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SEE ATTACHED DISTRIBUTION LIST**CPUC File No.: EA2008-25****SUBJECT:** Electric Audit of SDG&E's Beach Cities District

On behalf of the Utilities Safety and Reliability Branch of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), I conducted an electric audit of SDG&E's Beach Cities District on December 8-10, 2008. The audit included a review of your records for the period of 2007 – 2008, and a field inspection of overhead and underground facilities.

During the audit, I found that SDG&E did not document all General Order (GO) 95 violations at the time of its inspections. Attached to this letter is a list of these violations.

Please advise me within 30 days of corrective measures taken by SDG&E regarding the above violations. If you have any questions, please contact me at (213) 576-7099.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan Yamamoto".

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Enclosure: Distribution List
Audit Violations

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List of GO 95 violations that were observed during the field portion of the electric audit of SDG&E's Beach Cities District and were not documented in the inspection records.

GO 95, Rule 51.6A, High Voltage Marking

Rule 51.6A states:

“Poles which support line conductors of more than 750 volts shall be marked with high voltage signs. This marking shall consist of a single sign showing the words “HIGH VOLTAGE”, or pair of signs showing the words “HIGH” and “VOLTAGE”, not more than six (6) inches in height with letters not less than 3 inches in height. A pair of signs may be stacked to a height of no more than 12 inches. Such signs shall be of weather and corrosion-resisting material, solid or with letters cut out therefrom and clearly legible.”

- Pole number 931747 had a high voltage sign missing.

GO 95, Rule 54.6B, Ground Wires

Rule 54.6B states:

“That portion of the ground wires attached on the face or back of wood crossarms or on the surface of wood poles and structures shall be covered by a suitable protective covering (see Rule 22.8)”

- Pole number 931747 had the ground molding missing/damaged.

GO 95, Rule 54.8C(4), From Communication Service Drops

Rule 54.8C(4) states:

“The radial clearance between supply service drop conductors and communication service drop conductors may be less than 48 inches as specified in Table 2, Column C, Cases 4 and 9; Column D, Cases 3 and 8, but shall be not less than 24 inches. Where within 15 feet of the point of attachment of either service drop on a building, this clearance may be further reduced but shall be not less than 12 inches.”

- Pole number 931704 had a service drop conductor and communication service drop conductor in contact with each other.

Electric Audit Distribution List
(Beach Cities, December 8-10, 2008)

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