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Dear Ms. Blanchard and Ms. Kastoll,

As an SDGE ratepayer, I protest being forced to pay for the unnecessary and ill advised Sunrise Powerlink. As a resident of Campo, I protest paying for or being subjected to the hazards and environmental destruction of the modified route D alternative for the Sunrise Powerlink. The existing Southwestern Line carries imported power through this same area and could carry any energy from green sources that may be developed in the Imperial Valley as well as wind generated power from the backcountry of San Diego County, replacing energy from fossil fuel plants if necessary. This intrusive line wanders through most of the rural communities of the backcountry and increases the risk of loss of lives and property from wild fires since these tower mounted lines make firefighting from the air problematic, if not impossible, and firefighting on the ground riskier. This route is also so close to the existing line that a fire that threatens one line will almost certainly threaten the other, cutting off all power imported through the southern part of the state. This is not a solution to any perceived shortage of power in the urbanized communities. In the face of increased risks from terrorists, fires and earthquakes it makes no sense to run all necessary power through the same corridor. The amount of money this power line would cost could put a lot of solar panels on rooftops, fund wave energy generation and pay for what is most needed, peaker plants close to where the power is needed- when it is needed. Those solutions, close to the need, would also not be subject to the enormous voltage drop (wasted energy and money) these long distance lines experience. The Sunrise Powerlink was a bad idea from the beginning and the modified route D alternative takes a bad idea and makes it worse.

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