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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION STATE OF CALIFORNIA ATTN: DESMOND LEW 320 W FOURTH STREET SUITE 500 LOS ANGELES, CA 90013

Re: Date of Incident: November 6, 2024

Location of Incident: Balcom Canyon Rd./Bixby Rd., Somis, CA

Dear Desmond Lew:

In accordance with the reporting requirements set forth in Resolution E-4184, this letter supplements the notice Southern California Edison Company (SCE) provided to the Commission via the web-based emergency reporting system on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 1:41 p.m. regarding the above-referenced incident. SCE is required to submit this information pursuant to Commission instructions, resolutions and the Public Utilities Code, and submits this report under Public Utilities Code Section 315.

SCE submitted its report on the Mountain Fire incident out of an abundance of caution due to significant media attention and property damage exceeding \$50,000, and because SCE received a complaint alleging that its electric facilities may have ignited the Mountain Fire. Since our initial report to the Commission, we have confirmed that this complaint has been dismissed. Aside from the plaintiffs in that lawsuit alleging SCE's involvement in the ignition of the fire, we do not believe this incident would have met the reporting requirements.

To date, no fire agency has suggested that SCE's electric facilities were involved in the ignition of the Mountain Fire. In fact, Cal Fire informed us that it removed evidence from the area of origin on the morning of November 12, 2024; Cal Fire did not remove any SCE electric facilities. Neither Cal Fire nor Ventura County Fire Department (VCFD) requested that SCE preserve or retain any materials or electric facilities in the field related to their investigation of the Mountain Fire. Furthermore, SCE was informed by Cal Fire that it cleared and released the scene of its investigation on November 12, 2024.

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Additionally, preliminary information indicates that SCE had no interruptions or operations on the section of the circuit nearest to the suspected origin location of the fire close to the time of its ignition.

Sincerely,

Aaron Lopez