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Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (Draft MND) for the Proposed Installation, Operation and Maintenance of a New Wireless Telecom Facility at 9659 N. Balboa Boulevard in Northridge (ENV-2014-967-MND)

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 the installation, operation and maintenance of a wireless telecommunications facility. Although the project description includes a proposed backup diesel-powered generator, the horsepower rating is not included in the Draft CEQA document. If the generator is rated greater than 50 brake horsepower (bhp), a permit will be required in accordance with SCAQMD rules including Rule 1470 – Requirements for Stationary Diesel-Fueled Internal Combustion and Other Compression Initial Engines. Permit questions 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. Please contact Gordon Mize, Air Quality Specialist – CEQA Section, at (909) 396-3302, if you have any questions regarding these comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edward Eckerle".

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