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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE ADVISORY

**MEDIA** 

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## CPUC, REP. ROYCE, AND CHINO HILLS MARK START OF UNDERGROUNDING OF TRANSMISSION LINE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 5, 2013 -- The California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) President, Michael R. Peevey, will join U.S. Representative Ed Royce (R-Fullerton), the City of Chino Hills, and Southern California Edison to commemorate the undergrounding of a portion of Edison's Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project that runs through Chino Hills. The undergrounding work will begin in late September. The event will include a photo opportunity with a tower and remarks, as follows.

WHEN: Sept. 6, 2013, 1:25 p.m.-2 p.m.

WHERE: Coral Ridge Park, 1999 Avenida Cabrillo (near Eucalyptus Avenue), Chino Hills

## AGENDA:

- 1:25 p.m.: Remarks by U.S. Representative Ed Royce (R-Fullerton); *Chino Hills Mayor* **Peter Rogers**; **CPUC President Peevey**; and **Ronald L.** *Litzinger*, president of Southern California *Edison* 

- 1:40 p.m.: Photo opportunity at the base of a tower

On July 11, 2013, the CPUC granted the request of the City of Chino Hills to underground a segment of Southern California Edison's Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project, finding that the design of the above ground line effectively ignored community values and placed an unfair and unreasonable burden on residents. The 3.5 mile segment of the 500 kilovolt transmission line running through Chino Hills consisted of massive transmission towers reaching 195-198 feet tall (more than double the height of the prior 75 foot structures) and set in a narrow 150-foot right of way. The CPUC's July decision rectified that disproportionate burden and found that it was in the public interest to construct an underground alternative.

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