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Dear Aspen staff;

On page 2-5 of the recirculated Draft EIR/EIS, the following statement is made:

The RWEP is being evaluated in the Sunrise Powerlink Project EIR/EIS because of the agreement that

was signed between Sempra Generation and SCE in which Sempra Generation has agreed to sell SCE

up to 250 MW of power from the La Rumorosa wind power facility under development (Sempra, 2007).

From this statement, am I to understand that the RWEP would not be evaluated if Sempra did not plan to sell a portion of the energy to SCE? In other words, if all of the 1250 MW were reserved for SDG&E customers, then the RWEP would not be evaluated? Please help me understand what difference it makes in the RWEP evaluation that some of the energy will be sold to SCE.

I would also like to understand what the Commission knows about provisions (if any) that are being made by SCE to transmit the 250 MW that they are purchasing from the RWEP. I do not see where this is addressed in the recirculated document. To my knowledge, SCE has no transmission infrastructure anywhere near the point at which the energy will enter the U.S. Does SCE plan to construct transmission infrastructure to use the power? Or does the Commission assume that the power purchased by SCE will be transmitted along with all the other power generated by La Rumarosa to wherever Sempra intends it to go? As it is described in the recirculated Draft EIR/EIS, SCE's plan to purchase 250 MW of power seems rather pointless, so it appears that the description is incomplete. Please provide me with the information I need to understand why the Commission considers this transaction to be so important (as the above excerpt from the recirculated document suggests).

Thank you and have a good weekend.

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I would also like to get a copy of any documentation or evidence that the PUC has of an agreement between SCE and SDG&E on this agreement to sell RWEP power to SCE. I have accessed the link included in the recirculated EIR (http://public.sempra.com/newsreleases/viewPR.cfm?PR_ID=2183&Co_Short_Nm=SE). Is this the only source of information upon which the Commission is relying in the DEIR discussion of this topic?