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January 18, 2006

OFFICE OF INDIAN ENERGY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Department of the Interior
1849 C St. NW Mail Stop 2749-MIB
Washington, DC 20240

Attention: Michael D. Olsen
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary -- Indian Affairs
Section 1813 ROW Study

Re: Energy Policy Act of 2005
Section 1813 Congressionally Mandated
Study of Energy Rights-of-Way on Tribal Lands

Dear Mr. Olsen:

San Diego Gas & Electric Company and Southern California Gas Company, divisions of Sempra Energy, would like to participate in the 1813 Right-of-Way Study, including the upcoming scoping meeting and working groups.

San Diego Gas & Electric Company and Southern California Gas Company serve 23 million electric and gas consumers within the State of California from the Central Valley to the Mexican border. Together, the Sempra Energy Utilities serve one of the largest customer bases of any energy utility in the United States.

The Sempra Energy Utilities receive a significant amount of their electric and gas supply by way of the interstate transmission systems whose rights-of-way cross tribal lands. In addition, both utilities operate major intrastate transmission facilities across tribal lands.

Ultimately, the ratepayers bear the cost of the right-of-way fees incurred by the Sempra Energy Utilities. The Sempra Energy Utilities are committed to developing fair and appropriate compensation for energy rights-of-way on tribal lands for all parties concerned.

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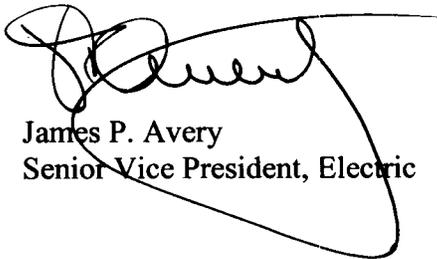
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The Sempra Energy Utilities look forward to participating in this very important study.

Sincerely,

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James P. Avery
Senior Vice President, Electric

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Lee M. Stewart
Senior Vice President, Gas Operations