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Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (Draft MND) for the Proposed Installation, Use and Maintenance of a Wireless Telecommunications Facility Project at 8365 N Lehigh Ave in the Sun Valley-La Tuna Canyon Area (NG-14-393-PL; ENV-2014-2664)

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) staff appreciates the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned document both as a commenting agency and a responsible agency. The following comments are meant as guidance for the Lead Agency and should be incorporated into the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration.

In the project description, the lead agency proposes to permit the installation, use and maintenance of a new unmanned wireless telecommunications facility, consisting of a monopine with 12 panel antenna, 12 remote radio header units, 3 tower-mounted amplifiers, 1 parabolic antenna, 4 raycaps, 4 GPS antennas, with 5 equipment cabinets and a backup power generator on the ground floor to be screened by a new 8-ft. tall solid masonry wall. If the proposed backup generator is diesel-fueled and rated greater than 50 brake horsepower (bhp), a permit would be required in accordance with SCAQMD rules including Rule 1470 – Requirements for Stationary Diesel-Fueled Internal Combustion and Other Compression Initial Engines and Rule 1110.2 – Emissions From Gaseous- and Liquid-Fueled Engines. If there are permit questions concerning the generator, they can be directed to Engineering and Compliance Staff at (909) 396-2315.

Please provide the SCAQMD with written responses to all comments contained herein prior to the adoption of the Final MND. The SCAQMD staff is available to work with the Lead Agency to address these issues and any other air quality questions that may arise. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at <u>jbaker@aqmd.gov</u> or call me at (909) 396-3176.

Sincerely,

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