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September 18, 2020

Ms. Lori Charpentier
Licensing/Regulatory Affairs
Southern California Edison
2244 Walnut Grove Ave.
Rosemead, CA 91770

Re: Data Request #6 for the SCE Ivanpah-Control (I-C) Project (A.19-07-015)

Dear Ms. Charpentier:

Southern California Edison Company (SCE) submitted its Amended Permit to Construct (PTC) application and Proponent's Environmental Assessment (PEA) on April 13, 2020. The California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) Energy Division provided a PEA deficiency letter on this amended application to SCE on May 4, 2020 and SCE is currently preparing responses.

We understand that the amended PEA (submitted in April 2020) and its GIS data included slightly enlarged work areas at each structure location and pull site, as compared with the work areas defined in 2019. As a result, the completed cultural resources surveys did not include surveys for the full area required to cover the agreed-upon buffer around the larger work areas. We understand that SCE's engineering team has verbally agreed to modify the work areas back to the 2019 dimensions, but we need this fact confirmed with a revised set of GIS data. In the absence of this agreement, hundreds of new cultural resources survey areas will be required, further extending the project schedule. Please see Attachment 1 for illustration of the problem.

We request that revised GIS data be provided within 2 weeks, by October 2, 2020. Please provide a copy of the response to me and one to Susan Lee at Aspen Environmental Group, in electronic format only.

Additional data requests may be necessary to address other issues as we move forward with EIR preparation. Any questions on this data request should be directed to me at (916) 217-5073 or by email at john.forsythe@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

John E. Forsythe
Project Manager for I-C Project
Energy Division CEQA Unit

Attachment: Data Request

cc: Rosalie Barcenas, Southern California Edison
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Joan Patrovsky, Project Manager, BLM

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Susan Lee, Sandra Alarcón-Lopez, and Beth Bagwell, Aspen Environmental Group

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1. Expanded Work Areas at Each Structure Location

The pink strips shown in the map excerpt below have not been surveyed for cultural resources. The yellow areas have been surveyed. This pattern of pink strips adjacent to all structure locations and pull sites continues along the entire project length.

If SCE does not modify the GIS data and the proposed project disturbance dimensions, additional surveying will be required for all pink (unsurveyed) areas.

