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Sent via email to: JKaminsky@semprautilities.com

RE: South Orange County Reliability Enhancement (SOCRE) Project – Notice to Proceed (NTP)-1 for to conduct a geotechnical investigation and hazardous materials abatement at the future San Juan Capistrano Substation

Dear Ms. Kaminsky:

San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) is requesting authorization from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to commence construction on select activities for the South Orange County Reliability Enhancement (SOCRE) Project. NTP-1 shall include a geotechnical investigation and hazardous materials abatement at the future San Juan Capistrano Substation. Construction for this NTP will be confined to the following activities:

Substation Components

- Conduct a geotechnical investigation
 - Perform percolation tests in two test pits (each pit approximately 6 feet deep and approximately 2 feet by 4 feet in diameter)
 - Test water infiltration rate
- Conduct hazardous material abatement of the former utility structure located in the lower yard
 - Remove asbestos containing material (ACM) and lead-based paint
 - ACM materials will be abated, containerized, labeled, and disposed of properly
 - Repair or replace roof of former utility structure east wing, as necessary
 - Remove surficial soil around the exterior of the former utility structure

These activities comprise limited construction activities supporting the full buildout of the proposed San Juan Capistrano Substation, further described in the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for SOCRE (Decision D.16-12-064).

NTP-1 is granted by the CPUC for the proposed construction activities based on the following understanding:

- SDG&E will comply with all Applicant Proposed Measures (APMs) and Mitigation Measures (MMs) included in the Mitigation, Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program (MMCRP) for SOCRE.

- Copies of any relevant permits, compliance plans (i.e., MMCRP, SWPPP, etc.), and this Notice to Proceed shall be available on-site for the duration of construction activities. Copies of permits shall be provided to the CPUC upon request.
- Preconstruction clearance surveys for biological, cultural, and paleontological resources will be conducted as appropriate prior to construction activities.
- All crew personnel shall be appropriately trained on environmental issues, including requirements of the MMCRP, prior to starting work. A log shall be maintained on-site with the names of all crew personnel trained and made available to the CPUC upon request.
- No movement or staging of construction vehicles or equipment shall be allowed outside of the approved workspace areas within the San Juan Capistrano Substation site. CPUC must review and approve any additional temporary workspace areas or access routes, and/or changes to construction techniques.
- If construction debris or spills enter into environmentally sensitive areas, the jurisdictional agency and the CPUC shall be notified immediately.

Sincerely,



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Cc:

Joe Donaldson, E & E Project Manager
Mary Turley, San Diego Gas & Electric Project Manager
Rebecca Giles, San Diego Gas & Electric Regulatory Affairs

Attachment 1: Notice to Proceed (NTP) Request 1 to conduct a geotechnical investigation and hazardous materials abatement at the future San Juan Capistrano Substation as part of South Orange County Reliability Enhancement Project