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Subject: Notice to Proceed (NTP) 1– Master Special Use Permit and Permit to Construct Power Line Replacement Projects – Construction Activities associated with Tie Line (TL) 625B and TL 629E (Application No. 12-10-009)

Dear Mr. Houston:

San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) has requested authorization from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to commence construction activities associated with TL625B and TL629E as described in the SDG&E NTP Request #1 dated July 25, 2016, and as revised September 1, 2016.

The Power Line Replacement Projects were evaluated in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and a Permit to Construct (PTC) was issued by the CPUC on June 2, 2016 (Decision D. 16-05-038, dated May 26, 2016). **NTP 1 is granted by CPUC for proposed construction activities based on the following factors:**

- The Final EIR prepared for the Power Line Replacement Projects defined required mitigation measures to be implemented prior to project construction. The relevant mitigation measures for construction activities under this Notice to Proceed are summarized in *Attachment A* and shall be implemented by SDG&E and its designated contractor. SDG&E's compliance with the pre-construction component for each measure is noted in the status table.

The following project components are not approved at this time because refinements have been made to these components warranting further evaluation under a Minor Project Refinement Request (MPRR) consistent with the CPUC Decision D. 16-05-038, page 38, and the Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance and Reporting Program, Section 4.2.1 for the Project:

- Stringing Sites identified on TL 625B Maps 1 (easterly-most site) and 6; Stringing Sites identified on TL 629E Maps 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 12 (south of Old Highway 80).
- Staging Yards identified on TL 625B Maps 4, 10, and 12 (Sweetwater, Japatul Spur, and Merrigan); Staging Yards identified on TL 629E Map 13 (Anderson).

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- Access Road Work identified on TL 625B Map 5 (realignment of an existing access road at Pole Z272867).
- Activities identified in TL 629E Maps 9-12 associated with the relocation of the 12kV circuit and bore pits associated with the undergrounding of utilities into the Crestwood Substation.

The conditions noted below shall be met by SDG&E and its contractors:

- No work is approved on public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) until such time that SDG&E receives authorization from BLM. SDG&E shall provide this documentation to CPUC upon receipt.
- APM TRANS-05: SDG&E shall provide CPUC with the Traffic Control Plans for covered activities under NTP-1 prior to construction equipment being utilized on applicable roadways warranting Traffic Control Plans.
- MM BIO-2, MM PHS-1, APM CUL-01: Prior to construction, SDG&E shall provide all developer, contractor, and subcontractor personnel environmental awareness training.
- MM BIO-10: No work is authorized within jurisdictional waters until a final Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement is executed with California Department of Fish and Wildlife (applicable to TL629E only) and provided to CPUC.
- MM PHS-3/NOI-3: Blasting activities are not approved at this time. Should blasting activities be required, a blasting plan is required to be reviewed and approved prior to blasting.
- MM PHS-5/6: Should helicopter use occur during construction of NTP-1 activities, SDG&E shall provide documentation verifying coordination with local air traffic control prior to use of helicopters for construction.
- MM HYD-2a/2b: SDG&E shall only use water from the City of San Diego consistent with the Water Supply Plan. Should SDG&E propose to use water from an alternate source during construction, SDG&E shall submit the Water Supply Plan for review and approval prior to alternate water source being utilized.
- MM PSU-1: SDG&E shall provide, upon finalization with AT&T, the timing of the relocation activities to CPUC for review and approval prior to relocation of utilities.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or need additional information, please contact me at 415.703.1966 or lisa.orsaba@cpuc.ca.gov.

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Sincerely,



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Att: *Attachment A – Mitigation Measures*

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