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# California State Senate

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March 15, 2013

Mr. Stephen Berberich, President and CEO  
California Independent System Operator  
P.O. Box 639014  
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Dear Mr. Berberich:

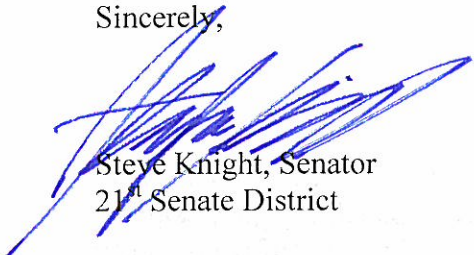
I am writing in support of the AV Clearview Transmission Project. The project, as proposed, would create jobs and provide stability in the power supply to the Antelope Valley. Without this crucial upgrade, it will be difficult to meet state renewable energy regulations by 2020.

Through Phase 1 of the AV Clearview Project, all electrical requirements of the Abengoa Solar Mohave Project's Large Generator Interconnect Agreement could be met. This project will provide additional reliability and operational benefits to ratepayers in the Antelope Valley and critical energy security to Edwards Air Force Base. The quick time line projected for this project will allow for renewable energies to continue their growth in the Antelope Valley sooner than anticipated.

In addition to these important benefits to the CAISO, renewable generators and to California ratepayers, I am particularly interested in the strong economic boost that AV Clearview will bring to the greater Antelope Valley and in particular the number of construction jobs this project could bring to our area in the near future. This economic activity is sorely needed.

With all the advantages the AV Clearview Project, I respectfully encourage the AV Clearview Transmission Project in the 2012-2013 Transmission Plan as a viable, cost-effective option.

Sincerely,

  
Steve Knight, Senator  
21<sup>st</sup> Senate District

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cc: Members, CAISO Board of Governors,  
Commissioners, California Public Utilities Commission  
Commissioners, California Energy Commission  
The Honorable Jerry Brown Governor; Attn: Michael Picker