

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMISSION ADVISORY  
AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION  
Energy Branch

RESOLUTION G-2907  
March 14, 1990

R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION G-2907. SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY (SDG&E)  
AUTHORIZED TO REVISE ITS GAS METER PERFORMANCE CONTROL PROGRAM.

BY ADVICE LETTER 702-G, FILED JANUARY 10, 1990.

SUMMARY

1. SDG&E requests authority to revise its Gas Meter Performance Control Program (Program) by including meters in the 300 cubic feet per hour (cfh) to 500 cubic feet per hour range in its Program. Implementing the requested revision will result in minor cost savings.
2. This resolution approves SDG&E's request.

BACKGROUND

1. SDG&E removes, tests, and repairs for later reuse small domestic gas meters (up to 300 cfh) in accordance with a statistical sampling program. This is in lieu of periodic testing of each meter. The presently effective Program was authorized by Resolution G-1426 dated December 10, 1968.
2. SDG&E's requested revision would expand the scope of its Program to include commercial gas meters up to, and including, 500 cubic feet per hour rated capacity. Such meters could then remain in service beyond the 10 - year limit set by Commission General Order 58-A. The present Program includes only domestic meters with capacity up to, and including, 300 cubic feet per hour.
3. Section 13.c of General Order 58-A allows a program such as this to be implemented: "Under certain conditions utilities may be authorized to deviate from Section 13.a. and use a statistical meter control program based on meter performance as demonstrated by sample testing in lieu of periodic testing of each meter. Applications to deviate shall be based on accepted principles of statistical sampling."

NOTICE

1. In accordance with Section III-G of General Order 96-A, SDG&E sent copies of its filing to eighty parties, including competing and adjacent utilities and interested parties requesting such notification. Notice of the filing of Advice Letter 702-G was published in the Commission calendar on January 19, 1990. No protests were received.

DISCUSSION

1. The Commission Advisory and Compliance Division reviewed SDG&E's requested revisions and concludes that the proposed change will enhance its Program by reducing annual costs by an estimated \$69,000, while ensuring that meter accuracy is maintained.

2. Authority for this Program is given under General Order 58-A as discussed above.

FINDINGS

1. The requested revision of SDG&E'S Program will reduce costs while maintaining meter accuracy for meters with a capacity up to and including 500 cubic feet per hour.

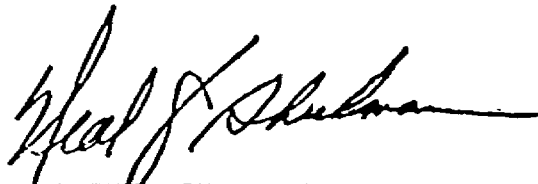
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. San Diego Gas & Electric Company is authorized to revise its Gas Meter Performance Control Program as requested by Advice Letter 702-G.

2. This Resolution is effective today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on March 14, 1990. The following Commissioners approved it:

G. MITCHELL WILK  
President  
FREDERICK R. DUDA  
STANLEY W. HULETT  
JOHN B. OHANIAN  
PATRICIA M. ECKERT  
Commissioners

  
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Executive Director