

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EVALUATION & COMPLIANCE DIVISION  
Energy Branch

RESOLUTION E-2078  
April 2, 1986

RESOLUTION

ORDER AUTHORIZING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY (SCE) TO REVISE A PORTION OF ITS TIME-OF-USE SCHEDULE TOU-8 - GENERAL SERVICE LARGE IN COMPLIANCE WITH DECISION NO. 85-09-009

By Advice Letter 705-E, filed January 10, 1986, Southern California Edison Company requests authorization to revise a portion of its time-of-use schedule, TOU-8--General Service - Large. The facts are as follows:

1. SCE requests to revise Special Condition No. 6, Minimum Demand Charge, of Schedule No. TOU-8, General Service - Large, to provide that where a contract demand is established the monthly minimum demand charge shall not be less than \$500.00. A contract demand is established for all customers who newly request service under this rate.
2. This revision will reduce the number of small general service customers with demands under 200 kW who would benefit from a transfer to Schedule No. TOU-8. The potential for such transfers is created through the elimination of the current \$560.00 Customer Charge as part of the revisions to Schedule TOU-8 ordered by Decision No. 84-12-068 dated December 28, 1984, in SCE's general rate case Application No. 83-12-053 as modified by Decision No. 85-09-009.
3. By Decision No. 85-09-009 the Commission authorized and directed SCE to file with this Commission on January 1, 1986, revised time-of-use tariff Schedule TOU-8. The revised schedule implements the Commission's stated policy of moving towards a non-time-differentiated flat demand charge.
4. It is SCE's belief that in ordering such revisions to Schedule TOU-8, the Commission did not intend, or contemplate, expanding this time-of-use rate schedule, designed for large general

service customers with demands exceeding 500 kW, to include the smaller general service customers presently taking service under Schedule Nos. GS-1 and GS-2. These customers have only minimal potential to shift load to the off-peak period and, therefore, will contribute little or nothing toward reducing SCE's overall costs in serving this class of customers. To include such customers under Schedule TOU-8 could potentially adversely impact other ratepayers because of the revenue shift and SCE's increased costs due to installing, owning, and maintaining the more expensive metering equipment for these customers having lower usage and demand.

5. By establishing the \$500.00 minimum demand charge to be applicable to existing customers with contract demand and customers newly requesting service under Schedule TOU-8 transfers of customers having demands under 200 kW will be limited to only those who operate predominantly off-peak.

6. The annualized revenue impact of implementing a \$500.00 per month Minimum Demand Charge for those existing Schedule TOU-8 customer with contract demands is negligible since the total of the demand charge plus the Base Rate portion of the Energy Charge is already subject to a monthly Minimum Charge of \$560.00.

7. Existing customers taking service under Schedule TOU-8 and other ratepayers will not be impacted by this class change.

8. Except as noted above, this filing will not increase or decrease any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with other schedules or rules.

9. Public notification of this filing has been made by mailing copies to other utilities, governmental agencies and to all interested parties who requested such notification. The Commission staff has received no protests in this matter.

10. The staff of the Energy Branch of the Evaluation and Compliance Division has reviewed this filing and recommends its approval.


11. We find that SCE's request to revise Special Condition 6, Minimum Demand Charge, of Schedule TOU-8, General Service-Large is reasonable and should be approved.

**THEREFORE;**

1. Southern California Edison Company is authorized by Section 454 of the Public Utilities Code and Section X.A. of General Order 96-A to place the above advice letter into effect today.

2. The above Advice Letter 705-E and accompanying tariff sheets shall be marked to show that they were authorized for filing by Commission Resolution E-2078. This resolution is effective today.

I certify that this resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on April 2, 1986. The following Commissioners approved it:

  
Executive Director

DONALD VIAL  
President  
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Commissioners