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Pursuant to Rule 11.1 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Southern California Gas Company ("SCG") and San Diego Gas & Electric Company ("SDG&E") (jointly, "SCG/SDG&E") hereby respond to the August 27, 2010 motion to amend the procedural schedule filed by Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E"). PG&E's motion was filed in response to the August 25, 2010 *Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Regarding the Process to Address the August 20, 2010 Motion for Approval of Gas Accord V Settlement Agreement* ("August 25 Ruling"). Specifically, PG&E seeks to clarify the August 25 Ruling so that the rebuttal period set forth by the Commission's August 18, 2010 ruling on SCG/SDG&E's own motion to amend the procedural schedule (filed August 13, 2010) would not be shortened to 10 days as a result of the process set by the August 25 Ruling.

SCG/SDG&E do not oppose PG&E's proposed amended schedule. However, SCG/SDG&E would also like to seek clarification of the August 25 Ruling though this response. The August 25 Ruling states on page 1: "[t]he Gas Accord V Settlement Agreement, which was attached to the joint motion, proposes to settle all of the issues in this proceeding except for two

issues. The two issues that have not been settled pertain to issues that are of concern to [SDG&E] and [SoCalGas]." SCG/SDG&E seek clarification that the August 25 Ruling does not pre-determine that there are only two contested issues in this proceeding. SCG/SDG&E previously identified no less than four additional issues of concern in their Prehearing Conference Statement, which the Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") received at the prehearing conference held on December 2, 2009. At this juncture, SCG/SDG&E have identified, and plan to address, more than two issues in their testimony. SCG/SDG&E may address specific provision or provisions contained in the Gas Accord V settlement agreement itself.

SCG/SDG&E may also address issues which are not contained in the Gas Accord V settlement agreement but are nonetheless within the scope of this proceeding. In addition, in SCG/SDG&E's August 13, 2010 motion to amend the procedural schedule, which the ALJ approved (on August 18, 2010), SCG/SDG&E stated that issues may arise in the course of reviewing and performing discovery on the Gas Accord V settlement that will be addressed in testimony. SCG/SDG&E are still in the process of performing discovery on the settlement.

In short, SCG/SDG&E respectfully seek clarification that the August 25 Ruling does not preclude or limit SCG/SDG&E from addressing in testimony the issues in this proceeding that may impact them and their ratepayers, and from conducting hearings on those issues, whether those hearings pertain to the adoption of the Gas Accord V settlement, contested issues outside that settlement, or a combination of both.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing RESPONSE OF

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COMPANY TO AMEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE by electronic mail to all parties to this proceeding and by Federal Express to Commissioner Simon and Administrative Law Judge Wong.

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 30th day of August 2010.

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