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May 22, 2018 VIA MAIL AND EMAIL

Mr. Tim Lyons Regulatory Case Manager II San Diego Gas & Electric Company 8315 Century Park Court San Diego, CA 92123

SUBJECT: Data Request #2 for the SDG&E San Marcos to Escondido TL6975 69kV Project

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Dear Mr. Lyons:

As the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) proceeds with our environmental review of San Diego Gas & Electric Company's (SDG&E)'s San Marcos to Escondido TL6975 69kV Project (proposed Project), we have identified additional information required in order to adequately address the needs and questions of the tribes consulted to date in the Assembly Bill (AB) 52 process.

The CPUC requests SDG&E provide the information below (Data Request #2) by June 1, but no later than June 8, 2018.

The Energy Division may request additional data, as necessary, to prepare a complete and adequate analysis of the potential environmental effects of the Project in accordance with the requirements of CEOA.

Please contact Mike Vader of ESA directly with any questions on this request: (707) 719-4195 or mvader@esassoc.com. Please also copy me and Dave Davis at ESA on correspondence (except in cases which confidentiality of cultural resource information must be maintained).

I will be out of the office until June 5, 2018. ESA cultural specialists can answer any questions you may have while I am away.

Sincerely,

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Lisa Orsaba Project Manager

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cc: Lonn Maier, Supervisor, CPUC

David D. Davis, AICP, Project Manager, ESA

Michael Manka, Project Director, ESA

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Robert Fletcher, Project Manager, SDG&E

Attachment:

1) Data Request #2

Data Request #2 SDG&E San Marcos to Escondido TL6975 69kV Project

- 1. Based on a Tribe's request to better understand the distribution/type of ground disturbance anticipated, please provide detailed project plans depicting where ground disturbing activities will occur, and the extent and type of ground disturbance that will occur (i.e. grubbing, trenching, grading, pole removal).
- 2. Based on a Tribe's request to better understand the specifics surrounding the construction work near San Marcos High School, please provide a detailed construction scenario for the ground disturbing activities in the portion of the ROW overlapping the northeastern corner of the high school, such as how the area will be accessed and the types of equipment to be used.
- 3. A Tribe has indicated knowledge of archaeological resources in the project vicinity that are not reflected in the records search materials. The original records search was conducted in 2015 and supplemental records searches were conducted in 2017. Please clarify whether the supplemental records searches (2017) included the entirety of the project area, or just involved updating portions of the project area.
- 4. A Tribe has requested interest in potentially meeting with SDG&E's project engineer to discuss construction in the vicinity of archaeological resources. We expect such a meeting would take place within the next 1-2 months. Could SDG&E be available for such a meeting?

From: Lyons, Timothy P

Sent: Friday, June 1, 2018 4:36 PM

To: <u>Dave Davis</u>

Cc: Orsaba, Lisa; Alexandra Sung-Jereczek; Michael

Manka; Michael Vader; Monica Strauss; Fletcher Jr.,

Robert

Subject: RE: TL 6975 San Marcos-to-Escondido CEQA Analysis:

Data Request #2

Attachments: SDGE TL 6975 Data Request 2 Responses 060118.pdf

Dave-

Please find attached our response to Data Request #2.

Thank you,

Tim Lyons

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] TL 6975 San Marcos-to-Escondido CEQA Analysis: Data Request #2

Good Afternoon Tim -

On behalf of the CPUC, we are sending along the attached Data Request #2.

We hope this finds you all doing well.

Thanks, DDD

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SDG&E TL 6975 San Marcos to Escondido Project (A.17-11-010) Data Request #2

REPORT OVERVIEW

On March 16, 2018, the CPUC deemed the application and PEA for the TL 6975 San Marcos to Escondido Project (A.17-11-010) complete. The Energy Division has requested additional data to prepare a complete and adequate analysis of the potential environmental effects of the Project, in accordance with the requirements of CEQA.

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	Based on a Tribe's request to better understand the distribution/type of ground disturbance anticipated, please provide detailed project plans depicting where ground disturbing activities will occur, and the extent and type of ground disturbance that will occur (i.e. grubbing, trenching, grading, pole removal).	Please refer to Section 3.7, Construction, of the Project Description of the Proponent's Environmental Assessment for the TL 6975 San Marcos to Escondido Project (Proposed Project) for information regarding the proposed work areas associated with the Proposed Project.
1		At this time, detailed project plans depicting the extent and type of ground disturbance anticipated at each work site have not yet been prepared. These detailed project plans will be prepared closer to the construction start date upon the CPUC's approval and decision regarding which project will be ultimately built. SDG&E is willing to meet in the field to discuss the work areas and the type and extent of ground disturbance that may occur at these areas.
2	Based on a Tribe's request to better understand the specifics surrounding the construction work near San Marcos High School, please provide a detailed construction scenario for the ground disturbing activities in the portion of the ROW overlapping the northeastern corner of the high school, such as how the area will be accessed and the types of equipment to be used.	Please refer to response #1 above. Per Section 3.5.1.1, Segment 1 Rebuild of the PEA Project Description, work near San Marcos High School includes rebuild of an existing 69 kV circuit (TL 680C) from a single-circuit structure line into a double-circuit structure line, supporting both the existing TL 680C and proposed TL 6975. All wood structures would be replaced with steel poles, all porcelain insulators would be replaced with polymer insulators, and TL 680C would be reconductored with 636 ACSR/AW. For the proposed TL 6975, 636 ACSS/AW would be strung. The line would be rebuilt from San Marcos Substation, along San Marcos Boulevard in front of San Marcos High School. The existing distribution underbuild would be reconductored. A portion of the existing line that has two 12 kV circuits on one level would be changed to two separate levels. The existing SDG&E and third-party communication lines underbuilt in Segment 1 would be transferred to the new structures. There are existing

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		cable poles along this line. Based on new pole positions, some trenching would be required to intercept existing underground conduit and reroute the conduit to the new pole. Trenching activities would typically be performed within a 10- to 30-foot radius of the poles. Table 3-11 includes a list of the types of Anticipated Construction Equipment that would be used for construction of the Proposed Project.
3	A Tribe has indicated knowledge of archaeological resources in the project vicinity that are not reflected in the records search materials. The original records search was conducted in 2015 and supplemental records searches were conducted in 2017. Please clarify whether the supplemental records searches (2017) included the entirety of the project area, or just involved updating portions of the project area.	The supplemental records search conducted in 2017 was for the entire Proposed Project area. If the Tribe has knowledge of cultural resources that have not been submitted to the SCIC and the Tribe would consent to sharing this information, SDG&E will incorporate this information into the Proposed Project analysis.
4	A Tribe has requested interest in potentially meeting with SDG&E's project engineer to discuss construction in the vicinity of archaeological resources. We expect such a meeting would take place within the next 1-2 months. Could SDG&E be available for such a meeting?	The SDG&E Project Engineer for the Proposed Project is available for a meeting with the Tribe as requested.