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Donald Johnson
Project Manager
Southern California Edison
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RE: SCE Antelope-Pardee 500 kV Transmission Project, Segment 1 – Variance Request #71

Dear Mr. Johnson,

On June 22, 2010, Southern Californian Edison (SCE) submitted a variance requesting a change in construction work hours for the hours of 5:00 a.m. June 24 to midnight on June 25, 2010 in order to take full advantage of the outage to the Sagebrush 220 kV transmission line at the Antelope Substation located in the City of Lancaster, Los Angeles County. **This Variance Request is approved by CPUC for the proposed activities based on the following factors:**

- SCE submitted the following information:

Southern California Edison is requesting a variance from construction work hours. This request is for the hours of 5:00 a.m. June 24 to midnight on June 25, 2010. The extended work hours are necessary to take full advantage of the outage to the Sagebrush 220 kV transmission line at the Antelope Substation located in the City of Lancaster, California. A permit for construction noise is not required by the City of Lancaster, and there are no businesses or residences located within 500 feet of the construction activity.

The Sagebrush 220 kV transmission line relocation was approved by the CPUC on March 2, 2010 under Notice to Proceed (NTP) #29. The Contractor has determined that in order to complete a cut over required for the relocation during the scheduled outage of the transmission line, additional work hours will be needed. The start time for construction activities will be 5:00 a.m. on June 24, and the end time will be midnight, or 11:59 p.m., on June 25, 2010.

Finishing the aforementioned activities on time during the outage is necessary to successfully string in the wire, complete the associated construction activities, minimize the outage period, and will reduce the need for an additional outage.

- **Biological Resources:** No significant impacts to biological resources are anticipated with the implementation of this Variance.
- **Cultural Resources:** No significant impacts to cultural or paleontological resources are anticipated with the implementation of this Variance.

The conditions noted below shall be met by SCE and its contractors:

- No movement or staging of construction vehicles or equipment shall be allowed outside of the approved areas. If additional temporary workspace areas or access routes, or changes to construction technique or mitigation implementation to a lesser level are required, a Variance Request shall be submitted for CPUC review and approval.

- All project mitigation measures, compliance plans, and permit conditions shall be implemented during construction activities. Some measures are on-going/time-sensitive requirements and shall be implemented prior to and during construction where applicable. Restoration of disturbed areas shall occur in accordance with approved restoration plans.
- Copies of all relevant permits, compliance plans, NTP #29, and this Variance shall be available on site for the duration of construction activities where applicable.

Sincerely,

John Boccio
CPUC Environmental Project Manager

cc: V. Strong, Aspen