

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ENERGY DIVISION

RESOLUTION G-3220
SEPTEMBER 3, 1997

R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION G-3220. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY (EDISON) REQUESTS REVISION OF ITS TARIFFS TO REFLECT AN INCREASE IN THE SANTA CATALINA ISLAND GAS COST ADJUSTMENT BILLING FACTORS (GCABFs). THE REVISED GCABFs ARE CALCULATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN THE PRELIMINARY STATEMENT, PART F, SANTA CATALINA ISLAND GAS COST ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE, OF EDISON'S TARIFFS AS AUTHORIZED IN COMMISSION DECISION NO. 82-04-010. EDISON'S REQUEST IS GRANTED.

BY ADVICE LETTER 106-G, FILED ON JULY 18, 1997.

SUMMARY

1. Southern California Edison Company (Edison) seeks an increase in the Santa Catalina Island Gas Cost Adjustment Billing Factors (GCABFs). This Advice Letter (AL) is filed in conformance with Decision (D.) 82-04-010. The GCABFs are calculated in accordance with the Gas Cost Adjustment Clause (GCAC) of Edison's tariffs.
2. The GCAC revenue requirement reflects forecasted gas expenses for the period July 1, 1997 through August 31, 1998 and amortization of the estimated July 1, 1997 balance in the GCAC balancing account over the Forecast Period. The GCAC revenue requirement calculated is \$492,694, an increase of \$42,128. Recovery results in a 4.8% rate increase to the total system revenue requirement.
3. There are no protests to AL 106-G.
4. This Resolution approves Edison's AL 106-G.

BACKGROUND

1. Edison provides natural gas service to 1,285 metered customers on Santa Catalina Island. Edison purchases Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) to serve these customers.
2. D.82-04-010 authorized Edison to submit GCAC filings by Advice Letter on a six-month basis with March 1 and September 1 as the regularly scheduled revision dates.
3. Edison requests a revenue rate increase of 4.8% to present rates. The GCABFs were last revised in Resolution G-3206, March 18, 1997, from AL 105-G.

NOTICE

1. Public notice of this advice letter was made by publication in the Commission calendar, and by Edison's mailing copies to other utilities, governmental agencies, and all interested parties who requested notification.

PROTESTS

1. No protests to AL 106-G have been filed.

DISCUSSION

1. The AL is a routine filing and requests an increase to recover forecasted gas cost increases and the amortization of the Gas Cost Adjustment Account balance. Edison's request to increase the GCABFs will result in a total system average revenue change of 4.8% from present rates.
2. We find Edison's request reasonable and will approve the new rates as contained in AL 106-G.

September 3, 1997

FINDINGS

1. Edison filed Advice Letter 106-G on July 18, 1997, requesting an increase in Santa Catalina Island GCABFs.
2. The GCAC revenue requirement increase of \$42,128 consists of \$36,890 for underestimated fuel costs and \$5,238 for undercollections in the balancing account.
3. Edison's request is reasonable.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Edison's Advice Letter 106-G is approved and the rates contained therein are effective today.
2. This Resolution is effective today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on September 3, 1997. The following Commissioners approved it:


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