

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**505 VAN NESS AVENUE  
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Susan J. Nelson, AIA  
Project Manager  
Southern California Edison  
2244 Walnut Grove Ave.  
Rosemead, CA 91770

RE: Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project (Segments 4-11), Variance Request (VR # 3)

Dear Ms. Nelson,

On June 8, 2010, Southern Californian Edison (SCE) submitted a variance requesting to clarify Segment 7 Telecom construction operating hours and to work the weekend dates of June 12, 13, 19, and 20, within the City of Irwindale, in Los Angeles County, California. **This Variance Request is approved by CPUC for the proposed activities based on the following factors:**

- SCE submitted the following information:

Southern Californian Edison (SCE) submitted a variance on June 8, 2010, requesting to clarify Segment 7 Telecom construction operating hours and to work the weekend dates of June 12, 13, 19, and 20. SCE Grid Control center has limited the 220 kV T/L outage needed to complete the overhead fiber optic cable (FOC) installation to the weekend dates of June 12, 13, 19, and 20. These work days correspond with the Federal Aviation Administration permit and the Caltrans Encroachment permit, which were acquired for these activities. The City of Irwindale Municipal Code, Section 9.28.110, specifies a permit is required for any work on Sunday that will generate noise greater than ambient base noise level that is within 500 feet of a residential zone. The portion of Segment 7 located in the City of Irwindale is not located within 500 feet of a residential zone. Therefore, construction activities would be compliant with the City of Irwindale Municipal Code. Furthermore, the City of Irwindale Municipal Code, Section 9.28.230(B)(D) specifies that noise regulations shall not apply to aircraft operated in conformity with federal law, and shall not apply to construction, operation, maintenance and repairs of facilities of public utilities subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of the California Public Utilities Commission. SCE requests the following text be added to Section 3.0 of the NTPR: "Construction equipment operating hours for Segment 7 Telecom activities are planned to be from approximately 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

- **Biological Resources:** No biological resources will be impacted by this Variance.
- **Cultural Resources:** No cultural resources will be impacted by this Variance.

**The conditions noted below shall be met by SCE and its contractors:**

- All conditions required by NTP #5 shall apply to the subject area and activities.
- Copies of all relevant permits, compliance plans, NTP #5, and this Variance shall be available on site for the duration of construction activities where applicable.



Sincerely,

John Boccio  
CPUC Environmental Project Manager

cc: V. Strong, Aspen