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July 7, 2009

Alexander Morris
FOIA Officer
Office of Information Resources
Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue SW
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Alexander:

I am writing to follow the letter sent to you by The Protect Our Communities Foundation (POC) on May 11, 2009 regarding their Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request.

The POC requested documentation showing communication among and between the Department of Energy (DOE), other federal agencies, San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) and Sempra Energy regarding the Sunrise Powerlink transmission line project. On May 13, 2009, your office responded by letter stating that the DOE does not maintain a centralized document system and therefore their FOIA request had been distributed to various offices for a formal response. As of today, the POC has not heard back from the different entities.

SDG&E's proposed Sunrise Powerlink is of grave concern to me and my constituents. The POC is concerned that this is a fossil fuel energy project that is being advertised by SDG&E as a renewable energy project. Furthermore, that the Powerlink would cause significant and unnecessary harm to recreational opportunities on public land and cultural resources, as well as, increase the risk of wild fires to already vulnerable communities.

I would appreciate you looking into the matter and providing me and The Protect Our Communities Foundation an opportunity to review the requested information. This FOIA request would greatly help volunteer-based community organizations, like the POC, to respond to SDG&E communications and information in a timely

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William Metz
Forest Supervisor
U.S. Department of Agriculture-Cleveland National Forrest
10845 Rancho Bernardo Road, Suite 200
San Diego, CA 92127

Dear William:

I am writing to follow the letter sent to you by The Protect Our Communities Foundation (POC) on May 27, 2009 regarding their Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request.

The POC requested documentation showing communication among the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Forest Service, other federal agencies, San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) and Sempra Energy regarding the Sunrise Powerlink transmission line project. Although, the POC did receive a letter from the Forest Services' Washington Office, it only claimed that their requested records were available at either the Pacific Southwest Regional office or at the Cleveland National Forest. As of today, the POC has yet receive any additional follow up information.

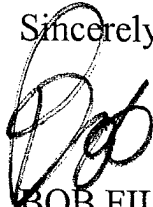
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Ruby Boyd
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United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
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Pacific Southwest Region
1323 Club Dr
Vallejo, CA 94592

Dear Ruby:

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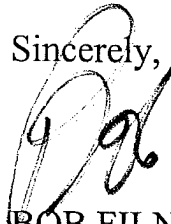
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