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NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS REGARDING SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO CHANGE RATES FOR THE GENERAL RATE CASE PHASE 2

APPLICATION A.15-04-012

DATE: November 14, 2016 - TIME: 10 a.m. LOCATION: California Public Utilities Commission Commission Hearing Room 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is currently reviewing San Diego Gas & Electric Company's (SDG&E®) request to revise its electric rates in its second amended General Rate Case (GRC) Phase 2 Application (Application). The CPUC will hold Evidentiary Hearings (EHs) on SDG&E's Application at the time and place noted above. The assigned Administrative Law Judge (Judge) for this proceeding will facilitate these hearings. A Commissioner may be present during the designated times. The hearings are scheduled to take place on a daily basis (Monday–Friday) starting November 14 through November 18, 2016. If necessary, the hearings will resume on November 29 through November 30, 2016. The Judge may modify the schedule at a later date. Any modifications will be posted to the CPUC daily calendar. The hearings will be held in a hearing room at the CPUC, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102. At the evidentiary hearing, formal parties of record will participate and present their own testimony and legal arguments addressing SDG&E's GRC Phase 2 application.

INFORMATION ABOUT THIS APPLICATION

On February 9, 2016, SDG&E filed its second amended Application with the CPUC, asking for approval to change certain electric rates for its customers. The Application proposes no changes to total revenue because revenue increases were requested and considered in SDG&E's Phase 1 GRC (A.14-11-003), filed on November 14, 2014. The current application proposes to update how various costs related to electric distribution (the process of distributing energy at the local level, including to your home), electric generation (the cost of electricity), and public purpose programs (such as low income and energy efficiency programs) are assigned to different customer classes. Both electric distribution and generation rates are changed in this application. For electric distribution and generation costs, SDG&E is proposing to phase in these changes over a three year period to minimize the impact to customers. SDG&E's revised application also includes a proposal to adjust the high and low cost hours for customers on a time dependent or "time-of-use" electric rate. This application requests no changes to gas rates. The CPUC will consider whether these particular proposals are just and reasonable when it establishes new rates for SDG&E.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

You can obtain more information about this application from SDG&E by writing to Will Fuller, Regulatory Case Manager, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, 8330 Century Park Court, San Diego, CA 92123. You may also view a copy of the application on SDG&E's web site: http://www.sdge.com/sdge-2016-GRC-Phase-2

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Copies are also available to review at the CPUC's Central Files Office in San Francisco by appointment. For more information, please contact them at <u>aljcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov</u> or (415) 703-2045.

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At these EHs the assigned Judge will receive the testimony of SDG&E, consumer advocacy groups, and other parties to this proceeding. These hearings are open to the public but only those who are parties to the proceeding may present evidence, testimony, and be subject to cross-examination. The hearings and documents submitted during this proceeding will become part of the formal record that the Judge will rely upon in writing a proposed decision to present to the Commissioners for their consideration.

After considering all proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process, the assigned Judge will issue a proposed decision which may adopt SDG&E's proposal, modify it or deny it. Any of the five CPUC Commissioners may sponsor an alternate decision. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon at a scheduled CPUC Voting Meeting.

As a party of record, the Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) reviewed this application. ORA is the independent consumer advocate within the CPUC with a legislative mandate to represent investor-owned utility customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. ORA has a multi-disciplinary staff with expertise in economics, finance, accounting and engineering. For more information about ORA, please call (415) 703-1584, e-mail ora@cpuc.ca.gov or visit ORA's website at http://ora.ca.gov/default.aspx.

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Please reference "SDG&E's GRC Phase 2 (A.15-04-012)" in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter. All public comments will become part of the public correspondence file for this proceeding and made available for review for the assigned Judge, the Commissioners, and appropriate CPUC staff.