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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT REPORT FOR THE COLORADO RIVER SUBSTATION EXPANSION
DEVERS-PALO VERDE NO.2 TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT, (SCH#2005101104),
RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Dear Ms. Blanchard:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has received your submitted Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the above-mentioned project. The following project description is stated in your document: "The Colorado River Substation would be located on an approximately 160-acre parcel of land located approximately 1.5 miles south of Interstate 10 and 4.75 miles east of Wiley Well Road, in the County of Riverside, California. The Colorado River Substation site, including the proposed expansion, would be located on public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) that would be granted to Southern California Edison (SCE) for this use. There are no nearby residences. The expansion of the Colorado River Substation is required in order to allow interconnection generation from the Blythe and Genesis solar facilities. These facilities are approved and under construction. SCE has proposed a number of refinements to the DPV2 project as approved. The expanded substation would be approximately 1,530 feet by 2,200 feet surrounded by an 8-foot-high wall with barbed wire and razor wire and two gates".

Based on the review of the submitted document DTSC has the following comments:

- 1) DTSC provided comments on the project Notice of Preparation (NOP) on October 26, 2010; some of those comments have been addressed in the submitted draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report. Please ensure that all those comments will be addressed in the final EIR.

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- 2) DTSC can provide cleanup oversight through an Environmental Oversight Agreement (EOA) for government agencies that are not responsible parties, or a Voluntary Cleanup Agreement (VCA) for private parties. For additional information on the EOA or VCA, please see www.dtsc.ca.gov/SiteCleanup/Brownfields, or contact Ms. Maryam Tasnif-Abbasi, DTSC's Voluntary Cleanup Coordinator, at (714) 484-5489.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Rafiq Ahmed, Project Manager, at rahmed@dtsc.ca.gov, or by phone at (714) 484-5491.

Sincerely,



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