## Comment Set C.79: John Michael Medicis

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TO: THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (SCOPING COMMENTS) & HOMEOWNER OBJECTIONS CPUC/USDA Forest Service

Antelope-Pardee 500kV Transmission Project 30423 Canwood Street, Suite 215 Agoura Hills, CA 91301

### Dear Public Utilities Commission:

My wife and I reside in Leona Valley. Our address is 39753 87th St. West, Leona Valley, CA 93551. We are adamantly opposed to transmission liners being placed within th Leona Valley area, for many reasons the least of which is that it would effectively destroy many of the benefits we now enjoy as homeowners. It would also cause our property to be directly, or indirectly affected, and cause a decrease in the value of our property. Additionally, it would pose other risks, especially fire safety issues to the homeowners of Leona Valley whether or not their property is located directly in the path of the lines, or even if they are located some distance away.

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The following objections are hereby made by my wife and I to the proposed Antelope Pardee 500-KV Transmission project:

1. F-9: Project operation would adversely affect community safety. F-7 adversely affects	C.79-2
fire prevention activities.	C.79-2
2. H-2: Degradation of surface water or ground water quality would occur from the accidental	C.79-3
release of potentially harmful materials during construction activities, and "operational activities".	C.19-3
3. H-3: P-H-5 Project would cause radio or television interference.	C.79-4
4. H-4: Disturbance of existing groundwater resources through project-related excavation	1
activities.	C 70 5
5. H-6: Runoff introduced as a result of permanent Project features would cause the	C.79-5
overloading of local storm water drainage system.	i
6. L-3: Operation of the Project would cause long term disruption of existing residential land	Ī
uses.	
7. L-6; the right-of-way expansion and larger 500kv towers would permanently preclude use	C.79-6
of Farmland.	C.79-0
8. S-3: Construction activities could cause a decrease in revenues for agricultural land	
owners.	i
9. U-4: Construction and operational water supply demands would require new or expanded	C.79-7
water entitlements or resources.	C.19-1
<ol><li>P-2: Operational activities could increase demands on fire and police protection.</li></ol>	0.700
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Also, it is my understanding that there <u>are other proposals available</u> to be utilized that would not have the detrimental impact that the two proposals going through Leona Valley would have.

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It would seem to me that the P.U.C. would utilize one of the proposals that would not damage and effectively destroy the community of Leona Valley. Again, my wife and I (our property) would be directly or indirectly affected and we hereby give notice of our <u>legal objections</u> to the P.U.C.

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As a long time California resident, as a taxpayer, and a practicing attorney, it seems to me to be outrageous to destroy a wonderful community (Leona Valley) simply because of a <u>preference</u> for one proposal over another proposal. It is my understanding that eminent domain is only to be used where there is no other recourse (plan) available. If eminent domain is used when it does not need to be utilized, it is our intention to take any and all appropriate legal action to recover damages, whether or not our property is itself subject to eminent domain proceedings. We will nonetheless suffer the loss of property value, safety risks, and other long-term damages which will be incurred by us.

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While the transmission project is being constructed in the Leona Valley area, it will cause potential long and short-term health risks- for instance the noise and dust of the project will expose us to potential sickness and disease. Additionally, the roads in Leona Valley will be closed on occasion during construction causing delays and waiting periods for access and egress to the Leona Valley residents- this same problem poses fire and health risks that cannot be protected against. Not only will there be potentially short-term health and fire risks, but there will be long-term risks from the transmission of large amounts of electricity to the nearby residents and probably all of the residents of Leona Valley.

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Finally, we will be seeking monetary damages for all of the above damages that we will likely sustain if any one of the proposals are utilized in Leona Valley. We will be seeking damages for any and all temporary as well as permanent loss of use of our property, loss of value to our property, and damages for any and all impact these proposals have on us as residents, homeowners, and on our land.

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Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Respectfully.

John Michael Medicis

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# Response to Comment Set C.79: John Michael Medicis

Comments C.79-1 through C.79-10 were previously submitted by the commenter (see responses to Comments C-58.1 through C-58.10).

- C.79-11 The potential impacts to noise, air quality (including construction-related dust), traffic (including road closures), and public health and safety as a result of Alternative 5 have been discussed in the EIR/EIS Sections C.10.10, C.2.10, C.13.10, and C.6.10, respectively.
  - We recognize that Alternative 5 would constrain the ability to aggressively fight a wildland fire in the vicinity of the route, and would create additional fire risks to inhabited areas such as Leona Valley and Agua Dulce (see discussion in Section D.5). Your concerns will be shared with the decision-makers who are reviewing the Project and alternatives at the USDA Forest Service and the CPUC.
- C.79-12 Please see General Response GR-1 regarding potential effects on property values and General Response GR-2 regarding property acquisition.