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Subject: Edison's Public Safety Power Shut Off Proposal

Hello Deborah.

I reviewed the proposal as we will not be able to attend the meeting.

Our only comment is that we don't have much faith in Edison's management of such details as when to turn off the power, when to turn on the power, or notification.

Case in point - during the Thomas Fire, we were plunged into darkness along with my 92 year old father. I understand there was little time to notify anyone, but in the hours following, they should have posted on their website, sent an email, notified the City of Goleta, notified OEM, who also could have sent messages out, so we had some reference and been more at ease, been able to make better arrangements, etc., etc.

As for their planning abilities, those are also in question, in our minds. In the recently scheduled Maintenance Outage of August 10th from 9 pm to 12:30 AM, the outage didn't occur and it was cancelled, to be rescheduled at a later time. I have since learned the reason for the cancellation is because there was a tree in the way. (It now has to be trimmed or removed - TBD.) This does not instill a lot of confidence in management of the local region. How could they not know a tree was in the way of the installation/operation of the new equipment? Really? The preparations that had to be made by ourselves, for others and by others, were time consuming and very inconvenient. Not that we don't understand its necessity, but the planning failure is inexcusable.

Further, along the lines of Maintenance Outages, why would Edison be permitted to turn off our power between 9 pm and 12:30 AM EVER? Why not 12:00 AM to 3 AM, or 3 AM to 6AM, or 9AM to Noon. EVERYONE is at home at 9 pm. And there are no or very few businesses in our Outage area. And even if there were, a few businesses take precedence over

500 hundred homes?

I hope the City Council and other appropriate staff will address these issues with Edison, that processes and procedures will be in place to notify the City and the Edison customers during emergency events and local events, and that their planning skills will be addressed for any event.

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