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Michael Picker, President
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear President Picker:

As Supervisor of the Second Supervisorial District in San Diego County, I am writing to request a review and audit of the Sunrise Powerlink Fire Mitigation Grants Program.

My office has been contacted by numerous concerned residents regarding the implementation and lack of transparency of the Sunrise Powerlink Fire Mitigation Grants Program. While I have been staunchly opposed to the Sunrise Powerlink, residents of my district who reside in close proximity to the Powerlink have for years relied on this grant program to protect their homes from wildfires that could be sparked by this unnecessary transmission line. Residents have expressed concerns that the number of grant awards and the amount awarded has fluctuated with no consistency or rubric for how grant awards are made. This has led to a general sense of frustration over how the program is managed, and that San Diego Gas & Electric has shirked its responsibility.

For these reasons, I am requesting that the CPUC review and audit the Sunrise Powerlink Fire Mitigation Grants Program to provide transparency for how the committee should operate and to provide clarity on the intent and process for how grants should be awarded. Unfortunately, it is time for the CPUC to step in and carefully look at the community's concerns regarding this program. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

DIANNE JACOB
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