Notice of Intent
To Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

Re: Station A Substation Rebuild and Relocation Project

To Whom It May Concern:

Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) has prepared a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) addressing the potential environmental effects of constructing and operating the Station A Substation Rebuild and Relocation Project (Proposed Project), located in Sacramento, California. The proposed project includes installing new electrical equipment on a 1.3-acre parcel located directly to the north of the existing substation, relocating existing underground transmission and distribution lines, and decommissioning portions of the equipment located at the existing substation.

The proposed project is located between G Street and H Street (running east/west) and 6th Street and 7th Street (running north/south) in downtown Sacramento(Figure 1 and 2). The project site is at the edge of the downtown area and within the planned Sacramento Railyards, immediately north of the downtown area.

As lead agency, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), SMUD is distributing the Draft IS/MND to interested public and regulatory authorities for review and comment. SMUD will receive public/agency comments on the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for a 30-day period beginning October 3, 2015 and ending November 4, 2015. The Draft IS/MND is available on SMUD’s web page at https://www.smud.org/en/about-smud/company-information/document-library/CEQA-reports.htm and hardcopies may be reviewed at the following locations: SMUD Customer Service Center, 6301 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95817; SMUD East Campus Operations Center, 4401 Bradshaw Road, Sacramento, CA 95827; and State Clearinghouse, 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

To present the results of the Draft IS/MND evaluation and to answer questions regarding the proposed project, SMUD will hold a public meeting on October 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the SMUD Customer Service Center Rubicon Room, 6301 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95817. The public is invited to attend the meeting to provide input on the Draft CEQA analysis. Written comments should be submitted by mail to Jose Bodipo-Memba, SMUD, P.O. Box 15830, MS H203, Sacramento, CA, 95852-1830, by email to Jose.Bodipo-Memba@smud.org, or by fax (916) 732-6890 before 5 p.m., November 4, 2015. If you have questions please contact Jose Bodipo-Memba at (916) 732-6493 or at Jose.Bodipo-Memba@smud.org.
The SMUD Board of Directors will consider adoption of the IS/MND for this project at two meetings at which the public may make oral comments. The Board will take no action at the Energy Resources and Customer Service Committee meeting. Both public meetings will be held at the SMUD Customer Service Center, 6301 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95817.

We appreciate your time and effort to review the Draft IS/MND. Your comments regarding this project will be considered as part of future decisions to be made by SMUD.

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Sacramento Municipal Utility District

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Figure 1  Station A Project Site and Vicinity
Figure 2  Proposed Project Layout