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RE: Informal Data Response, Set 7A
San Francisco Electric Reliability Project (04-AFC-1)

Dear Bill:

On behalf of the City of San Francisco, please find attached 12 copies and one original of Staff's Informal Data Response, Set 7A, in response to Staff's Informal Data Requests dated July 6, 2005. Copies of the data responses are being filed both electronically and in hard copy.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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John L. Carrier, J.D.
Program Manager

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**SAN FRANCISCO ELECTRIC
RELIABILITY PROJECT
(04-AFC-1)**

**INFORMAL DATA RESPONSE,
SET 7A**

(Responses to Informal Data Requests in the area of: Cultural Resources)

Submitted by
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

July 19, 2005



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Technical Area: Cultural Resources

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CR7-1. Please provide the results of the applicant's investigation into a possible prehistoric archaeological site identified at the May 6 Public Hearing by an Ohlone representative as being near the proposed water pumping station.

Response: Project staff talked with Mr. Francisco Da Costa (telephone # 415-822-9602) on July 13, 2005. Mr. Da Costa's concern is that the former banks of Islais Creek and the San Francisco Bay shore zone in general are sensitive archaeological areas where prehistoric Native American burials might be found. When asked about specific sites that might be located near the SFERP pumping station, Mr. Da Costa reiterated that the entire area is sensitive and recalled that archaeological remains had been found in the 1970s along Cesar Chavez Boulevard, near the Chronicle building, and between Army Street (now Cesar Chavez) and Bayshore (possibly US 101) towards Daly City. Mr. Da Costa said that, in general, "it is very difficult to say where" on the Islais Creek banks, people were buried, but he wanted us to be aware of the sensitivity of the area. Mr. Da Costa also commented on pathogens in recycled water, liquefaction, air pollution, and land use issues regarding the project.

Thus, the conversation with Mr. Da Costa did not provide information to confirm the existence of a prehistoric archeological site that would be impacted by the Project or sufficient information to support the need for additional investigation on the part of the City beyond what has already been undertaken. In Supplement A, the City set forth the investigation it undertook to identify potentially sensitive prehistoric Native American resources that could be affected by the Project. Supplement A indicates that the closest recorded archeological site is located about 0.5 miles south of the southernmost terminus of the water pipeline at Marin Street. Supplement A also notes that prehistoric archeological resources are likely to be found in the former shoreline areas and that the underground transmission line route crosses into the prehistoric shoreline zone north of the SFERP site between 22nd and 23rd street on Illinois Street. Thus impacts to subsurface archaeological resources from the proposed project and other projects in the vicinity could occur. However, project proponents for this and future projects in the area can mitigate impacts to as yet undiscovered subsurface archaeological sites by implementing mitigation measures requiring construction monitoring, evaluation of resources discovered during monitoring and avoidance or data recover for resources evaluated as significant. The mitigation proposed by the City adequately addresses the concerns raised by Mr. Da Costa.

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