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Decision 95-12-032 December 18, 1995

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of San Diego Gas & Electric Co.,)
to modify Decision 87745 to change)
the date of the required reports)
that are due annually for)
A-6TOU customers.)

Application 82-10-16
(Filed October 8, 1982)

ORIGINAL

ORDER MODIFYING DECISION 87745 AS MODIFIED BY D.83-02-067

On August 14, 1995, San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) petitioned the Commission to modify Decision (D.) 87745, dated August 23, 1977 (as modified by D.83-02-067, dated February 16, 1983). Specifically, SDG&E asks that the Commission strike Ordering Paragraph 5, thereby eliminating the requirement that SDG&E file an annual report evaluating the operation of rate Schedule A-6 Time-of-Use (TOU).

SDG&E's Schedule A-6 TOU was approved by the Commission in 1977 (see D.87745). Since then, SDG&E has provided electric service under this tariff to between 17 and 21 customers at any one time.

In addition to approving this rate, D.87745 also ordered SDG&E to file an annual report to aid the Commission in determining the overall effectiveness of A-6 TOU (and TOU rates in general) in influencing customers to shift their energy usage from on-peak to off-peak periods. Since 1977, this report has demonstrated continuously that A-6 TOU does encourage customers to shift loads in this positive manner. Accordingly, both SDG&E and the Commission have embraced the TOU concept in rates for a wide variety of customers. The value of TOU ratemaking is no longer at issue.

Given that the report has demonstrated the benefits of A-6 TOU for nearly 20 years, SDG&E believes that the purpose and intent of this report has been met and concludes that the resources used to produce this report could be put to better use. A copy of

SDG&E's petition was served on all appearances. There is no opposition to this petition. SDG&E believes that both the Division of Ratepayer Advocates and the Commission Advisory and Compliance Division endorse discontinuing the report. Due to the noncontroversial nature of this request, SDG&E asserts that hearings are unnecessary. We agree.

Findings of Fact

1. Ordering Paragraph 5 of D.87745 (as modified by D.83-02-067), requires SDG&E to file an annual report evaluating the operation of Schedule A-6 TOU.

2. The report is no longer needed.

Conclusion of Law

Paragraph 5 of D.87745 (as modified by D.83-02-067) should be rescinded.

IT IS ORDERED that Decision (D.) 87745 is modified to reflect the deletion of Ordering Paragraph 5 which reads:

- "5. SDG&E shall carry out the monitoring and evaluation procedures contained in Appendix B of the staff report in this proceeding. The required annual reports to the Commission shall be filed on or before March 1 following the prior calendar year." (D.87745, as modified by D.83-02-067.)

This order is effective today.

Dated December 18, 1995, at San Francisco, California.

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