Decision No. 89991 FEB 14 1979

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY for authority to increase its base rates to recover increased expenditures made towards the development, purchase and testing of advanced energy conservation metering equipment.

Application No. 58481 (Filed November 21, 1978)

## ORDER DENYING REHEARING AND RECONSIDERATION AND MODIFYING DECISION NO. 89783

A petition for rehearing and reconsideration of Decision No. 89783 has been filed by Toward Utility Rate Normalization (TURN). Southern California Edison Company has filed a response thereto.

After consideration we are of the opinion that no good cause has been shown to grant rehearing. However, Decision No. 39783 should be modified to clarify our intentions with respect to making the authorized increase subject to refund.

## THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Decision No, 89783 is hereby modified by the addition of the following conclusions:
  - The increase should be made subject to refund so that if Edison actually expends less than \$1 million for the stated purposes the difference can be refunded to Edison's ratepayers.
  - 5. Edison should be ordered to report the actual expenditures increased for the purposes stated in its application.
- 2. The Order in Decision No. 89783 is hereby modified by adding the following ordering paragraph:

- 2. By February 1, 1980, Edison shall report to the Commission the actual expenditures incurred for the purposes stated in its application herein.
- 3. Rehearing and Reconsideration of Decision No. 89783 as modified hereinabove is hereby denied.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at Sea Francisco, California, this /// day
of FEBRUARY, 1979.

Commissioner Leonard M. Grimes, Ir, being necessarily absent, did not participate.

Commissioners