

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

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TO: Steering Committee

FROM: Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG Executive Director

SUBJECT: Reliability Issues re: the SCE Infrastructure in the South Bay

Background

At the last Steering Committee meeting, contracting with Peter Weigand (Skipping Stone Consulting) as a consultant to document our reliability issues was approved with the understanding that each participating city would pay \$2,700. The contract would not be signed with the consultant until the SBCCOG had received sufficient funds to cover the \$25,000 in the consultant's proposal. The City Managers concurred and Hermosa Beach City Manager Tom Bakaly sent the request for funds to the South Bay City Managers asking them to confirm their participation. As of November 2, 6 cities had confirmed and it is anticipated that by the time of this Steering Committee meeting 10 cities will have responded affirmatively and the contract will be executed.

Also at the City Managers' meeting, there was a discussion led by Jeff Robinson from Area G about the fact that SCE has not been notifying cities in a timely manner when there have been power outages and this is a public safety issue. Several cities agreed that this was a problem. Jacki Bacharach contacted Denise Tyrell with the CPUC and explained the issue of the notification problems. She immediately saw this as a potential public safety issue and said that she would notify PUC safety staff. It was agreed that we would forward her any documentation that Jeff Robinson has on this issue and this was done immediately.

On October 29, Jacki Bacharach received a call from the PUC requesting any records re: outages that cities have - in any format - so that they can compare them to SCE's records. They want to make sure that SCE is reporting all of the outages and that the official record reflects what the cities are experiencing. They asked for this information ASAP because they are analyzing the South Bay area for the meeting with the President of the PUC, the President of SCE and a delegation from the South Bay. Cities have been responding and all of the information has been transmitted to the PUC staff.

The meeting with President Peevey and the SCE President and the South Bay representatives is now set for Monday, December 16 @ 1:30 pm. Representatives from the City of Duarte will also be in attendance since they have been talking to President Peevey about the same types of problems as the South Bay has.

Any further updates will be provided at the meeting.