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memorandum

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subject CPUC Approval for SDG&E Rancho Carmel Transmission Nighttime Noise and Nuisance Reduction Plan

On April 1, 2021, San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) submitted a revised Nighttime Noise and Nuisance Reduction Plan (Plan) for the Rancho Carmel transmission portion of the Artesian Substation Project (Project) for CPUC review. The proposed construction is comprised of transfer of wire from an existing pole to a new engineered cable pole and removal of the existing (old) pole from service at the Rancho Carmel Substation on Camino Del Norte in the City of San Diego. As nighttime noise may be required for this construction, the Plan was submitted for CPUC review in accordance with Mitigation Measures (MMs) NV-1, NV-2, and NV-5 described in the Final Artesian Substation IS/MND prepared for the Project (published March 2019).

CPUC and ESA reviewed and provided feedback on the Plan and responded to SDG&E with clarification questions via email. SDG&E provided responses to all of the requested clarifications in the revised Plan. The Plan includes a figure showing the location for the proposed nighttime construction activity (Appendix A); construction noise permits (variance approval) from the City of San Diego (Appendix B); and residential notification letter and outreach mailing list with a 600-foot buffer to the work activity (Appendix C).

The Plan includes details for nuisance reduction measures and resident notification, consistent with requirements described in MMs NV-1, NV-2, and NV-5. On behalf of the CPUC, ESA finds the information in the revised Plan to be sufficiently complete and consistent with the applicable mitigation measures; therefore, the Nighttime Noise Plan is approved by CPUC.

Maria Hensel, ESA Compliance Manager.