Decision No. <u>92029</u> JUL 15 990 BEFORE THE FUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA NAL IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY TO MODIFY DECISIONS 89783, 89850 and 89991, REGARDING EXTENSION OF OPERATION OF EDISON'S CONSERVATION LOAD MANAGEMENT ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (CLMAC)

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### ORDER MODIFYING DECISIONS NOS. 89783, 89850 AND 89991

By this application, Southern California Edison Company (Edison) requested the Commission to modify Decisions Nos. 89783, 89850 and 89991 to extend operation of Edison's Conservation Load Management Adjustment Clause (CLMAC) until such clause collects \$2 million. Edison proposed to continue its then existing CLMAC billing factor of 0.005¢/kwh which would produce revenues from other than lifeline customers at an annual rate of approximately \$1.4 million. This amount requested, which was over and above the \$1 million previously authorized by the above-mentioned decisions was needed to offset additional increases in expenditures associated with advanced energy conservation equipment known as "Energy Economizers." These devices were to be developed by an independent company named Energy Conservation Systems, Inc. (ECS) and are visual metering devices capable of providing residential and small commercial consumers a display of accumulated

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monthly charges. They are also capable of presenting monthly bills to customers and of being programmed to cycle appliance loads within the residence or business.

By Decision No. 91126, issued December 18, 1979, the Commission modified Decisions Nos. 89783, 89850 and 89991 to authorize Edison to continue the CLMAC charge of 0.003¢/kwh applied to all nonlifeline sales, except for Catalina Island until such time as \$2,000,000 had been collected or until July 31, 1980. Edison has filed no tariff notice with the Commission indicating that the CLMAC charge has been discontinued.

The Commission of of the opinion that Edison should be allowed to continue to collect the CLMAC charge beyond June 30, 1980, subject to all the provisions and restrictions contained in Decision No. 91126. However, the collection of further such sums should be limited to the amount of \$500,000 and in no event should such collection continue past December 31, 1980.

#### FINDINGS

1. The expenditure by Edison of any additional \$500,000 of revenues collected from ratepayers other than lifeline to finance continued design changes and modifications of the Energy Economizer is in the best interest of the ratepayers.

2. Such collections and expenditures should continue to be subject to all the conditions and restrictions contained in Decision No. 91126.

3. No hearing is necessary in this matter.

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### CONCLUSIONS

Edison should be authorized to continue the present
CLMAC charge of 0.003¢/kwh applied to all other than lifeline sales,
except for Catalina Island until such time as \$500,000 has been
collected, provided no such collections are billed for energy consumed
after December 31, 1980.

2. Edison should be authorized to spend not more than \$500,000 collected by the CLMAC provision to finance further design changes and modifications of the Energy Economizer.

3. Edison should be ordered to report the actual expenditure of the revenues authorized by this or previous decisions.

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IT IS ORDERED that Southern California Edison Company:

1. Modify Part J of its Preliminary Statement to show that the Conservation Load Management Adjustment Factor of 0.003¢/kWh for all sales other than lifeline is applicable through December 31, 1980 or until the sum of \$500,000 has been collected pursuant to said factor. The tariff filing shall be made within five days of the effective date of this order in compliance with General Order No. 96-A and shall become effective on the date of filing.

2. Shall report to this Commission on the status of the Energy Economizer program, no later than December 31, 1980 at the time total revenues of \$500,000 have been collected.

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3. Shall report to this Commission not later than December 31, 1980, and annually thereafter, any monetary benefits resulting from agreements with ECS and the status of loans made to ECS using ratepayer funds.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_\_ JUL 15 1980\_\_\_\_\_\_ at San Francisco,

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