PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMISSION ADVISORY AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION Environmental & Energy Advisory Branch RESOLUTION E-3284 July 1, 1992

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RESOULTION E-3284. REQUEST OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY TO RECORD IN A MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE INVESTIGATION AND CLEANUP OF THE CORONA MANUFACTURED GAS PLANT SITE IN CORONA, CA;

BY ADVICE LETTER 941-E, FILED ON APRIL 15, 1992.

SUMMARY

- 1. Southern California Edison Company (Edison) filed Advice Letter 941-E on April 15, 1992 requesting authority to record up to \$92,000 for costs associated with conducting a Preliminary Endangerment Assessment (PEA) at the Corona Manufactured Gas Plant Site in Corona, CA. Edison requests that authority to record these costs remain in effect until December 31, 1993.
- 2. This Resolution approves the authority of Edison to record up to \$92,000 in a memorandum account for costs associated with conducting a PEA at the Corona site.

BACKGROUND

- 1. The Corona site is located at 633 Railroad Street, Corona, CA. The site was purchased by a predecessor company to Edison in 1947 and Edison currently maintains an electric substation on the site. A manufactured gas plant operated on the site from the early 1900s through the early 1920s.
- 2. In March 1991, the Department of Health Services issued a letter to Edison directing them to conduct a PEA for the Corona site.
- 3. Edison received a proposal from ABB Environmental Services, Inc. to prepare a PEA. The proposal estimates the total project cost at \$57,925.

DISCUSSION

1. The Commission Advisory and Complance Division (CACD) has reviewed Advice Letter filling 941-E. Edison has satisfied

the information requirements for hazardous waste advice letter filings as specified in D. 89-07-039. These information requirements include (1) a directive or order to perform the work, (2) a work plan or schedule, and (3) a detailed budget.

- 2. CACD recommends appproval of Edison's request for authority to record \$92,000 in a memorandum account for expenses associated with conducting a PEA for the Corona site.
- Authorization to record PEA expenses for the Corona site should be subject to the usual conditions of hazardous waste advice letters, that is, the costs recorded in that account should be subject to reasonablenes review and not placed into rates until ordered by the Commission. Also, Edison should be allowed to accrue interest at the three-month commercial paper rate for expenses recorded in the account.

PROTESTS

1. No protests to Advice Letter 942-E were received.

PINDINGS

- 1. Edison's Advice Letter 941-E satisfies the informational requirements for hazardous waste advice letter filings.
- 2. Edison should be authorized to record up to \$92,000 in a memorandum account for expenses associated with the Corona Manufactured Gas Plant site.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Southern California Edison Company is authorized to record in a memorandum account up to \$92,000 for expenses associated with conducting a Preliminary Endangerment Assessment at the Corona Manufactured Gas Plant site in Corona, CA.
- 2. Authorization to record these expenses will remain in effect until December 31, 1992.
- 3. Expenses recorded in the account shall be consistent with documents submitted in Advice Letter 941-E. These costs shall be subject to a reasonableness review and shall not be placed into rates until ordered by the Commission.
- 4. Edison shall be authorized to accrue interest at the three-month commercial paper rate on amounts booked into the memorandum account.
- 5. This Resolution if effective today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on July 1, 1992. The following Commissioners approved it:

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