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To: Calif. Public Utilities Commission

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First, I would like to thank the CPUC for holding this meeting here in the Campo area and I will make a few simple points about the Sunrise Power Link Project.

- I, and many in the area, support the CPUC's EIR top choice of "New In-Area All Source Generation as the #1 Alternative".
- In addition to in basin photo-voltaic arrays, roof-top micro wind turbines should be given serious consideration as low profile conversion units that could be integrated into the design of new green buildings and retro-fitted buildings.
- SDG&E can meet and exceed it's 20% renewable energy requirement locally without putting billions of dollars into a long string of towers.
- SDG&E makes decisions mostly based on future profit potential. The CPUC should provide decisions and guidelines that produce financial incentive that encourages SDG&E to adopt Alternative #1 and become a model organization that takes them and us toward a more self-reliant, energy conservative, forward thinking, smart electrical distribution network owner and power generator.
- The CPUC recently approved Docket #: Res E-4137 that allows "feed-in tariffs" for small generating facilities. However, while this applies to several Southern Calif. utilities, this does not seem to apply to SDG&E for electricity yet. This is an excellent tool to encourage many homeowners, small businesses and large building complexes to build a wide variety of renewable energy generation sources that would be widely distributed over the San Diego County area.
- With enough "in basin" generation of power, there could be capacity "freed-up" on the existing South West Power Link to bring in peak power when needed.
- The "San Diego Smart Energy 2020" report by Bill Powers is an excellent compilation of important information which supports the CPUC's EIR #1 choice and the State of California Legislation such as; AB 32, AB 1969, AB 1, 2008 Update Energy Action Plan and other significant forward looking legislative law.
- We have extensive access to the EIR but limited knowledge of the analysis for need, cost and reliability. These will be key parameters that you use when making your decision and choice among the options offered in the EIR. Choice #1 in the EIR is the best overall long-term choice for the people, the State and SDG&E. California can set an example for the rest of the world.

**SANDAG MEETING**  
April 11, 2008

Comments on the Sunrise Power Link and associated issues:

Good Morning/Afternoon

I am Larry Johnson and I live at 1259 Dewey Pl., Campo, CA 91906

I would like to make a few key comments about your deliberation and vote here today.

The CPUC in their DEIR arrived at a very good #1 choice for the proposed SDG&E project and that choice is the “New In-Area All Source Generation Alternative” and NO North or South route for the 150 mile string of towers.

SANDAG has a very impressive “Regional Energy Strategy 2030” plan.

The CPUC’s #1 choice and SANDAG’s RES are in almost total agreement.

They both support the States’s Million Solar Roofs initiative, SB1.

They mesh nicely with the Bill Powers’s “San Diego Smart Energy 2020” plan.

The City of Cambridge, Massachusetts and many supporting organizations have formed a non-profit organization called the “Cambridge Energy Alliance” that was recently high-lighted on PBS and the NOW program. It is a very aggressive joint effort to increase efficiency and renewable energy in their area. It could be a great demonstration project and example of what can be done when you have the daring and foresight to move past your doubts.

The San Diego area is one of the best area’s in the US, it has had the reputation as “America’s Finest City”. SANDAG can help demonstrate that it truly is a fine city by moving into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century with vision, planning and support of your own Regional Energy Strategy and the CPUC’s #1 choice of the “New In-Area All Source Generation Alternative”.

Thank you for your time.