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PALA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS

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CPUC/BLM c/o Aspen Environmental Group 235 Montgomery Street, Suite 935 San Francisco, California 94104

Re: Comments: Environmental Impart Report/Environmental Impact Statement and proposed Land Use Amendment, SDG&E Project No. 2006091071, DOI DES-07-58

Ladies/Gentlemen.

The Pala Band of Mission Indians Tribal Historic Preservation Office has received your notification of the project as above. This letter constitutes our response on behalf of Robert Smith, Tribal Chairman.

We have consulted our maps and have determined that the project as described is neither within the boundaries of the recognized Pala Indian Reservation, nor is it within the territory that the Tribe considers its Traditional Use Area. Portions of it are, however, situated in close proximity to the Reservation and information generated would likely be useful in better understanding the regional cultural sequence(s). Therefore, we request as a courtesy to be kept in the information loop as the project progresses and would appreciate being maintained on the receiving list for project updates, reports of investigations and/or any documentation that might be generated regarding previously reported or newly discovered sites.

Further, if the project boundaries are modified to extend beyond the currently proposed limits, we do request updated information and the opportunity to respond to your changes.

Finally, we recommend that Approved Cultural Monitors be present on site during all survey and all ground disturbing activities. If you do not have access to an Approved Cultural Resource Monitor, contact us and we will work with you to identify appropriately trained individuals.

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We appreciate involvement with your initiative and look forward to working with you on future efforts. If you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Joseph M. Nixon at 1 (760) 891 3592 or at e.mail inixon@palatribe.com.

Cordially,

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