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RE: SDG&E Comments on the Energy Safety Draft Decision Approving SDG&E's 2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Update (Draft Decision)

Dear Acting Deputy Director Tony Marino:

San Diego Gas & Electric ("SDG&E") hereby provides opening comments to the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety's ("Energy Safety") August 21, 2024, Draft Decision approving SDG&E's 2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Update ("WMP Update" or "Plan"). SDG&E greatly appreciates Energy Safety's thoughtful and thorough review of SDG&E's 2025 WMP Update. SDG&E's limited comments focus on one clarification and one request for adjustment of an Area for Continued Improvement ("ACI").

# I. COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC AREAS FOR CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT IDENTIFIED BY ENERGY SAFETY

### A. SDGE-25U-05 Early Fault Detection Implementation

SDG&E asks Energy Safety to clarify the reference to "SDGE-25B-08" in the required progress section of this ACI. "SDGE-25B-08" is not an existing ACI, and SDG&E assumes this reference should be "SDG&E-25U-04 Continuation of Grid Hardening Joint Studies."

# B. SDGE-25U-07 Progress on Inspection QA/QC Program Change

SDG&E requests that Energy Safety consider removing two requirements in ACI SDGE-25U-07. This ACI requires SDG&E to report on progress of program changes for the 2024 year, including tracking of pass/fail rates, description of findings, and modifications to procedures or training. However, SDG&E is currently in the process of modifying its QA/QC program for distribution detailed inspections for implementation in 2025. Accordingly, SDG&E will not have data to provide for QA/QC activities in 2024. SDG&E remains in compliance with Energy

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Safety's reporting requirements per version 3.2 data guidelines and is providing the results of its current QA/QC audits of distribution detailed inspections as described in its approved 2023 - 2025 Base WMP.

In its 2026-2028 WMP, SDG&E can provide an update on the first requirement of this ACI, which is to provide "any modifications made to its QA/QC procedures to properly capture findings, including changes made to how SDG&E defines pass/fail criteria," and a description of how it will track pass/fail rates beginning in 2025. Additionally, SDG&E will routinely report progress made on this program in its four Quarterly Data Report (QDR) submissions in 2025.

# II. Conclusion

SDG&E thanks Energy Safety for their thoughtful review and requests that Energy Safety take these recommendations into account in the process of issuing a final approval of SDG&E's 2025 WMP Update.

Respectfully submitted,

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