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Dear Ms. Blanchard and Ms. Kastrol
RE: SUNRISE MODIFIED ROUTE D ALTERNATIVE

This letter is in opposition to the proposed power line in its total concept. Specifically the Modified Route D Alternate.

THE alternate answer is the power that the tide creates day in and day out... You can set your watch by it. Why has this not been studied and adopted? The line would sit at a level that divers can work in and is infinite. I have proposed this at the meeting held in the area last year and this year in Boulevard.

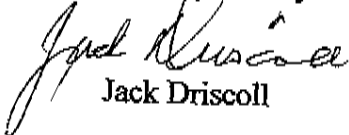
It is workable, as other countries have been using this system for years. Free so to speak. It would be at least 100 feet below the surface. Two tunnels on each side and one in the middle for maintenance. This would be located on a flat bottom with good tide surge. We are only talking about a 20 to 25-mile strip of coast that needs the power anyway.

The 500KV line now on the south end of my land is fueled by coal and begins in New Mexico. On the Navaho reservation. The reservation has the largest natural gas deposits in the United States.

The three lines that cross the Highway 98 in the Imperial Valley coming from Mexico are fueled by the dirty propane from abroad causing all kinds of pollution. Where does that power go? With one open side.

The plan to underground the power line called Modified Route D Alternate at some point would require a substation of at least 40 acres. The underground section would need be 100 feet wide. It would need to be patrolled night and day, 365 days a year. To shut it down if needed would take at least a day or more. Maybe you should think about all of this before making a decision.

Thank you for your attention.


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