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Subject: Updates to Notice to Proceed #2 South Bay Substation

On April 29, 2010, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) granted authorization under Notice to Proceed (NTP) #2 to San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) to commence with construction upgrades at the existing South Bay Substation located in Chula Vista, California in San Diego County as part of the Sunrise Powerlink Project.

Based on information provided by SDG&E on July 29th, the following updates have been made to NTP #2:

Cultural Resources. In compliance with Mitigation Measure C-1a, the South Bay Substation Upgrade, Inventory of Cultural Resources report was submitted to the CPUC and BLM on April 7, 2010. The survey results determined that there are no archaeological resources within any of the areas that may be affected by the South Bay Substation upgrade work. The Sunrise Project Historic Properties Management Plan (HPMP) was approved July 2010. The conditions of the HPMP shall be implemented during construction. The South Bay Substation Upgrade, Paleontological Resources letter report was submitted to the CPUC and BLM (as the federal lead agency responsible for Section 106 compliance) on March 26, 2010. SDG&E submits that qualified cultural, paleontological and Native American monitors will be on site during any ground disturbing activity.

Paleontological Resources. In compliance with Mitigation Measure PAL-1a, a letter report from the San Diego Natural History Museum was submitted to the CPUC on March 25, 2010. The Final Paleontological Monitoring and Treatment Plan was approved in July 2010 and its conditions shall be implemented during construction. On April 21, 2010, the CPUC cultural resources consultant reviewed the NTP submittals and provided the following input:

"There is a high potential to encounter paleontological resources at the South Bay Substation site. Therefore, to mitigate any potential negative impacts to buried paleontological resources, SDG&E shall ensure that a qualified paleontological monitor is on site during excavations for foundation installation and trenching for control and power conduits to monitor for unearthed fossil remains. In the event that a paleontological discovery is made during site development, all earthwork must cease in the area of discovery until a recovery plan is prepared, reviewed, and approved by CPUC."

Conditions of NTP Approval

The following condition has been deleted.

As proposed, cultural and Native American monitors will be on site during any ground disturbing activity. If unanticipated cultural resources are identified, all construction work in the vicinity of the discovery will halt and the area will be established as a protected area while a Discovery/Treatment Plan is developed, reviewed and approved by BLM.

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