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Michael Picker, President
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Ave
San Francisco, CA 94102

Submitted via email: public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

RE: Proceeding R. 18-10-007 Wildfire Mitigation Plans

Dear President Picker,

In late November, the League of California Cities submitted comments regarding investor-owned utilities (IOUs) wildfire mitigation plans. Specifically, the League requested that "IOUs coordinate with local agencies in their service territory when developing wildfire mitigation plans."

With that said, the Town of Apple Valley, in conjunction with the Apple Valley Fire Protection District, would like to submit the following comments for consideration during these proceedings:

1. Compel Utilities to provide representation within community stakeholder groups during the development of the Community Wild Fire Protection Plan.
2. Compel Utilities to provide Hazard Mitigation Plans and advise of project planning for the mitigation of Wildfire hazards adjacent to and around the built environment.
3. Compel Utilities to work with Homeowners and private land owners to secure Wildland Urban Interface Treatments around and adjacent to the built community environment consistent with the Wildland-Urban Interface Code (WUI CODE).
4. Compel Utilities to work with local fire safe councils in the funding of and/or execution of large, broadcast community wildfire fuel reduction projects that pose a mutual threat to utility infrastructure.
5. Compel Utilities to develop and maintain working relationships with local Community Risk Reduction Staff as necessary to mutually support community safe projects.
6. Compel Utilities to provide representatives to local Emergency Operation Centers (EOC) when activated.
7. Compel Utilities to provide representatives to attend and participate in local Disaster Preparedness Council meetings where they exist.

Sincerely,

Larry Cusack
Mayor

cc: Senator Scott Wilk, 21st District
Assembly Member Jay Obernolte, 33rd District
Laura Morales, Regional Public Affairs Manager, League of California Cities