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Dear Ms. Billie Blanchard:

Subject: *Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report/Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement, San Diego Gas & Electric Company Application for the Sunrise Powerlink Project, SCH #2006091071, DOI Control No. DES-07-58, July 2008 (Recirculated Draft EIR/EIS)*

In the July 2008 Recirculated Draft EIR/EIS, Appendix 2, April 11, 2008 Sempra Energy letter, page 5, second paragraph, the third sentence, says that the West Main Canal-Huff Road Modification Alternative segment avoids direct impacts to Bull Frog Farms dairy structures and to the Raceway development. SDG&E Enhanced Northern Route and Environmentally Superior Northern Alternative Route in the Recirculated Draft EIR/EIS are routed through existing Imperial County dairy property along the segment, West Main Canal-Huff Road Modification Alternative.

See attached WMC_03 Map (SDGE and Sempra Energy Utility) with current structure locations labeled along that route segment. Labeled current structures include nine residential structures, calf operational facilities, several calf facilities, feed mill facilities, cattle facilities, and boundary for Desert Springs Resort Specific Plan. The Desert Springs Resort Specific Plan is located northwest of Boley Road and Westmorland Road intersection adjacent to the Westside Main Canal and includes 411 water sports vacation home lots, 792 RV lots, 22 larger water sports vacation home lots, 100 garage villa lots, and 150 vacation villa lots.

Direct impacts to structures along the West Main Canal-Huff Road Modification Alternative segment are not adequately accounted for in SDG&E's route planning, but are relevant to your impact analysis. The July 2008 Recirculated Draft EIR/EIS and January 2008 *Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement and Proposed Land Use Amendment, San Diego Gas & Electric Company Application for the Sunrise Powerlink Project, SCH #2006091071, DOI Control No. DES-07-58* does not include direct impacts to these structures.

There are additional farming facilities, livestock facilities, feedlots, dairy, and residences located along other route segment maps, from the Imperial Valley Substation to mile post 17 near Huff Road and Wheeler Road intersection, that do not show clearly on the maps. I request that you look into these blurred map spots to find out why Imperial County maps do not clearly show existing facilities and residences.

Thank you for the opportunity to share and express issues of concern that negatively impact Imperial County's: (1) economy, (2) agricultural and dairy industries, and (3) residents due to the proposed 500kV transmission line's SDG&E Enhanced Northern Route or Environmentally Superior Northern Alternative Route along the West Main Canal-Huff Road Modification Alternative segment in the July 2008 *Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report/Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement, San Diego Gas & Electric Company Application for the Sunrise Powerlink Project, SCH #2006091071, DOI Control No. DES-07-58*. If you have any questions, please contact me at (760) 791-0549. I invite California Public Utility Commission staffs and consultants to visit these existing facilities and residences shown as blurred map spots because SDG&E staffs already know about these existing facilities and residences. If you let me know when you make a field visit I can coordinate that information with the other owners of these facilities and residences so that they can talk to you in person about their concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeff Martin". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the left of the typed name.

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