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Ms. Irene Stillings  
Executive Director  
San Diego Regional Energy Office  
8520 Tech Way  
San Diego, CA 92123

Dear Ms. Stillings,

Southern Californians for Valley Rainbow (SCVR) is a coalition formed in support of the expeditious approval and construction of the Valley Rainbow Interconnect. The coalition is comprised of elected officials, small and large companies, labor unions, and many citizens that are concerned our economic prosperity will be threatened without new sources of electricity.

Regional energy issues are important to our quality of life and economic prosperity. The San Diego Regional Energy Infrastructure Study along with on-going discussions of how to meet the region's growing energy needs is important. The report reaffirms the assessment of most energy industry experts that the region needs additional infrastructure to meet our energy needs in the future.

The San Diego region needs more transmission to deliver already contracted-for energy by the state, including accessing renewable sources of energy. San Diego Gas & Electric has proposed the Valley Rainbow Interconnect to address the need for additional transmission infrastructure, yet this critical piece of infrastructure has not been appropriately included and recognized in your report. SCVR strongly urges you to support this urgently needed infrastructure project and recognize the importance of the long-term benefits this project brings to the region.

Enclosed is a partial list of SCVR coalition members. SCVR strongly urges your recognition and support for the Valley Rainbow Interconnect and the many benefits it will bring to our region. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Cheryl Wahl'.