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Mr. Jim Wilson, Electric Superintendent
Truckee Donner Public Utility District
11570 Donner Pass Road
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Truckee, CA 96160

CPUC File No. EA2009-20

SUBJECT: General Order 95, 128, and 165 Audit of Truckee Donner Public Utility District

Dear Mr. Wilson,

On behalf of the Utility Safety and Reliability Branch of the California Public Utilities Commission, Ryan Yamamoto and I conducted General Order 95, 128, and 165 Inspections of Truckee Donner Public Utility District (TDPUD) from September 24-25, 2009.

During the inspection, we identified violations of one or more General Orders. A copy of the audit summary itemizing the violations is enclosed. By August 6, 2010, please advise me of all corrective measures planned or taken by TDPUD regarding the violation(s) and the date on which they are to be corrected or were corrected.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 928-5875.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in red ink, appearing to read "Ivan Garcia".

Ivan Garcia
Utilities Engineer
Utilities Safety and Reliability Branch
Consumer Protection and Safety Division

Enclosure: Inspection Summary

Inspection Summary

I. General Order (GO) 165, Inspection Cycles for Electric Distribution Facilities

A. Paragraph IV (1st sub-paragraph) states:

"Each utility subject to this General Order shall conduct inspections of its distribution facilities as necessary to assure reliable, high quality, and safe operation, but in no case may the period between inspections (measured in years) exceed the time specified in the attached table. Appendix A."

TDPUD does not have a formal inspection program that complies with the GO165 inspection requirements. No records were furnished during the audit that demonstrated compliance with inspection cycles required by GO 165.

B. Paragraph IV (5th sub-paragraph) states:

"For all inspections, within a reasonable period, company records shall specify the circuit, area, or equipment inspected, the name of the inspector, the date of the inspection, and any problems identified during each inspection, as well as the scheduled date of corrective action. ..."

The TDPUD inspection program does not identify all GO 95 and 128 violations of its electric facilities.