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The Honorable Lorena Gonzales
State Capitol, Room
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RE: AB 2470 (Gonzales) – Support

Dear Assemblymember Gonzalez:

San Diego Gas & Electric is pleased to support your bill, AB 2470, which seeks to help ensure adequate water for the Sycuan Reservation and its enterprises.

It is our understanding that the Sycuan Tribe's original reservation is currently served through groundwater wells in a fractured rock system. While we are told that the Sycuan tribe has an adequate supply of groundwater, they are understandably concerned that in the event of an earthquake, wildfire, prolonged drought or other public safety emergency, the tribe, its members, employees, and customers could be significantly harmed if this groundwater source becomes unavailable.

The Sycuan Tribe is a valued SDG&E customer and partner within the San Diego community. Working with the Sycuan Tribe, SDG&E has recently completed efforts which have improved reliability and safety on the Sycuan reservation. Additionally, AB 2470 would allow the tribe to purchase water from a contiguous municipal water district, which would mitigate the risk of barred access to drinking water if the groundwater source is unavailable.

For the reasons noted above, SDG&E supports AB 2470.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mitch Mitchell".

c: The Honorable Susan Eggman, Chair, Assembly
Committee on Local Government
Members, Assembly Committee on Local Government
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