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All Californians:

In 1996, the California Legislature passed a law that requires the CAISO to adopt standards for the maintenance of transmission facilities to provide for reliable electric service. As part of adopting these standards, the CAISO has adopted the specific transmission maintenance practices of transmission owners Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Western Area Power Administration, Sierra Nevada Region. These transmission owners are required to comply with the CAISO adopted maintenance practices. The transmission owners are also subject to mandatory North American Electric Reliability Corporation Reliability Standards approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

To ensure reliable service in California, it is important that transmission owners adhere to these standards and practices. This requires cooperation from affected landowners and governmental agencies to ensure that the transmission owners have access to the transmission facilities and nearby area to trim or remove vegetation, or perform other maintenance. CAISO requests all landowners and agencies to cooperate in allowing the performance of these maintenance standards and practices for the benefit of the CAISO transmission system and the entire State of California.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact our current Grid Assets Manager through our website location: <u>http://www.caiso.com/contact.html</u>

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