

*Southern California Edison*  
***WSD-001 – Resolution WSD-001 to Establish Procedures for the Wildfire Safety Division's  
Review of 2020 Wildfire Mitigation Plans Pursuant to PUC Sections 8386 and 8386.3***

**DATA REQUEST SET W S D - S C E - 0 0 2**

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**Response Date: 3/10/2020**

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**Question 096 (SCE-43895-I-411):**

A. Item Index [For CPUC tracking purposes. Please reference this item index with the response provided.]

SCE-43895-I-411

B. Request Type

Request for additional specificity or clarification regarding information submitted in WMP or maturity survey

C. Relevant section of WMP (if applicable)

5.3.5

D. Relevant question in Maturity Survey (if applicable)

NA

E. Relevant meeting or call (if applicable)

NA

F. Specific Data request

In section 5.3.5.16.1, SCE states that “In 2019, SCE faced significant challenges with attracting and retaining ISA-certified professionals to perform assessments, given the high demand for arborists in California and nationally.”

a. How many ISA-certified professionals did SCE employ in 2019?

b. How many ISA-certified professionals is SCE intending to employ in 2020?

**Response to Question 096 (SCE-43895-I-411):**

a. In 2019, SCE contracted with 41 assessors, but not all at one time. The average number of assessors was 20, which was built into the 2020 scheduling model.

b. SCE is planning to use approximately 20 full-time equivalent ISA Certified Arborists in 2020.