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Ms. Kirstie Reynolds Environmental Compliance Lead San Diego Gas and Electric Company 1010 Tavern Road Alpine CA, 91901

> Subject: Minor Project Refinement Request (MPRR) #20—Refinements for Circuit (C)157 -- Cleveland National Forest Power Line Replacement Projects (Application No. 12-10-009)

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

On July 31, 2018, and as revised on August 23, 2018, San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) submitted Minor Project Refinement Request (MPRR) #20 to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), requesting the following project refinements be approved for Circuit (C) 157:

- addition of 27 temporary access/entry/turnaround work areas to provide safe access, vehicle turnaround, and parking;
- conversion of approximately 0.35 mile of a navigation access road to a construction-only access road (vegetation clearing and minor grading may occur); and
- addition of one temporary pole work area at Pole P258090 and reconfiguration/enlargement of two approved temporary pole work areas at Poles P258098 and P258105.

The CPUC voted on May 26, 2016 to approve the Cleveland National Forest Power Line Replacement Projects (Decision 16-05-038) and a Notice of Determination was submitted to the State Clearinghouse (SCH#2013091070).

The Commission decision approving the Permit to Construct (PTC) authorizes Energy Division staff to approve requests by SDG&E for minor project refinements. The decision states that minor project refinements that may be necessary due to final engineering of the project may be approved so long as such minor project refinements are located within the geographic boundary of the study area of the Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) and do not, without mitigation, result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously identified significant impact based on the criteria used in the EIR/EIS; conflict with any mitigation measure or applicable law or policy; or trigger an additional permit requirement.

This letter documents the CPUC's thorough evaluation of all activities covered in MPRR #20 and that the changes requested in MPRR #20 are allowed pursuant to the Commission decision issuing the PTC. In accordance with the Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program, MPRR #20 was

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reviewed by CPUC to confirm that no new impacts or increase in impact severity would result from the requested activities.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or need additional information, please contact me at 415.703.1966 or lisa.orsaba@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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