

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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In the Matter of the Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Concerning the Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project (Segments 4 through 11).

A.07-06-031
(Filed June 29, 2007)

NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

Pursuant to Rule 8.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies (CEERT) hereby gives notice of the following two ex parte communications.

The communications occurred on Friday, April 13, 2012, and Monday, April 16, 2012, and involved the same information. The communications were oral and took place by telephone calls to the Commission's offices at 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California 94102.

The communications were initiated by V. John White, Executive Director for CEERT. The first communication occurred at 1:30 p.m. on April 13, 2012, by telephone call to Charlotte TerKeurst, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Mark Ferron. The second communication occurred at 11:30 a.m. on April 16, 2012, by telephone call returned from Matthew Tisdale, energy advisor to Commissioner Michel P. Florio. No one else was present on these telephone calls.

Mr. White stated that CEERT had recently become a party to this application, but had a long standing interest and involvement in the Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project (TRTP) and had participated in the Prehearing Conference (PHC) held on March 19, 2012. Mr. White indicated that CEERT was concerned that the Commission may be re-considering the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

(CPCN) granted for the Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project (TRTP) in Decision (D.) 09-12-044. Mr. White stated that CEERT opposed such a step since there was no precedent to overturn the CPCN granted in D.09-12-044, timely completion of the TRTP is critical to renewable development that has already been planned in response, and significant costs and delay would result if Southern California Edison Company (SCE) were required to undertake an alternative different from the Environmentally Superior Alternative approved in D.09-12-044. Mr. White further advised that a significant delay could put at risk and jeopardize hundreds of millions of dollars of investments in environmentally preferred, cost-effective wind energy projects in Kern County by causing those projects to miss their on-line dates.

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