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Mr. Jeffrey Durocher
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(sent via email: Jeffrey.Durocher@iberdrolausa.com)

Subject: Tule Wind Project - Data Request No. 2A

Dear Mr. Durocher:

Thank you for your response to Request No. 2. After review of this information, additional fieldwork, as well as the fact that Tule transmission Alternatives 2 and 3 being carried forward in the EIR/EIS analysis, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) requests additional information in support of the Tule Wind visual analysis for the East County Substation, Tule Wind, and Energia Sierra Juarez Gen-Tie Projects EIR/EIS. Please provide requested information in Attachment A regarding additional visual simulations. We would appreciate your response to this data request no later than April 30, 2010.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or need additional information, please contact me at 415.355.5580 or aei@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Visual Resources

- 1. Based on our recent fieldwork, we request two simulations for completion of the EIR/EIS analysis, including:
 - a. simulation of the proposed Tule Wind Project from Ribbonwood Road, north of Interstate 8. The residences along Ribbonwood Road would see the Tule Wind Turbines, the 138kV line, and potentially the collector substation.
 - b. A simulation of the Tule alternative for the 138kV line (HDR Alternative Transmission Line III) is also requested as this alternative would likely require new right-of-way that may result in significant and unmitigable impacts due to removal of oak trees and possibly residences.