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Mr. Mahmoud Intably
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California Public Utilities Commission
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RE: Directive to Southern California Gas Company (SCG) to Test Failed Pipeline component related to DOT incident #1169104

Dear Mr. Intably:

Pursuant to our conversation on November 28, at 8:45 a.m. Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) advised the Safety and Enforcement Division (SED) that the fitting SED directed SoCalGas to test is evidence in an ongoing litigation. SoCalGas has no objection to SED's directive subject to the following explanation. Without agreement by all parties in the litigation, SoCalGas is unable to perform the directed tested within the December 18, 2018 time frame directed by SED.

As we explained, testing of the fitting by experts for the litigants is planned for January 10, 2019. The location has not been finalized but will be within the Los Angeles area. SoCalGas is respectfully requesting SED postpone the timing of its directive to test by December 18, 2018 and instead attend the testing scheduled for January 10, 2019. SoCalGas will further provide SED with the testing protocol and the test results from the January 10, 2019 testing. In the interim, SoCalGas can arrange for SED to view the fitting at any time convenient for SED.

Please confirm SED's agreement to delay testing of the fitting until January 10, 2019 and whether SED would like to view the piping before the January 10, 2019 testing. Please further advise whether SED would like to be present for the January 10, 2019 testing. Please contact me at a figure of the January 10, 2019 testing. Please contact me at a figure of the January 10, 2019 testing.

Sincerely.

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CC: Elizaveta Malashenko, SED Director, Mahmoud (Steve) Intably, SED/GSRB, Matt Epuna, SED/GSRB, Kan Wai Tong, SED/GSRB, Dennis Lee SED/GSRB