

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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May 15, 2017

Ms. Jennifer Kaminsky  
San Diego Gas and Electric Company  
1010 Tavern Road  
Alpine, CA 91901

**RE: Approval of Nest Buffer Reduction Request #4**

Dear Ms. Kaminsky,

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Energy Division CEQA Unit has reviewed the Nest Buffer Reduction Request #4 submitted by San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) on May 12, 2017 for the Sycamore-Peñasquitos 230-kV Transmission Line Project. The CPUC's comments on the Request are provided below, which has been uploaded as a response attachment to SDG&E's SharePoint site for the Nest Buffer Reduction Request #4 (SXPQ-10191-ENV-TR).

Nest Buffer Reduction Request #4 is approved with the following conditions:

- Increase or reinstate the buffer if there are signs of significant disturbance and risk of project-induced nest abandonment consistent with Mitigation Measure Biology-7.

Please direct questions related to these comments to me at (415) 703-2168 or [billie.blanchard@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:billie.blanchard@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Billie Blanchard".

Billie Blanchard  
Project Manager  
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cc: Jeff Thomas, Panorama Environmental  
Susanne Heim, Panorama Environmental  
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