

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



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In the Matter of the Application of SAN DIEGO)
GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY (U902 E) for a)
Permit to Construct Electrical Facilities with)
Voltages between 50 kV and 200 kV and New)
Substations with High Side Voltages Exceeding)
50 kV: The East County Substation Project)
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Application 09-08-003
(Filed August 10, 2009)

NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

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Pursuant to Rules 8.3 and 8.4 of the California Public Utilities Commission's ("Commission's") Rules of Practice and Procedure, I submit the following notice of ex parte communications regarding the above-captioned proceeding (A.09-08-003).

I. JUNE 13, 2012, COMMUNICATION WITH MARCELO POIRIER

On Wednesday, June 13, I initiated a phone conversation with Marcelo Poirier, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Florio. The conversation commenced at approximately 3:30 p.m. and last until approximately 3:40 p.m., Pacific Standard Time.

After identifying myself as an interested person, I asked several questions and raised several concerns regarding the East County ("ECO") Substation ("Project"). The issues discussed included (1) the separation of the ECO Substation Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") certification from the project approval decision; (2) the public comments made in support of the Project and related projects, by those with vested interests, at the January 24 public participation hearing; (3) the propriety and legality of allowing persons with vested interests in the ECO Substation Project and related projects to make public comments at the Commission's scheduled June 21 hearing on the Project; (4) the cost of the ECO Substation Project; (5) the need for any Permit to Construct issued for the Project to address the substation's designed ability to expand capacity to more than 4,500 MW; (6) the need for better cost-benefit analysis for the ECO Substation Project and related projects; (7) general community public health and safety concerns with the disproportionate impacts from the ECO Substation and related projects on Boulevard and the adjacent communities; and (8) the increased fire risk the projects represent in an underserved low-income area.

II. JUNE 14, 2012, COMMUNICATION WITH CHARLOTTE TERKEURST

On Thursday, June 14, I initiated a phone conversation with Charlotte TerKeurst, Chief of Staff for Commissioner Ferron. The conversation commenced at approximately 1:35 p.m. and last until approximately 1:40 p.m., Pacific Standard Time.

After identifying myself as an interested person, I asked several questions and raised several concerns regarding the ECO Substation Project and the Commission's public participation rules. The issues discussed included (1) the public comments made in support of the Project and related projects, by those with vested interests, at the January 24 public participation hearing; and (2) the propriety and legality of allowing interested persons, including persons with vested interests in the ECO Substation Project and related projects, to make public comments at the Commission's scheduled June 21 hearing on the Project.

Dated: June 15, 2012

Respectfully submitted,

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