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## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY (U 904 G) and SAN DIEGO GAS AND ELECTRIC (U 902 M)

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In accordance with Rule 8.3 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and

Procedure, Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) and San Diego Gas and

Electric (SDG&E) hereby gives notice of the following Ex Parte communication in the

above proceeding.

On Thursday, October 6, 2011, at 5:00 p.m., Brian Prusnek, Director of

Regulatory Affairs, had a phone call with Sepideh Khosrowjah, Chief of Staff to

Commissioner Florio. The communication was initiated by SoCalGas and SDG&E to

discuss the approval of a memorandum account in Rulemaking (R.) 11-02-019. The

phone call lasted approximately 10 minutes. Communication was oral.

Mr. Prusnek discussed SoCalGas and SDG&E's motion for authority to create a memorandum account to track incremental expenses that were not anticipated or included in the companies' most recent General Rate Cases (GRCs). The costs to be recorded in

this memo account will be directly attributable to SoCalGas' and SDG&E's efforts to comply with the directives and orders issued by the CPUC in the pipeline safety OIR, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) recommendations incorporated in the OIR as well as any other legislative mandates related to pipeline safety that may become effective prior to our next GRC.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011 at San Francisco, California.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Brian C Prusnek

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