the mail-out
2 that was sent, it had the maps and so on. And so I'm the
3 property manager for Corporate Business Center, and it
4 consists of 31 office industrial buildings right off
5 Mountain View Avenue. And so I talked to the owner of the
6 property today who we manage the property for, and we had
7 some questions in terms of how -- it looked like we were
8 in segment number 2, but we wanted verification of that.
9 And then we wanted to find out on the map exactly where we
10 were in relation to your line item diagram of the
11 different sections. And then through our park, business
12 park, is an orange grove, and we actually have Edison
13 towers. And so I didn't -- I didn't bring four. I just
14 brought one. And before I came here, I marked where the
15 towers were located in the orange grove, the large one --
16 the tall ones and the shorter ones. And one of the
17 questions that the owner has is are these going to be
18 replaced. And if they are, is it -- they're going to be
19 replaced with new ones and what would be those sizes. So
20 I don't know if this is the time to do that or I can wait
21 until after the meeting.

22 MS. LEE: You know, I think what would be most
23 useful -- we'll be here for a while -- is for us to go to
24 look at your area in most detail. We would love to have a
25 copy of what you have, and we'll scan it and share it

1 amongst ourselves. But let's meet in the back corner
2 where we have the really detailed maps.

3 LINDA REHM: Yeah, that's good.

4 MS. LEE: And show you exactly what we have. I
5 know exactly where that is. I think we just want to
6 understand so we can answer your questions. That's great.
7 Thank you.

8 LINDA REHM: Thank you.

9 MR. BRITT: Just go ahead and bring it forward.
10 And then just state your name for the record. Thank you.

11 BILL OLINGER: My name is Bill Olinger. I'm a
12 local resident. In fact, I live right at the base of the
13 Loma Linda hills right out here, kind of a little bit
14 northeast of Hoover Crooks Park. And my questions could
15 be answered by looking at the map, but it would appear
16 that one segment runs along these hills maybe coming in
17 through Grand Terrace and San Timoteo. And those towers I
18 can see from my front yard. And is the other segment,
19 then, that easement that runs through where there are two
20 different residential areas and a very wide kind of a
21 recreational walkway?

22 MS. LEE: You're exactly right, yeah.

23 BILL OLINGER: Okay.

24 MS. LEE: Segment 1, actually -- and the labels
25 were reversed on that one map. Segment 1 is the one that

1 where the two towers come down in pairs off the top of the
2 hill right above you through the park and all the way down
3 to the Mountain View substation which is across the 210
4 kind of on the corner of Mountain View Avenue and San
5 Bernardino Avenue. So yeah, that is one segment. So the
6 pair of towers that come down there, those will all be
7 removed and replaced.

8 BILL OLINGER: In most cases with taller ones?

9 MS. LEE: They're slightly taller, yeah. The
10 dimensions, they're all a little different depending on
11 the elevation and the ground level and things like that.
12 But we actually have, on these little diagrams in the back
13 of this notice, the average height of what's there now
14 compared with the average height of what will be there
15 before -- when this is done. So we can kind of go over
16 that with you.

17 So that's one segment. And you're right. The
18 other one, because we're right here at this fork, is the
19 ones that go across the top of the hill. In that case you
20 can see a couple lines up there. Only one of those, one
21 double circuit tower that goes into the Vista substation
22 in Grand Terrace, one of those will be removed and
23 replaced with new towers.

24 BILL OLINGER: Okay. So the visual impact is not
25 going to be tremendous on the hills there then?

1 MS. LEE: You know, I think there are
2 simulations. We'll be doing simulations. But you will
3 still see one tower. You know, one comes down. One comes
4 up. The locations will be slightly different just based
5 on the engineering issues. But the height difference is
6 not dramatic. Again, we have the average height before
7 and after in here, and we can show you where those are.

8 BILL OLINGER: Okay.

9 MS. LEE: So it probably depends on exactly where
10 you're looking from. You may see a tower in one location
11 that wasn't there before. But for the most part, the
12 numbers of towers are not very different between what's
13 there now and what's going to be there later.

14 BILL OLINGER: My other concern would just be
15 would there be any lengthy road closures in the
16 residential area there or lots of construction noise?

17 MS. LEE: That's something we're actually going
18 to look at very carefully in the environmental report.
19 And we need to pin down the construction schedule. The
20 construction of the project will be extended over three to
21 four years from one end to the other all the way from
22 North Palm Springs to North Palm Desert to Colton, Grand
23 Terrace and San Bernardino, Redlands. So the schedule for
24 each segment isn't defined yet. And the extent to which
25 city streets would be used versus the actual right-of-way,

1 we don't know all those details. But it's something that
2 we're -- we know needs to be explained. And we've
3 actually had that question asked us this afternoon by some
4 of the folks with the City of Redlands. So we're going to
5 be talking to Southern Cal Edison to get a good
6 understanding of the use of city streets. Road closures,
7 I think, are unlikely because it's wires crossing the
8 roads, and the towers are in the right-of-way itself.

9 BILL OLINGER: You said they are unlikely?

10 MS. LEE: I think it's unlikely. I would
11 hesitate to go much beyond that. But -- or, I should say,
12 maybe not very long. Because even to cross -- you know,
13 like this project crosses interstates in a couple places.
14 And you can't run new wires across an interstate while
15 it's running. But they tend to do those in the middle of
16 the night.

17 BILL OLINGER: Okay. Thank you.

18 MS. LEE: So we'll address that. Thank you.

19 MR. BRITT: All right. Is there anyone else that
20 would like to make a comment tonight?

21 All right. Well, seeing none, we will be staying
22 around a little while or as long as you would like to talk
23 to you -- do you have a comment?

24 TERRENCE EMERSHY: Yeah, I do.

25 MR. BRITT: Go ahead and bring it forward.

1 Then just state your name. Thank you.

2 TERRENCE EMERSHY: Terrency Emershy from San
3 Bernardino. I had a couple of questions.

4 I noted on one of your slides that it showed, I
5 think, in San Timoteo Heights. My family has some
6 property in San Timoteo Canyon in segment 3, I believe it
7 is. And I'm curious. It shows that, I think, they're
8 going to remove 116 towers in San Timoteo Canyon. I think
9 that's what I saw. And they're going to replace it with
10 133. And I'm curious where the locations of all of those
11 are going to go if they're reducing by one set of towers.
12 I might have misunderstood what I saw on that.

13 Are you familiar with that at all? It was in one
14 of the earlier slides where it broke down how many towers
15 you guys were going to be putting up and taking down.

16 MS. LEE: Right. You're right. That's the data
17 that is shown in here. And the -- you're correct. There
18 are three sets of towers that run along the hillside in
19 San Timoteo, and they will be replaced by two sets of
20 towers. So -- if this is correct. If it's not correct,
21 one of you can correct us. We have some folks from Edison
22 here. If it's correct, it would only be because a couple
23 of the towers would be closer together than they are
24 currently. We do have some more detailed maps we can show
25 you. They're with some preliminary engineering on them

1 that shows where the towers --

2 TERRENCE EMERSHY: I was hoping to see some of
3 that. I'm probably at the wrong meeting for what I'm
4 looking for.

5 MS. LEE: This is a perfect meeting for that,
6 actually, because San Timoteo where it runs between here
7 and Banning -- we were in Banning yesterday. So whichever
8 end is closer for you, this is perfect and we have -- we
9 can kind of walk you through the preliminary engineering
10 for what this looks like and show you the proposals for
11 what would come out and what would go in. And it gives
12 you a sense of how the engineering will work for that. So
13 let us meet you in the back of the room.

14 TERRENCE EMERSHY: Okay. That's fine.

15 MS. LEE: We'll walk through it.

16 TERRENCE EMERSHY: That's generally speaking what
17 I was interested in. Thank you.

18 MR. BRITT: All right. Anyone else?

19 Okay. Then just as a reminder, this all will
20 culminate in a draft report, which there will be a 45-day
21 public comment period at that point in review of the
22 document.

23 Do we have any idea when that will be released,
24 the draft document?

25 MS. BLANCHARD: I had indicated that it's

1 estimated fall 2014.

2 MR. BRITT: Fall 2014, okay. So later this year.

3 MS. BLANCHARD: That's as close as we can get
4 right now.

5 MR. BRITT: So no exact dates, but later on this
6 year.

7 So again, thank you so much for taking time out
8 of your busy schedules to come here tonight, and we'll
9 stay and answer your questions. Thank you.

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