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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: TD1970770 Wind Sub Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project
(Notification of Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-RIV-45369-R6).

Project Location (Riverside County): The TD1970770 Wind Sub Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project (Project) is located along the Whitewater River, on lands owned by the by the United States Bureau of Land Management, approximately 2,000 feet south of Interstate 10, Southeast of the City of Desert Hot Springs, Riverside County, State of California; Latitude 33.899596, Longitude -116.556500.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-RIV-45369-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Edison.

The Project is limited to removal of approximately 285 linear feet of chain link fence, removal and replacement of a wooden two-pole structure with a single wooden pole (Pole 4322752E), and installation of approximately 37 linear feet of new underground conduit between several existing utility structures immediately north of Pole 4322752E.

Project activities described above are anticipated to impact 2.721 acres of areas subject to Fish and Game Code Section 1602.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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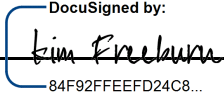
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Exempt Status:

- ☐ Statutory Exemption. [State code number]
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301(b and d))

Reasons why project is exempt: Project includes the restoration and/or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged existing structure or facility to meet public health and safety standards.

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