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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY'S
SOUTH BAY SUBSTATION RELOCATION PROJECT
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for consideration of San Diego Gas & Electric Company's (SDG&E's) application to build and operate the South Bay Substation Relocation Project.

The Proposed Project consists of the following major components: construction of a 230/69/12-kilovolt (kV) substation (Bay Boulevard Substation) in the City of Chula Vista; construction of a 230 kV loop-in, an approximately 1,000-foot-long underground interconnection, and an approximately 300-foot-long overhead interconnection of the existing 230 kV tie-line, located east of the proposed Bay Boulevard Substation; relocation of six 69 kV transmission lines; a 138 kV extension of an approximately 3,800-foot underground and approximately 200-foot overhead span from one new steel cable pole to an existing steel lattice structure; and demolition of the existing 138/69 kV South Bay Substation.

The Proposed Project would be located in the City of Chula Vista, California, in the southwesterly portion of San Diego County. The existing South Bay Substation would be relocated to the proposed Bay Boulevard Substation site, which is situated approximately 2 miles south of the City of National City, approximately 5 miles northeast of the City of Imperial Beach, and approximately 7 miles southeast of downtown San Diego.

The Draft EIR details the Proposed Project; evaluates and describes the potential environmental impacts associated with the construction and operation of SDG&E's Proposed Project; identifies those impacts that could be significant; and presents mitigation measures, which, if adopted by the CPUC or other responsible agencies, could avoid or minimize these impacts. The Draft EIR also evaluates alternatives to the Proposed Project, including the No Project Alternative, as required by CEQA. The Draft EIR was released for public review on June 19, 2012.

The Draft EIR is available for public review on the CPUC project website: http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/sbsrp/SouthBaySub.htm. Copies are available at the Civic Center Branch Library, located at 365 "F" Street, Chula Vista, California 91910; the South Chula Vista Branch Library, located at 389 Orange Avenue, Chula Vista, California 91911; and the Dudek office, located at 605 Third Street, Encinitas, California 92024. Copies of the Draft EIR on CD, or a separately bound Executive Summary, may be requested by mail. The project website will be used to post all public documents during the environmental review process and to announce upcoming public meetings.

To help affected communities understand the Proposed Project and the Draft EIR, and to explain how the public can participate in the CPUC's decision-making process, the CPUC will hold an informational meeting on **July 10, 2012, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**, at the Chula Vista Civic

Center Branch Library (365 "F" Street, Chula Vista, California 91910). At this informational workshop, the EIR Team and CPUC staff will be available to respond to questions and provide clarification regarding the impact analysis and conclusions presented in the Draft EIR.

You may submit comments via U.S. mail or by electronic mail (email). Options for submitting comments are as follows.

By Mail: If you send comments by U.S. mail, please use first-class mail and be sure to include your name and a return address. Please send written comments on the scope and content of the EIR to:

Jensen Uchida
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Dudek
605 Third Street
Encinitas, California 92024

By Electronic Mail: Email communications are welcome; however, please remember to include your name and return address in the email message. Email messages should be sent to southbaysub@dudek.com.

Written comments on the Draft EIR must be postmarked and received no later than August 2, 2012; please be sure to include your name, address, and telephone number.