

Second Amendment to the Interconnection Facilities Agreement with SCE for RTRP

Public Utilities Department

City Council
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Background

Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP) is a joint project with Southern California Edison Company (SCE) to provide the City of Riverside a second connection to the state electrical grid. RTRP:

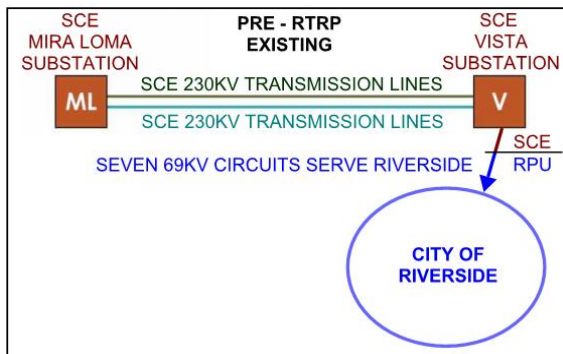
1. Addresses electrical capacity and reliability needs of Riverside
2. Improves Riverside Public Utilities' (RPU) 69kV transmission network.



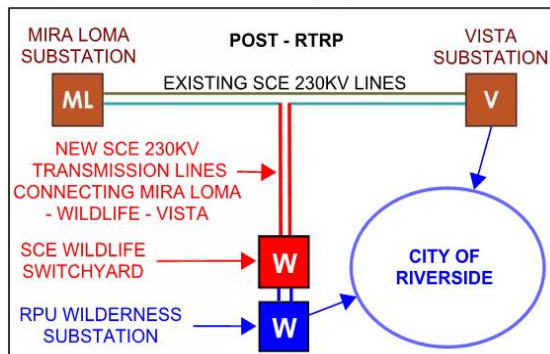
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Background (continued)



Single connection to
the state grid



Two connections to
the state grid



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MILESTONES

1. November 2004 – RPU applies for second connection to the state grid.
2. January 2006 – Riverside's Board of Public Utilities approves RTRP.
3. September 2006 - California Independent System Operator (CAISO) approves the project as a necessary and cost effective addition to the state grid.



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MILESTONES (Continued)

4. March 2009 - Riverside City Council approves the Interconnection Facilities Agreement (IFA) between SCE and RPU. **The IFA requires that SCE reimburse Riverside payments for ISO controlled facilities following CPUC's approval.**
5. April 2009 - The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) certifies the IFA.
6. November 2010 - IFA is amended and the First Amendment to the IFA is approved by FERC.



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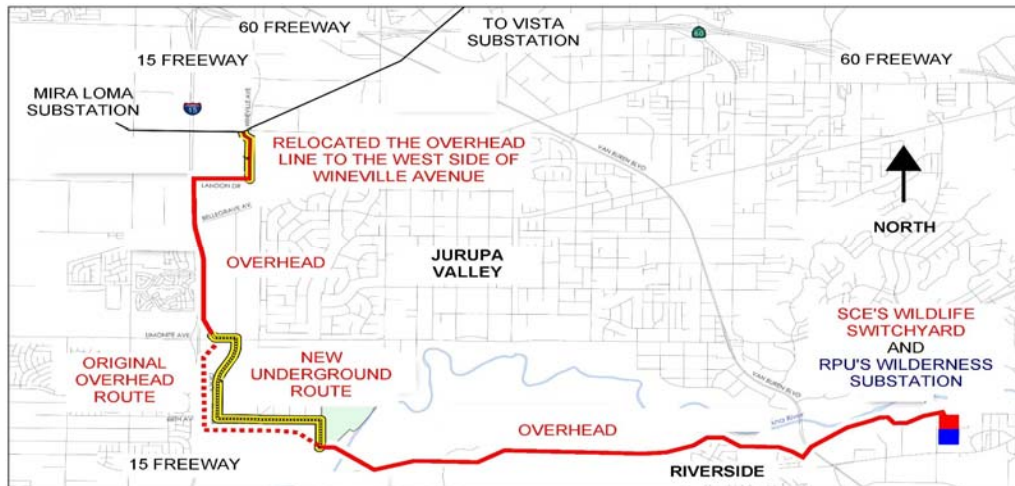
7. April 2015 - SCE submits its application to the California Public Utility Commission (CPUC) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN).
8. January 2017 - CPUC deems SCE's application complete but decides additional environmental work is required to study the changed conditions between the Hybrid Route and the original proposed route.



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Hybrid Route



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DISCUSSION

1. Per 2010 Agreement, RPU pays SCE \$8,820,000 for Permitting and Licensing efforts - the entire funding amount contemplated under that agreement.
2. August 2017 - CPUC administrative law judge (ALJ) directs SCE, RPU, and CAISO to prepare a joint report addressing low voltage alternatives to RTRP.
3. July 2017 – SCE seeks to amend the IFA to recover additional costs to keep RPU's application moving.



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

1. Approve the Second Amendment to the Interconnection Facilities Agreement with SCE revising the cost and payment schedule and increasing the amount of the agreement by \$1,500,000; and,
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Second Amendment to the Interconnection Facilities Agreement including making minor non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents necessary to complete the transaction for filing with the FERC by SCE.



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