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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS  
REGARDING PROPOSED RATE INCREASES FOR  
SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY CUSTOMERS  
APPLICATION NO. 14-11-003**

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) would like to hear your comments about San Diego Gas & Electric Company's (SDG&E®) request to increase your rates beginning January 1, 2016. To do so, the CPUC invites you to attend a CPUC Public Participation Hearing (PPH) where you may comment or simply listen to what others in your community are saying. A CPUC Administrative Law Judge (Judge) will preside over the hearing. The CPUC Commissioners are invited to attend, but it is unknown at this time if any will attend. The CPUC has also asked SDG&E to provide customer service staff outside the hearing room, in case you would like to ask them questions about your bills.

Hearing locations are wheelchair accessible. If you need other arrangements, such as language interpretation, please contact the CPUC Public Advisor's Office at least five days before the hearing you are attending. The Public Advisor's Office contact information is noted below. The dates, times and locations of the PPHs follow:

<u>June 1, 2015</u> 1:00 pm & 6:00 pm	<u>ESCONDIDO</u> California Center for the Arts, Escondido Conference Center – Salon 1 Room 340 North Escondido Blvd. Escondido, CA 92025
<u>June 2, 2015</u> 1:00 pm & 6:00 pm	<u>OCEANSIDE</u> Oceanside Public Library Civic Center Library Community Room 330 North Coast Highway Oceanside, CA 92054

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<u>June 3, 2015</u> 1:00 pm & 6:00 pm	<u>EL CAJON</u> El Cajon City Council Chambers 200 Civic Center Way El Cajon, CA 92020
<u>June 10, 2015</u> 1:00 pm & 6:00 pm	<u>SAN DIEGO</u> Scottish Rite Event Center Square & Compass Rooms 1895 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108

### **SDG&E'S RATE INCREASE REQUEST**

On November 14, 2014, SDG&E filed with the CPUC their request to increase electric revenue requirement by \$119 million for 2016 and to increase gas revenue requirement by \$14 million for 2016. On March 25, 2015, SDG&E lowered its request to approximately \$97 million for electric revenue, but the gas revenue requirement remained unchanged at \$14 million. Although SDG&E is requesting an increase in electric and gas revenues for 2016, customers will see a simultaneous reduction in rates. This reduction is a result of the under collection from the delay in the final 2012 GRC (General Rate Case) decision. Overall, this represents a decrease of 1.0% in electric rates revenues and a decrease to an average monthly residential electric bill, using 500 kWh per month, of \$0.53. Regarding average gas bundled rates revenues, this represents a decrease of 0.8% from 2015 and a decrease to an average monthly residential gas bill, using 28 therms per month, of \$0.38. SDG&E's request is asking for increased revenue requirement to operate and provide electric and natural gas service to customers in a safe and reliable manner. Costs related to both electric distribution and gas operations service, in addition to related operating and maintenance expenses, depreciation expenses, taxes, and return on invested capital are part of this case. The cost of electric and natural gas commodity is not part of this case. Based on all the information presented in this proceeding, the CPUC will

determine reasonable rates for 2016. The CPUC will also decide on the reasonableness of SDG&E's proposed formula for adjusting its rates in 2017 and 2018.

## **INFORMATION REGARDING SDG&E'S GRC PROCEEDING**

For more information about SDG&E's GRC application filing, you may write to Charles Manzuk, Regulatory Affairs Department, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, 9305 Lightwave Ave., San Diego, CA 92123-1447. You may also view a copy of the application on SDG&E's website: <http://www.sdge.com/regulatory-filing/12931/sdge-grc-testimony-exhibit-list>.

Copies of this insert will be available for viewing and printing on the SDG&E website: <http://www.sdge.com/regulatory-notice>.

## **CPUC PROCESS**

This Application will be assigned to a Judge who will determine how to receive evidence and other related documents, necessary for the CPUC to establish a record upon which to base its decision. Evidentiary Hearings (EHs) may be held where parties of record will present their testimony and may be subject to cross-examination by other parties. These EHs are open to the public, but only those who are parties of record can participate. After considering all proposals and all evidence presented during the formal hearing process, the assigned Judge will issue a proposed decision determining whether to adopt all or part of SDG&E's request, modify it, or deny it. The CPUC Commissioners may sponsor an alternate decision and the issue will be decided at a scheduled CPUC Voting Meeting.

As a party of record, the Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) will review 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

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staff with expertise in economics, finance, accounting and engineering. Other parties of record will also participate in the CPUC's proceeding to consider this application. For more information about ORA, please call (415) 703-1584, e-mail [ora@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:ora@cpuc.ca.gov) or visit ORA's website at <http://ora.ca.gov/default.aspx>.

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