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San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) and Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas or SCG), pursuant to Rules 11.1 and 7.4 of the California Public Utilities Commission's (Commission's) Rules of Practice and Procedure, jointly move for consolidation of their separate General Rate Case (GRC) applications to revise their respective base rate revenue requirements. This motion is being filed with regard to SDG&E's GRC Application (A.) 10-12-005 and SoCalGas' GRC A.10-12-006, which were both filed on December 15, 2010.<sup>1</sup>

SoCalGas and SDG&E have filed individual GRC applications seeking to revise their base rate revenue requirements effective January 1, 2012, and seeking authority to establish a formula to adjust their respective revenue requirements for 2013 through 2015. The GRC applications do not propose joint rates or a single common revenue requirement; therefore, SoCalGas and SDG&E did not file a joint application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In their prior GRCs, SDG&E and SoCalGas also moved to consolidate their proceedings on December 8, 2006, concurrently with the filing of their respective GRC applications. However, on December 12, 2006, the Commission's Docket Office rejected that motion as untimely, and required the motion to be filed with assigned proceeding numbers. Accordingly, SDG&E and SoCalGas are filing this joint motion to consolidate in a timely manner, having each received an assigned proceeding number (A.10-12-005 and A.10-12-006, respectively).

Rule 7.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure provides that proceedings involving related questions of law or fact may be consolidated. Both GRC applications present many closely related questions of law and fact. The two utilities share certain services provided by their parent company, Sempra Energy; both utilities are proposing similar base rate ratemaking frameworks, with differences generally only because SDG&E offers both gas and electric service while SoCalGas offers only gas service; and a considerable number of applicants' witnesses are the same for the two applications. Thus, consolidation would promote efficiency and avoidance of conflicts in the scheduling of testimony.

Finally, SDG&E and SoCalGas note that consolidation is consistent with prior Commission practice. In SDG&E's and SoCalGas' most recent GRC proceedings, the Commission consolidated A.06-12-009 and A.06-12-010, citing the reasons mentioned above.

THEREFORE, SDG&E and SoCalGas respectfully request that the Commission consolidate these two GRC applications for the reasons provided herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify, that pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, I have this day served a true and correct copy of the JOINT MOTION OF SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY (U 902 M) AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY (U 904 G) FOR CONSOLIDATION OF THEIR GENERAL RATE CASE APPLICATIONS to the parties indicated in the service list for Application Nos. 10-12-005 and 10-12-006 (in addition to the parties listed in the last GRC, Consolidated Application Nos. 06-12-009 and 06-12-010). Those parties without an email address were served by placing copies in properly addressed and sealed envelopes and depositing such envelopes in the United States Mail with first-class postage prepaid.

Executed this 16th day of December, 2010 at Los Angeles, California.

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