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VIA EMAIL

Billie Blanchard Energy Division California Public Utilities Commission 300 Capitol Mall, Room 4-21 Sacramento, California 95814

RE; SCH# 2019089033 SCE Eldorado-Lugo-Mohave Project (ELM Project) Mitigated Negative Declaration

Dear Ms. Blanchard:

The California Department of Water Resources' Division of Operations and Maintenance has reviewed the proposed Southern California Edison Eldorado-Lugo-Mohave Series Capacitor Project and has the following comments.

The proposed project activities include modifying existing series capacitors and related facilities within the Lugo Substation and surrounding area. The proposed installation of optical ground wire and other improvements near the Lugo Substation are within the State Water Project (SWP) East Branch Aqueduct's right-of-way near Milepost 399.56 to the south of the city of Hesperia. The proposed project's use of any SWP right-of-way for any purpose requires an encroachment permit issued by DWR. Information regarding SWP encroachment permits can be found at: https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Real-Estate/Encroachment-Permits

Please provide DWR with a copy of any subsequent project environmental or other documentation when it becomes available for public review by sending the document to:

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If you have any questions, please contact Jonathan Canuela at (916) 653-5095 or Leroy Ellinghouse at (916) 653-7168.

Sincerely,

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