

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
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## **NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

# **Mira Sorrento Substation Project Application No. A11-10-015**

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Chapter 5, Article I, San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) filed an application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for a Permit to Construct (PTC) on October 14, 2012, for the purpose of constructing the Mira Sorrento Substation Project (project) in San Diego, California.

Under the CPUC's rules, approval of this project must comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), including an assessment of the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. The CPUC proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project. This Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared based upon the assessment of potential environmental impacts outlined in the Initial Study prepared for the Mira Sorrento Substation Project.

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The proposed project is located in the Sorrento Mesa area within the community of Mira Mesa in the City of San Diego, California. The 1.4-acre Mira Sorrento substation would be located approximately 600 feet northeast of Interstate 805 and the substation site (approximately 3.7-acres) is located approximately 800 feet of the nearest residences. The new 120 megavolt ampere (MVA), 69/12-kilovolt (kV) distribution substation would be constructed and operated to meet existing and anticipated customer-driven electrical load growth and to improve distribution equipment reliability in the Sorrento Mesa area. Power to the substation facility would be supplied by an existing SDG&E 69 kV transmission line (TL665) that would require installation of underground transmission facilities off the substation site. Initially, six 12 kV underground distribution circuits would be installed and would be routed to Mira Sorrento Place to tie into the existing underground system serving the area. At full buildout the substation would consist of four 30 MVA transformer banks, four 69 kV tie lines, sixteen 12 kV circuits, four 12 kV capacitors and four bays of standard steel rack approximately 30 feet tall of 69 kV bus, 69 kV transformer. Access to the substation facility will be via two 30-foot-wide driveways from Mira Sorrento Place to the west of the substation.

In order to help understand the proposed project and the CEQA document the CPUC will hold a public meeting on June 27, 2012, Courtyard Marriott, located at 9650 Scranton Road, San Diego, California 92121. The public information meeting on the proposed project and the CEQA document will start promptly at 6:00 p.m. and will end at 8:00 p.m. At the public meeting, the environmental team and CPUC staff will be available to discuss the environmental document

and to obtain public comments on the environmental document. In addition, comment cards will be available for the public to provide written comments on the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Mitigated Negative Declaration, including the Initial Study, is available on the project website:

<http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/MiraSorrento/MiraSorrentoSub.htm>

Copies of the document are also available for review at the following library:

San Diego Public Library  
Mira Mesa Branch  
8405 New Salem Street  
San Diego, CA 92126

The public review period for the Mitigated Negative Declaration begins on June 13, 2012. The CPUC will be accepting comments on the document during this timeframe. Written comments will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on July 13, 2012, and should be sent to:

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