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Comment:

SDG&E wants us to think there's only one way to solve our energy equation. The truth is that there are many sound solutions to meeting our energy needs that are less expensive, more reliable, and friendlier to the environment than a mega-project like the Sunrise Powerlink. The only drawback with these solutions: they don't earn a large profit for SDG&E.

The project's likely environmental impacts on Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and the surrounding wilderness areas are far-reaching and include significant damage to wildlife, natural habitats, cultural and historical resources. Transmission lines and towers would be visible from thousands of acres of campgrounds, hiking trails and wilderness.

Never before in California's history has a state park been opened to construction of a high-voltage transmission line, nor have State Wilderness Areas been de-designated. This sets a terrible precedent for California and for parks nationwide.

The California Public Utilities Division of Ratepayer Advocates has deemed Sunrise Powerlink unnecessary. And, although SDG&E has claimed the line will carry renewable energy, they recently admitted there is no guarantee. California needs clean, renewable energy solutions. Sunrise Powerlink is not the answer.