CPUC RULES FAVORABLY ON TEHACHAPI RENEWABLE TRANSMISSION PROJECT
KEEPS PROJECT ON TRACK AND CONTINUES
REVIEW OF UNDERGROUNDING OPTION

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approved the “Interim Decision on Rate Recovery of Reasonable Costs Associated with Specific Preliminary Activities Necessary to Ensure Timely Completion of Segment 8a of the Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project,” at their meeting on February 28.

Item 34 was considered as part of the consent calendar. Upon approval of the consent calendar, CPUC Commission President Michael R. Peevey commented, “We don’t want to, in any way, impede that line’s operation but at the same time we are looking very, very closely at the attractiveness, and desirability, and need of undergrounding that line through the community of Chino Hills.”

Mr. Peevey thanked his colleagues for their support on the item.

“The City of Chino Hills has supported SCE’s rate recovery request because it takes the delay of the overall TRTP project’s operation out of the debate,” said City Manager Mike Fleager. “We are working diligently to prepare our testimony in support of undergrounding and look forward to a positive decision by the CPUC this summer.”

According to the current CPUC calendar relative to the continued study of the undergrounding of Segment 8a, the CPUC will take testimony on the matter during the week of April 22nd, followed by a period of CPUC study and review, a proposed decision by the Administrative Law Judge, and consideration of the matter by the CPUC on July 11th.