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## RE: CAISO Comments on the Sycamore-Penasquitos 230 Kilovolt Transmission Line Project Draft Environmental Impact Report

The California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) appreciates the opportunity to submit comments regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Sycamore-Penasquitos 230 Kilovolt Transmission Line Project (Project). The CAISO has reviewed the DEIR and the alternatives presented therein. Based on this review, the CAISO believes that the alternatives presented are electrically sufficient to address the CAISO-identified needs for the Project.

The CAISO understands that the alternatives, including the environmentally superior alternative, raise cost and schedule concerns that will be addressed in the Commission's review of the Project and alternatives in the certificate of public convenience and necessity process.

Respectfully,

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