Comment Set DD.1: Santa Clarita Public Meeting (August 29th, 2:30PM)

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    PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW
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                         PUBLIC HEARING,
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   taken at City of Santa Clarita Activities Center,
18 Santa Clarita Room, 20880 Centre Point Parkway,
19 Santa Clarita, California, at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday,
20 August 29, 2006, before Catherine Fox, CSR No. 12494, a
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    Certified Shorthand Reporter within and for the State of
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       SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA; TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2006
                      2:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.
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             MR. BRITT: The way that we are going to do
   this public comment period is we are going to ask you to
    fill out a speaker card if you'd like to make a public
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    comment. And just come up here and drop it off. That's
    for the purpose of us just having it on record is who
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   the speakers were just so we can just make sure we know
11 who made the comments.
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             There also is a court reporter here, who will
13 be taking down all the comments as well. So when you
14 get the mic, if you could just state your name to begin
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    and then make your comment.
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             We would like to try to keep those to three
17 minutes, if possible. That way, it's equitable across
18 all the different meetings that we're having.
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             I should mention a couple other things. If, as
20 I mentioned earlier, you want to make a comment but you
21 don't want to stand up and say it in front of everyone,
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             There is a form that you can take with you
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   before you leave or mail it in or fax it in.
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It looks like this. It's designed as a
     self-mailer; so you just fold it in half on the back,
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     staple it, and then put a stamp on it and send it in.
              You can also e-mail us a comment through the
     information that's on the notice of preparation -- or
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     notice of availability, I should say, not preparation.
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     And that information is on that document as well.
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              So with that, we only have one speaker card, I
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    believe. So if anyone wants to -- decides to speak
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    while this gentleman is speaking, that's fine.
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              So, Brian Smith, come on up and make a comment.
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              MR. SMITH: My name is Brian Smith. I'm a
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     resident of the community by the name of Belcaro that is
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     on the west side of McBean, south of Copper Hill. It's
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     in between the San Francisquito Creek area and McBean.
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              And in this area, we have a new community of
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     275 homes that were just built in the last couple of
    years. A good portion of the community is adjacent to
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     the right-of-way in between mile -- I think it's 22.3
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     and 25.6, the first portion of that section.
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              And about a year ago, we visited Rio Norte. We
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    had a public presentation there. They showed some
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    proposals of what they were gonna do. And one of the
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     things that came up was using single-pole towers.
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              And I don't think the EIR has addressed the --
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     the visual impact of any one of the alternatives through
     that area.
              Alternative 1 and 3 both would create adverse
     visual impact. And replacing the existing 220-volt --
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    kilovolt lines with a 500 kilovolt single tower, or
     single-pole tower, I think would be very, very positive
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     towards the community.
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              A lot of the people in the community have their
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    front of their homes facing the right-of-way. And it
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    would be very adverse to have any one of the proposals
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    that I've seen through that area. It would be very
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    negative. And I don't think the EIR has addressed that.
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    So I would like to see them address it.
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              And the second thing is the EMF fields created
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    by the alternatives. In looking at the EIR, it has not
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     addressed the -- the specific patterns of the EMF
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    fields, the electromagnetic fields, on the neighborhoods
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     that are directly adjacent to that transmission line
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    right-of-way in that area.
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              They have addressed it very well with the
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     initial proposal. But for the alternatives 1 and 3,
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     they do not address the cross-section of the EMF fields
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     and how it will affect people that are living in the
     adjacent properties.
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              That's it. Thank you.
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              MR. BRITT: Thank you.
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              Would anyone else like to make a public
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     comment?
              Okay. Well, we want to thank you again for
     coming today. We are going to have having another
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6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	meeting tonight at 6:30 in the same location. So that will be the third meeting. And then we'll have another meeting tomorrow night. And that meeting is located at Aqua Dulce. And you're welcome to attend that as well if you'd like. So thank you very much for coming. We will be sticking around for a little while afterwards maybe before grabbing a bite to eat before our meeting tonight. And so if you would like to continue any discussions you started here in the Q & A, please feel free to do so. All right? Thank you very much.
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3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	I, the undersigned, a Certified Shorthand Reporter within and for the State of California, do hereby certify: That the foregoing proceedings were taken before me at the time and place herein set forth; that a verbatim record of the proceedings was made by me using machine shorthand which was thereafter transcribed under my direction; further, that the foregoing is an accurate transcription thereof. I further certify that I am neither financially interested in the action nor a relative or employee of any attorney of any of the parties. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have this date subscribed my name. Dated: CATHERINE FOX CSR NO. 12494

Response to Comment Set DD.1: Santa Clarita Public Meeting (August 29th, 2:30PM)

- DD.1-1 As discussed in Section C.15, the proposed Project and all alternatives (including Alternatives 1 and 3) would result in significant visual impacts. Please note that the Project would not replace 220-kV lines. The proposed Project and all alternatives would remove the existing 66-kV line along the Saugus-Del Sur utility corridor, and would replace existing single-circuit 500-kV towers with double-circuit 500-kV towers between Mile 20.3 to Mile 22.3, except for Alternative 3. Alternative 3 would not replace the existing single-circuit 500-kV towers between Mile 20.3 and Mile 22.3, but would place new single-circuit 500-kV towers in the vacant position within the existing Pardee-Vincent ROW.
- DD.1-2 Please see General Response GR-3 regarding electric and magnetic field (EMF) concerns associated with the proposed Project and alternatives.