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July 25, 2025

California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)
Attn: James Miller

RE: City of Needles Electric Distribution Audit Dated June 25, 2025

Mr. Miller,

In response to the City of Needles Audit completed from March 10, 2025 to March 14, 2025 the following corrective measures/actions have taken place;

Records Review

GO 95, Rule 18, Maintenance Programs and Resolution of Potential Violations of General Order 95 and Safety Hazards, Section (A)(1)

The City of Needles staff have taken corrective actions, as requested, and will maintain the records for the required record retention policy set.

GO 95, Rule 18, Section (B) Maintenance Program

City Staff and Management are preparing a maintenance program/procedure to implement work orders for all GO 95 inspections and/or corrective actions

GO 165, Section III-B, Distribution Facilities, Standards for Inspection

City Staff and Management are implementing an inspection program for all distribution facilities with proper patrol logs

GO 95, Rule 31.2, Inspection of Lines

City Staff and Management are implementing line inspection logs for staff to complete as requested.

GO 95, Rule 35, Vegetation Management

City Staff and Management are implementing vegetation management logs for staff to complete as requested.

GO 165, Rule III (C) Record Keeping

City Staff and Management are implementing an inspection program for all overhead facilities with proper patrol logs

GO 165, Section III-B, Distribution Facilities, Standards for Inspection

City Staff and Management are implementing an inspection program for all distribution facilities with proper patrol logs

GO 128, Rule 17.2, Inspection

City Staff and Management are implementing an inspection program for all underground supply facilities

GO 165, Rule III (C) Record Keeping

All implemented inspection logs, patrol logs, and work orders will be kept for the required record retention policy set by GO 165, Rule III (c), Record Keeping.

Field Inspection

GO 95, Rule 91.3, Stepping, B. Location of Steps

City Staff removed the pole step on Pole No. 0603N as requested.

GO 95, Rule 31.1, Design, Construction and Maintenance

- Transformer on Pole No. 4453N were inspected, and the corrosion was rust, crews painted the transformer
- Transformers on or near Pole No. 4602NN were inspected, and the corrosion was rust, crews painted the transformer
- New wire was placed on Pole No. 3545N. Ground wire was removed by theft.
- Unraveling wire was repaired
- Ground Molding was replaced on Pole No. 3564N
- Down guy wire was repaired on Pole No. 4234N

GO 95, Rule 51.63, Marking and Guarding, High Voltage Marking of Poles

- All poles mentioned below have work orders prepared for crews to replace or install high-voltage signs as requested

GO 128, Rule 17.1, Design, Construction and Maintenance

- The padmounted transformer no. 4644 & 3284 will be replaced in the fall. Current peak summer temperatures limit the crews ability to schedule an outage for the extended period needed to replace the transformers.
- The padmounted transformer no. 4681 damage lock has been repaired and is in working condition.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me directly.

Respectfully,

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