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San Jose Clean Energy comments on the July 2024 Transmission Development Forum.

A deferred upgrade project at the Lugo – Victorville 500 kV Transmission Line is negatively impacting thousands of electric customers, multiple entities, and the State's clean energy goals. Specifically, as a direct result of the overdue transmission upgrade:

- Over 10 Maximum Import Capability branch groups are unable to be expanded
- Numerous renewable energy and storage projects integral to load serving entities now have uncertain deliverability dates, increasing the risk of missing critical reliability requirements
- San José Clean Energy is experiencing a multi-year delay for a long-term storage project
- The State's progress towards its renewable and zero carbon goals is stymied

The upgrade project was approved in the 2016-17 Transmission Planning Process with an estimated in-service date of December 31, 2018. Six years later, the upgrade remains unfinished, with no clear revised in-service date. Finalizing this transmission work is vital to the State, its residents, and business. As such, San José Clean Energy respectfully requests CAISO confirm a completion date of or 2027 or sooner.