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To: Wildfire Mitigation Plans (WMPs) Service List (OEIS WMPS@LISTSERVICE.CNRA.CA.GOV)

**Docket: 2022 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Updates (2022-WMPs)** 

Subject: Extension of the evaluation timeframe for Southern California Edison's 2022 Wildfire **Mitigation Plan Update** 

Dear Wildfire Mitigation Plan Stakeholders:

Southern California Edison Company (SCE) timely submitted its 2022 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Update (WMP Update) on February 18, 2022. According to the statutorily mandated evaluation timeframe, Energy Safety must provide a determination on SCE's WMP Update by May 19, 2022, unless Energy Safety makes a written determination that this three-month deadline cannot be met.1

Energy Safety finds that an extension of this deadline is necessary to complete its evaluation. During the public comment period, Energy Safety received substantial, substantive input from stakeholders. To ensure input is sufficiently considered and incorporated into the evaluation, an extension of the timeframe to provide a determination is warranted.

Energy Safety hereby extends its deadline for publishing its draft decision on SCE's 2022 WMP Update for two weeks, to Thursday June 2, 2022.

After issuance of the draft decision, stakeholders and members of the public will have 20 days for comments and 10 days for reply comments, due on June 22, 2022, and July 5, 2022,<sup>2</sup> respectively. Direction for submitting comments is found in Attachment 5 to the 2022 WMP Guidelines.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 8386.3(a) Energy Safety shall "approve or deny each wildfire mitigation plan and update submitted by an electrical corporation within three months of its submission, unless the division makes a written determination, which shall include reasons supporting the determination, that the three-month deadline cannot be met."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Dates falling on a Saturday or holiday as defined in Government Code Section 6700 have been adjusted to the next business day in accordance with Government Code Section 6707.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Final 2022 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Update Guidelines, Accessed 4/28/2022.

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Energy Safety will be postponing the public meeting on its draft decisions on San Diego Gas & Electric Company's and SCE's WMP Updates.<sup>4</sup> A revised version of the Public Meeting Announcement will be filed to the 2022-WMPs docket shortly.

Sincerely,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/eFiling/Getfile.aspx?fileid=52426&shareable=true