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DATA REQUEST SET Cal Advocates - SCE - 2023 WMP - 06

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Question 03:

Please provide a list of any incidents in 2022 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 03:

Please see the attached Excel file entitled *2022_SCE VM Safety Incidents.xlsx* for the list of contractor safety incidents related to Vegetation Management that occurred in 2022.

Please note that much of the work performed by our Vegetation Management tree crews is inherently hazardous. For example, the very act of felling a tree is an action that creates a potential safety hazard. However, 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 D labeled “Date Submitted.”
- b) The date that the original work that created the safety issue was performed – Please see column C labeled “Date of Incident.”
- 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 region, please see column A labeled “Region.”
- d) The vegetation management initiative involved in the original work – This information is not tracked in SCE’s safety reporting system.

- e) A brief description of the safety issue involved – Please see column E labeled “Incident Type Combined” and column F labeled “Description of Incident.” The reporting system has not made the description field mandatory. As a result, in some instances, this field is left blank.