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DATA REQUEST SET Cal Advocates - SCE - 2025 WMP - 03

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Question 07:

Please provide a list of any incidents in 2023 where the actions of a VM contractor posed a safety risk to workers and/or the public. “Safety risk” here is defined as any occurrence on a worksite where the contractor's actions created a safety hazard for either workers or the general public. For each instance, please provide:

- a) The date you were informed of the safety issue
- b) The date that the original work that created the safety issue was performed
- c) Whether the safety issue concerned a transmission or distribution circuit
- d) The vegetation management initiative involved in the original work
- e) A brief description of the safety issue involved.

Response to Question 07:

Please see the attached Excel file entitled “*2023_SCE VM Incidents_redacted*” for the list of contractor safety incidents related to Vegetation Management that occurred in 2023.¹

Whether or not the contractor’s actions posed a safety risk is a subjective determination in many cases. For that reason, SCE provides a complete list of vegetation management contractor safety incidents in 2023, which includes incidents caused by another party.

Please note that much of the work performed by our Vegetation Management tree crews is inherently hazardous. The very act of felling a tree is an action that creates a potential safety hazard. Safety is one of SCE’s key values and crews are trained to identify and mitigate various hazards associated with their work.

Below is SCE’s response to parts (a) through (e):

- a) *The date you were informed of the safety issue.*

Please see column B labeled “Report Date.”

¹ For completeness, SCE is providing a list of all vegetation management contractor safety incidents in 2023, which include incidents caused by another party. Additionally, SCE has redacted confidential information, which includes but is not limited to employee names.

b) The date that the original work that created the safety issue was performed.

Please see column A labeled “Incident Date.”

c) Whether the safety issue concerned a transmission or distribution circuit

Safety incidents are tracked by geographic region and not by transmission circuit or distribution grid. For the geographic region, please see column C labeled “Region/Grid.”

d) The vegetation management initiative involved in the original work.

Please see column D labeled “Work Type.”

e) A brief description of the safety issue involved.

Please see column E labeled “Brief Description.”