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Donald Johnson  
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Rosemead, C 911770RE: SCE Antelope-Pardee 500 kV Transmission Project, Segment 1, Section 2 National Forest System  
Lands - Notice to Proceed (NTP #15)

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Notice to Proceed (NTP) #15 is for Phase 2 of the 66-kV conductor removal, known as Saugus-Del Sur, from National Forest Service lands from Tower 16-2 through Tower 20-2 in Section 2, Segment 1 of the SCE Antelope-Pardee 500 kV Transmission Project.

The SCE Antelope-Pardee 500 kV Transmission Project was evaluated in accordance with CEQA/NEPA and a Certification of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) was granted by CPUC Docket #A.04-12-007, SCH #2005061161 on March 1, 2007. The Forest Service is the federal Lead Agency for the preparation of the Project's EIR/EIS in compliance with NEPA. The proposed construction location does occur in Forest Service land; thus, the Forest Service has issued Amendment #2 to the Special Use Permit (SUP) that authorizes SCE to remove the 66-kV conductor, known as Saugus-Del Sur, from National Forest System lands and SCE can proceed with the implementation of Phase 2 of the 66-kV conductor removal. **NTP #15 is granted by CPUC for the proposed activities based on the following factors:**

- On July 14, 2008, the Forest Service issued a fully executed copy of the SUP that authorizes SCE to remove the 66-kV conductor, known as the Saugus-Del Sur, from National Forest System lands; however, at that time the SUP prohibited commencement of Phase II. The Forest Service has now issued Amendment #2 to the SUP so that SCE can proceed with the implementation of Phase 2 of the 66-kV conductor removal.
- The SUP is required for the removal and transport of copper conductor from the authorized area on the existing 66-kV line, known as Saugus-Del Sur. This authorization is occurring separate from the full demolition of this transmission line due to recent robberies of the conductor, from this line, on National Forest System lands.
- A Wire Removal Plan and a Fire Plan with variance were made a part of the SUP.

**The conditions noted below shall be met by SCE and its contractors:**

- All Forest Service SUP conditions shall be implemented during conductor removal activities.
- Copies of all relevant permits, compliance plans, and this Notice to Proceed shall be available on site for the duration of construction activities.

- Prior to the commencement of conductor removal activities, all crew personnel including truck drivers shall be appropriately WEAP trained on environmental issues. A log shall be maintained on-site with the names of all crew personnel trained.
- No movement or staging of construction vehicles or equipment shall be allowed outside of the approved areas.
- If construction debris or spills enter into environmentally sensitive areas, the jurisdictional agencies and CPUC EM shall be notified immediately.

Sincerely,

John Boccio  
CPUC Environmental Project Manager

cc: V. Strong, Aspen