

July 23, 2009

Mr. Jensen Uchida

San Joaquin cross valley loop transmission project

c/o Environmental science associates

225 Bush Street, Suite 1700

San Francisco, Ca 94107-4207

Mr. Uchida;

My husband & I are not politicians, or big company CEO's; we are real people in a real simple part of the world, no triple lane freeway, no high risers, not even a street light along our driveways. We are not country bumpkins, or back woods creatures. We just enjoy our community as it is. And hold a concern that the future for our children, & grandchildren in our part of the world is in jeopardy.

My husband & I, and our two children moved to the beautiful view & peaceful atmosphere that is our "dream home" over twenty years ago. It was; and still is a place that is comfortable, quiet, and safe. We raised our children here and now both of our children & their families now own acreage & reside in this very area. It's a small; rolling hills, some citrus groves & beef cattle, grazing in the pastures. Most of us have jobs in the neighboring towns. Our commute is approximately 30 minuets one way, and we love it! When the work day is done we can't wait to slip back into our comfy homes. In any direction there are relaxing & majestic views. Ours, along with both of our children's properties will be affected by the addition of the San Joaquin cross valley loop transmission line.

Power for the Elderwood community is supplied by pacific gas & electric. I do not understand why we are even having to deal with this issue considering that fact. It is my understanding that we will not; nor will we ever benefit by this project at all. In fact, the addition of these lines will only drop our property values **considerably**, as well as pose possible dangers, and future health issues; not to mention "ruin" our local majestic views. We live in the country because we chose to do so, away from the hussle & bussle of the city life.

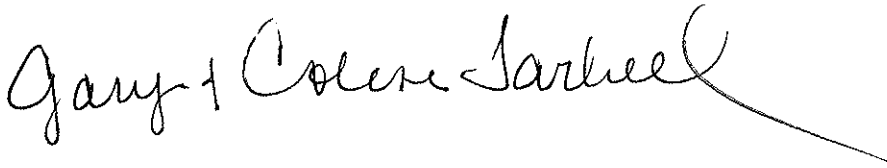
I have been unable to get a connection with the internet address that was provided, due to "technical problems"; or so that is the message I receive.

In our opinion **route 3** is the best alternative. As we understand , it uses more of existing right of way, and this meets the Garamendi principles in sb2431. There is "less" damage to intensive agriculture-permanent crops, wells, drive rows, etc.. **Route 3** also has the very old rector line & is low, noisy & dangerous. The new line greatly reduces EMF emissions. As for the Stone Corral Ecological Preserve location, the line can easily be circumvented by moving it just slightly. **Routes 1, 2 & 6** seem to have more negative environmental impacts to agriculture, communities and people.

I certainly hope that the decision to place the line is settled with sincere consideration to the affected families & ranchers in the area. We have all worked so hard for what we have, and many of us plan to pass our land on to the generations to follow.

Thank you in advance for your wise decision to save our local communities. Should you have questions, feel free to contact us.

Sincerely;

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary & Colene Tarbell". The signature is written in a cursive style and extends to the right with a long, thin horizontal line.

Gary & Colene Tarbell

37050 Road 192

Elderwood, Ca 93286

559-564-3941

Our children: Justin & Janette Tarbell & Fam 19260 Avenue 370 Elderwood
 Robert & Tamara-Tarbell -Lea & Fam 37327 Millwood Elderwood