

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Southern
California Gas Company (U904G) for
Approval of Low- Income Assistance
Programs and Budgets for Program Years
2012-2014

(U 904 G)

Application 11-05-018
(Filed May 16, 2011)
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NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

In accordance with Rules 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, and 8.5 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”), the Division of Ratepayer Advocates (“DRA”) submits this notice of the following ex parte communication.

The communication occurred in connection with the applications filed on May 15, 2011 by San Diego Gas & Electric Company (“SDG&E”), Southern California Gas Company (“SoCalGas”), Pacific Gas and Electric Company (“PG&E”), and Southern California Edison Company (“SCE”) (collectively referred to as the “Joint Utilities”) for approval of their Low-Income programs and budgets for the Program Years (“PY”) 2012-2014.¹

The communication took place on Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. at the Commission headquarters in San Francisco, and was between Colette Kersten, Advisor to Commissioner Sandoval and DRA representatives Cheryl Cox, DRA’s Policy Advisor,

¹ The Applications have not yet been consolidated. Therefore, four copies of the instant notice will be filed and served for each separate application and will consist of each parties’ specific caption and application number. Furthermore, a copy will be served to the service list for the former consolidated proceeding, A.08-05-025, *et al.*

Camille Watts-Zagha, DRA's Low Income Project Coordinator. The communication was telephonic, was initiated by Ms. Kersten, and lasted about thirty-minutes.

Ms. Watts-Zagha and Ms. Cox informed Ms. Kersten that DRA believed that the California Alternative Rates for Energy (CARE) and the Energy Saving Assistance (ESA) programs should be bifurcated in the current application process because the programs are 1) so different from one another and program improvements would be more effective if focused on their particular needs and 2) because the ESA program requires more time to improve the current program design so that they can be more effective in both reaching customers and in achieving energy savings.

DRA did not provide any written documents at the meeting. Copies of this Notice may be obtained by contacting Sue Muniz at (415) 703-1858 or sam@cpuc.ca.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

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