

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-848

A RESOLUTION OF THE RUBIDOUX COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN OPPOSITION OF THE PROPOSED SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON RIVERSIDE TRANSMISSION RELIABILITY PROJECT

WHEREAS, Southern California Edison ("SCE") and the City of Riverside Public Utilities ("RPU") are both project proponents of the development and implementation of the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project; and

WHEREAS, the Rubidoux Community Services District has the responsibility to ensure that all residents in the District, and the local community can live and work in a healthy and safe environment; and

WHEREAS, The California Independent System Operator (CAISO) in 2006 directed Southern California Edison (SCE) to build the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP). SCE and RPU then proposed to build the 230-kV transmission line as an overhead transmission line constructed on lattice steel towers (LST) and tubular steel poles (TSP)—a portion of which are located in the City of Jurupa Valley; and

WHEREAS, as stated in the Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report, this study (Wertheimer, N. and Leeper, E., 1979) observed a statistical association between the high-current configuration (the "wire code") of electric power lines outside of homes in Denver and the incidence of childhood cancer. The "wire code" was assumed to be related to current flow of the line; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the CPUC, the California Department of Health Services (DHS) completed a comprehensive review of existing studies related to EMF from power lines and potential health risks. All three of the DHS scientists are inclined to believe that EMFs can cause some degree of increased risk of childhood leukemia, adult brain cancer, Lou Gehrig's Disease, and miscarriage; and

WHEREAS, as stated in the Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report, Hazards and Hazardous Materials Section, potential impacts from hazards such as downed structures exist within the project, as proposed; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Jurupa Valley may face negative impacts to property values and quality of life due to potential environmental impact to existing residential neighborhoods in the vicinity of the project; and

WHEREAS, the project, as proposed, would impede the construction of residential and commercial projects already entitled for development within the vicinity of the project; and

WHEREAS, as stated in the Subsequent Final Environmental Impact Statement, the alternative which undergrounds the lines North of Limonite Ave. in Jurupa Valley is the environmentally superior alternative;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Rubidoux Community Services District opposes the Southern California Edison Riverside Transmission Reliability Project in its current state and supports the underground alternative in the City of Jurupa Valley.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Rubidoux Community Services District Board of Directors at a regular meeting held on the 4th day of April 2019.

AYES: Hank Trueba, Jr., Armando Muniz, John Skerbelis,
F. Forest Trowbridge

NOES: Bernard Murphy

ABSENT: NONE

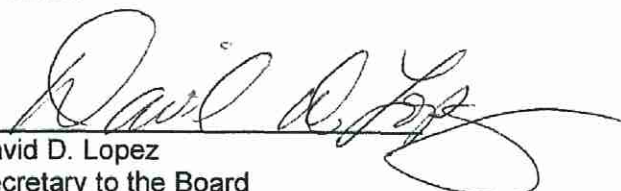
ABSTENTIONS: NONE



Hank Trueba, President
Rubidoux Community Services District

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ATTEST:



David D. Lopez
Secretary to the Board