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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Investigation on )  
the Commission's own motion to )  
implement the Biennial Resource Plan )  
Update following the California )  
Energy Commission's Seventh )  
Electricity Report. )

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I.89-07-004  
(Filed July 6, 1989)

O P I N I O N

On July 2, 1990, Southern California Edison Company (SCE) posted its preliminary avoided cost energy prices for the quarter beginning August 1, 1990. The Cogenerators of Southern California (CSC) and the California Cogeneration Council (CCC) filed protests on July 20, 1990 and July 25, 1990, respectively.

CSC and CCC state that the grounds for these protests are the same as those filed in response to SCE's posting for the previous quarter, beginning May 1, 1990.<sup>1</sup> Specifically, CSC and CCC assert that SCE's energy prices were improperly derived using gas throughput assumptions never adopted by the Commission.

SCE responded to the protests on August 9, 1990. SCE reiterates its position that the gas volume used in these two quarterly postings represents the most recently adopted gas volumes.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See: Protests of CSC and CCC filed on April 30, 1990, and CSC's Reply filed on June 28, 1990.

<sup>2</sup> See: Responses of SCE filed on May 23, 1990 and July 18, 1990.

On September 12, 1990, we issued Decision (D.)90-09-064 denying CSC and CCC's protests to SCE's May 1, 1990 quarterly energy prices. In D.90-09-064, we concluded that SCE used the most recently adopted forecast of gas volume in its energy price calculations. These conclusions apply to the recent round of protests to SCE's energy price postings. Accordingly, CSC and CCC's protests are denied.

Findings of Fact

1. CSC and CCC filed protests to SCE's August 1, 1990 quarterly energy prices on July 20, 1990 and July 25, 1990, respectively.
2. On September 12, 1990, the Commission issued D.90-09-064 denying CSC and CCC's protests to SCE's May 1, 1990 quarterly energy prices.
3. The grounds for CSC and CCC's July protests were the same as those that CSC and CCC presented in their protests to SCE's May 1, 1990 posting.
4. D.90-09-064 concluded that, contrary to CSC and CCC's assertions, SCE used the most recently adopted forecast of gas volume in its energy price calculations.

Conclusions of Law

1. In D.90-09-064, the Commission addressed all issues raised by CSC and CCC in their protests to SCE's August 1, 1990 posting.
2. CSC and CCC's protests should be denied.

O R D E R

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the protests of the Cogenerators of Southern California and the California Cogeneration Council, filed on July 20, 1990 and July 25, 1990, respectively, are denied.

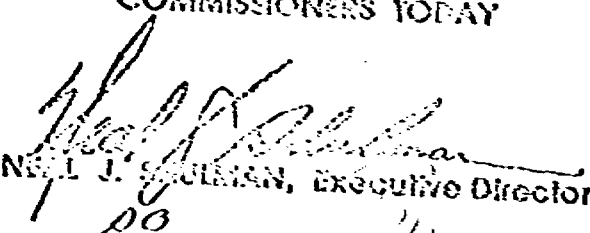
This order is effective today.

Dated NOV 09 1990, at San Francisco, California.

G. MITCHELL WILK  
President  
FREDERICK R. DUDA  
JOHN B. OHANIAN  
PATRICIA M. ECKERT  
Commissioners

Commissioner Stanley W. Hulett,  
being necessarily absent, did  
not participate.

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION  
WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE  
COMMISSIONERS TODAY

  
NEIL J. SULLIVAN, Executive Director