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Subject: Notice to Proceed (NTP) 11– Master Special Use Permit and Permit to Construct Power Line Replacement Projects – Geotechnical Activities for Transmission Line (TL) 629C (Application No. 12-10-009)

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) has requested authorization from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to commence geotechnical activities associated with Transmission Line (TL) 629C as described in the SDG&E NTP Request #11 dated December 11, 2017.

The Power Line Replacement Projects were evaluated in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and a Permit to Construct (PTC) was issued by the CPUC on June 2, 2016 (Decision D. 16-05-038, dated May 26, 2016). **NTP 11 is granted by CPUC for proposed construction activities based on the following factors:**

• The Final EIR prepared for the Power Line Replacement Projects defined required mitigation measures to be implemented prior to project construction. The relevant mitigation measures for construction activities under this Notice to Proceed are summarized in *Attachment A* and shall be implemented by SDG&E and its designated contractor. SDG&E's compliance with the pre-construction component for each measure is noted in the status table.

The conditions noted below shall be met by SDG&E and its contractors:

- MM CUL-1: SDG&E shall implement all avoidance recommendations provided in the ASM Affiliates' letter report titled: "Archaeological Survey and Review for the San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) Cleveland National Forest (CNF) Powerline Replacement Projects, Notice to Proceed #11, San Diego County, California (ASM Project #26400.01)" dated December 12, 2017.
- MM BIO-20 (Nesting Bird Management Plan): SDG&E shall not work within a 1 mile buffer of an active bald or golden eagle nest during the breeding season (December 15 through July 31) unless authorization is provided by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), and United States Forest Service (USFS), if the nest is located on USFS administered land.

Ms. Kirstie Reynolds January 24, 2018

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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ATTACHMENT A

Mitigation Measures