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ADVICE LETTER 2213-E-A (U902-E)

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL FILING: ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EL DORADO TRANSITION COST MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (EDTCMA)

San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) hereby submits for approval the following revisions to its electric tariffs as shown in the enclosed Attachment A.

PURPOSE

In compliance with Commission Decision (D.) 07-11-046, SDG&E filed Advice Letter (AL) 2213-E on December 3, 2010 to establish the El Dorado Transition Cost Memorandum Account (EDTCMA), as discussed below. Ordering Paragraph (OP) 2 of Commission Resolution E-4406 issued on July 15, 2011 required SDG&E to supplement AL 2213-E to include specific language in the Disposition section of the EDTCMA Tariff. This supplemental filing replaces AL 2213-E in its entirety.

BACKGROUND

Commission D.07-11-046, issued November 19, 2007, approves the application of SDG&E to exercise an option to purchase a 480MW combined cycle power plant ("Plant"), located in Nevada, from El Dorado Energy, LLC. SDG&E will exercise this option in October, 2011. The decision also approves SDG&E's proposed framework for recovery of costs related to owning and operating the Plant. Pursuant to Commission D.07-11-046 and compliance with D.04-12-048, the Commission authorized SDG&E to utilize the Non Fuel Generation Balancing Account (NGBA) to record the authorized operations and maintenance (O&M) and capital-related non fuel revenue requirements associated with new turnkey/utility owned generation plants once ownership is transferred. Although SDG&E won't assume ownership of the plant until October 2011, there is a substantial amount of work that must be performed before that date to integrate the facility into the utility business and security systems to ensure a seamless operational transition when SDG&E takes ownership of the plant expected in October 2011.

Unfortunately, the majority of the Plant's business systems are incompatible with those utilized by SDG&E. The maintenance management system, accounting programs, inventory control, payroll, network security, data loggers, energy control program, CAISO communications, document management, fuel procurement program, performance monitoring, etc. must all be transitioned to SDG&E as close as possible to the ownership transfer date. The effort to make this transition will take at least a year and must be undertaken immediately to avoid interruption of services and provide seamless delivery of power to SDG&E customers. The El Dorado facility will adopt SDG&E's business processes, yet retain their current PI servers and vibration and emissions monitoring equipment as those are compatible with the utility.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EL DORADO TRANSITION COST MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (EDTCMA)

SDG&E requests to establish a new memorandum account, El Dorado Transition Cost Memorandum Account (EDTCMA), to record the operations and maintenance (O&M) costs of this transition effort occurring prior to SDG&E taking ownership of the Plant. The capital costs will remain in CWIP (Construction Work in Progress) until transferred into rate base when the plant is placed into service for SDG&E.

Consistent with D.07-11-046, SDG&E proposes to record incremental O&M costs associated with integrating the El Dorado power plant into SDG&E's business and security systems prior to taking ownership of the plant in October 2011 to the EDTCMA¹. Pursuant to OP 2 of Resolution E-4406, this amount will not exceed \$884,000 plus interest.

EFFECTIVE DATE

SDG&E believes this filing is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 1 (effective upon filing) pursuant to GO 96-B and OP 2 of Resolution E-4406. SDG&E respectfully requests that this filing be effective August 9, 2011 -- the date filed.

PROTEST

Anyone may protest this Advice Letter to the California Public Utilities Commission. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based, including such items as financial and service impact, and should be submitted expeditiously. The protest must be made in writing and must be received within 20 days of the date this Advice Letter was filed with the Commission, or August 29, 2011. There is no restriction on who may file a protest. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

CPUC Energy Division Attention: Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

¹ SDG&E anticipates incremental costs including data conversion, training, network/security, data file preparation, minor equipment, and application support to total approximately \$600,000.

Copies of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of both Honesto Gatchalian (inj@cpuc.ca.gov) and Maria Salinas (mas@cpuc.ca.gov) of the Energy Division. A copy of the protest should also be sent via both e-mail and facsimile to the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission.

Attn: Megan Caulson Regulatory Tariff Manager 8330 Century Park Court, Room 32C San Diego, CA 92123-1548 Facsimile No. (858) 654-1788 E-mail: MCaulson@semprautilities.com

NOTICE

A copy of this filing has been served on the utilities and interested parties shown on the attached list, including parties in R.06-02-013, by either providing them a copy electronically or by mailing them a copy hereof, properly stamped and addressed.

Address changes should be directed to SDG&E Tariffs by facsimile at (858) 654-1788 or by email at SDG&ETariffs@semprautilities.com.

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Attachments

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY ENERGY UTILITY

MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)				
Company name/CPUC Utility No. SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC (U 902)				
Utility type:	Contact Person: Megan Caulson			
⊠ ELC ☐ GAS	Phone #: (858) <u>6</u>	554-1748		
☐ PLC ☐ HEAT ☐ WATER	E-mail: csondrin	i@semprautilities.com		
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE (Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)				
ELC = Electric GAS = Gas PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat W	VATER = Water			
Advice Letter (AL) #: 2213-E-A				
Subject of AL: <u>Supplemental Filing</u> Account (EDTCMA)	: Establishment o	f the El Dorado Transition Cost Memorandum		
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing)	: Memorandun	n Account		
AL filing type: Monthly Quarter	rly 🗌 Annual 🛛 🤇	One-Time Other		
If AL filed in compliance with a Comm				
D.07-11-046 and Resolution E-440	5	,		
Does AL replace a withdrawn or reject	eted AL? If so, idea	ntify the prior AL <u>N/A</u>		
Summarize differences between the A	AL and the prior w	ithdrawn or rejected AL¹:N/A		
Does AL request confidential treatme	nt? If so, provide o	explanation:N/A		
Resolution Required? Yes No		Tier Designation: 🛛 1 🔲 2 🔲 3		
Requested effective date: 8/9/2011 No. of tariff sheets: 3				
Estimated system annual revenue eff	Fect: (%): N/A	<u> </u>		
Estimated system average rate effect (%):N/A				
When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).				
Tariff schedules affected: Preliminary Statement Memo Account (EDTCMA) and Table of Contents				
Service affected and changes proposed ¹ : N/A				
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: N/A				
Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this filing, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:				
CPUC, Energy Division	5	San Diego Gas & Electric		
Attention: Tariff Unit		Attention: Megan Caulson		
505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102		3330 Century Park Ct, Room 32C San Diego, CA 92123		
mas@cpuc.ca.gov and jnj@cpuc.ca.gov		ncaulson@semprautilities.com		

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

General Order No. 96-B ADVICE LETTER FILING MAILING LIST

cc: (w/enclosures)

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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

III. MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS EL DORADO TRANSITION COST MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (EDTCMA)

- 1. <u>Purpose:</u> The purpose of the El Dorado Transition Cost Memorandum Account is to record the incremental operations and maintenance (O&M) costs associated with integrating the El Dorado power plant into SDG&E's business and security systems prior to taking ownership of the plant in October 2011. Decision (D.)07-11-046 approves SDG&E's request to exercise its option to purchase the El Dorado power plant and its proposed cost recovery related to owning and operating the plant.
- 2. <u>Applicability</u>: This account shall apply to the Utility's bundled service customers.
- 3. Rates: The EDTCMA does not have a separate rate component.
- 4. <u>Accounting Procedure:</u> The Utility shall maintain the EDTCMA by recording entries at the end of each month as follows:
 - a. A debit entry to record incremental O&M costs incurred to integrate the El Dorado power plant into SDG&E's business and security systems including but not limited to maintenance management system, accounting programs, inventory control, accounts payable, payroll, employee benefits, network security, data loggers, energy control program, CAISO communications, document management, fuel procurement program, phone system, performance monitoring, training, and other administrative expenses.
 - b. An entry equal to the interest on the average of the balance at the beginning of the month and the balance after the above entries in 4.a, at a rate equal to one-twelfth of the interest rate on three- month commercial paper for the previous month, as reported in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, H.15 or its successor.
- 5. <u>Disposition:</u> The balance in the EDTCMA will be transferred to the Non-fuel Generation Balancing Account (NGBA) upon the El Dorado power plant in-service date. The balance transferred from the EDTCMA to the NGBA shall not exceed \$884,000 plus interest.

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