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RE: SCE Antelope-Pardee 500 kV Transmission Project, Segment 1 – Variance Request #3

Dear Mr. Johnson,

On April 23 and 24, 2008, Southern Californian Edison (SCE) requested a variance to APM NOI-1 and APM NOI-2 to allow extended weekend work hours along the Shoofly portion of Section 1, Segment 1, within the City of Santa Clarita and Los Angeles County, and at the Antelope Substation, Avenue J, in the City of Lancaster. **This Variance Request is approved by CPUC for the proposed activities based on the following factors:**

- Per the request in regard to the Shoofly work:
  1. In order to start construction on Segment 1, the existing line will need to be transferred to the Shoofly structures. To take full advantage of the outage to the Santa Clara-Vincent line scheduled for April 21, PAR is requesting authorization to work an extra hour on Saturday April 26, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 pm and, if needed, work on Sunday, April 27, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 pm, and Sunday May 4, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 pm.
  2. Aside from Mountainview Park, there are no sensitive receptors (hospitals, churches, nursing homes, schools, or parks) within 1,000 feet of the Shoo-Fly. Grace Baptist Church is 2,200 feet away, Chesebrough Park is over 4,200 feet away, and Mountainview Elementary School is 1,300 feet away.
  3. The City of Santa Clarita approved the extended work hours, which was documented in an e-mail from Ken Striplin dated April, 23, 2008. LA County approved the extended work hours April 24, a copy of which was sent to the CPUC.
- Per the request in regard to the Antelope, Avenue J work:
  1. SCE requested a variance to the Noise Ordinance in the City of Lancaster so that work can occur 7 days per week, 12 hrs per day, beginning Wednesday, April 23, continuously through May 15, 2008. The area of work is within 300 ft of the Antelope Substation perimeter fence on the south east, and west sides of the substation, located south of Ave J, between 90th and 110th Streets.
  2. Due to the delay in obtaining the needed property, work that was originally planned to start in December 2007 is just now beginning. This element of work is crucial in meeting the schedule for SCE's Tehachapi Renewables Transmission Project. The relocation work is up against a hard deadline of May 15 to complete. Several line outages will be required to complete the work which needs to be scheduled in advance with the California ISO. If delayed past May 15 SCE would have to curtail wind energy in order to get the outages that must be avoided. Otherwise, it

would likely be this fall before SCE would be able to schedule the outages, which would cause a delay of several months in completing the substation work and would impact the entire project schedule.

3. Work will entail the relocation of six 66 kilovolt (kV) lines approximately 80 ft. to the south of their current locations. Installation of new wood poles and conductors (wires) for the relocated lines, then removal of existing poles and conductors. The relocation will make room for the planned Antelope Substation expansion as part of SCE's Tehachapi Renewables Transmission Project.
4. There is one residence, at 9359 W. Avenue J, Lancaster, CA 93536, whose property line is just over 500' from the substation fence line.
5. The City of Lancaster, Carlyle Workman approved the extended work hour request via e-mail on April 23. Within the approval specific conditions were outlined:

*“As described, the proposed SCE work between 6:00 am and 6:00 pm, seven days a week would be allowed by the City of Lancaster under the following conditions:*

- 1. All residents in the vicinity of the work have been notified of the weekend work and have concurred with the proposed work hours.*
  - 2. No work will be conducted within 500 feet of occupied residences during night time or weekend hours.*
  - 3. SCE shall notify the City and nearby residents of any changes to the proposed work hours prior to the altered schedule being implemented. This requirement would apply if work is proposed later than 6:00 pm.*
- This permission constitutes a waiver in accordance with the City's Noise Ordinance for this specific work period and project only, and should not be construed as permission to exceed normal working hours for any other projects.”*

- The proposed work will occur along previously surveyed and approved work areas, thus no additional biological or cultural resource information is required.

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

- Prior to the extended weekend work in the City of Lancaster, SCE shall submit to the CPUC all notifications and documentation of concurrence by the residences in the vicinity of the work (within 500 ft).
- All project mitigation measures, compliance plans, and permit conditions shall be implemented during construction activities.
- Copies of all relevant permits, compliance plans, and this Variance shall be available on site for the duration of construction activities where applicable.

Sincerely,

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