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The Honourable Benjamin Allen California State Senate Capitol Office, 1021 O Street, Suite 6610, Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

Dear Senator Allen,

On behalf of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), Southern California Edison (SCE), and Sempra Energy, we are writing to express our strong support for Senate Bill 60, the Wildfire Resilience and Preparedness Act.

As California's major energy providers, we share a deep commitment to protecting communities, strengthening grid resilience, and advancing statewide wildfire prevention efforts. SB 60 provides the kind of comprehensive, community-focused framework that complements the ongoing hardening, vegetation management, and emergency preparedness work already being led by our utilities in coordination with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE). By establishing the Wildfire Resilience and Preparedness Program, SB 60 creates a flexible and collaborative model that empowers local governments, tribal nations, and nonprofit organizations to address unique regional wildfire risks. The inclusion of \$7.5 million in targeted state funding, with atleast 35% directed toward disadvantaged and high risk communities, ensures that resources are directed where they are needed most, while maintaining the voluntary participation needed for effective implementation.

We particularly appreciate the bill's emphasis on initiatives that directly enhance both community and infrastructure safety. The creation and maintenance of defensible space aligns closely with our wildfire mitigation and grid protection strategies, reducing ignition risks in high risk areas. The inclusion of home hardening retrofits helps safeguard structures in the wildland urban interface, while provisions supporting controlled burns advance responsible vegetation management that benefits both the environment and system reliability. Additionally, the bill's call for coordination with Native American tribes acknowledges the importance of incorporating traditional ecological knowledge into California's modern wildfire prevention framework.

This legislation aligns with our companies' shared mission to advance climate resilience and public safety through responsible infrastructure investment and strong public-private collaboration. The transparent, data-driven reporting structure required under SB 60 will also help strengthen public trust while allowing for continuous improvement in wildfire prevention practices statewide. PG&E, SCE, and Sempra Energy are proud to coauthor and support SB 60

alongside your office, Senator McGuire, Senator Stern, Senator Pérez, and our environmental and labour partners at the Sierra Club. Together, we can make California safer, more sustainable, and better prepared for future wildfire seasons.

We thank you for your leadership on this critical issue and look forward to continued collaboration as this bill advances.

Sincerely,
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