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**ADVICE LETTER 2106-G** (U 902-G)

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PIPELINE SAFETY AND RELIABILITY MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (PSRMA) PURSUANT TO DECISION 12-04-021

San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) hereby submits for filing the following revisions to its gas tariffs as shown on the attachment.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this advice filing is to request approval from the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) to revise SDG&E's Gas Preliminary Statements, Section V (Memorandum Accounts), and establish a Pipeline Safety and Reliability Memorandum Account pursuant to Ordering Paragraph (OP) 3 of Decision (D.) 12-04-021.

### **BACKGROUND**

On April 19, 2012, in D.12-04-021, the Commission, among other things, adopted the transfer of the reasonableness and ratemaking review of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan (PSEP) proposed by SDG&E and Southern California Gas Company from Rulemaking (R.) 11-02-019 to their pending Triennial Cost Allocation Proceeding (TCAP) Application (A.) 11-11-002, and authorizes the establishment of a memorandum account for both companies as described below.

#### **PSRMA**

Pursuant to OP 3 of D.12-04-021, SDG&E is establishing the PSRMA to record for later Commission ratemaking consideration the total, fully loaded and escalated costs of implementing its PSEP and costs associated with the review of records and implementation of interim safety measures, as described in Attachment A and B, respectively, filed in its January 13, 2012 comments supporting the transfer of the PSEP to the TCAP and providing further detail on its proposed memorandum account. Specifically, the PSRMA will record incremental costs incurred during the first 12 months of implementing the PSEP, the costs associated with the review of records in compliance with Commission Resolution L-410, and the implementation of interim safety measures. The disposition of the PSRMA balance will be addressed in SDG&E's 2013 TCAP. SDG&E anticipates implementing it PSEP beginning June 1, 2012.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

SDG&E believes this filing is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 2 (effective after staff approval) pursuant to GO 96-B. This filing is consistent with D.12-04-021 and therefore SDG&E respectfully requests that this filing be approved and effective on May 20, 2012, which is 30 days after 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 no later than May 10, 2012, which is 20 days of the date this Advice Letter was filed with the Commission. There is no restriction on who may file a protest. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

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

Copies of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of the Energy Division at <a href="mailto:EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov">EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov</a>. It is also requested that a copy of the protest 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) 654-1879

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### **NOTICE**

A copy of this filing has been served on the utilities and interested parties shown on the attached list, including interested parties to service list R.11-02-019 and A.11-11-002, 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) 654-1879 or by e-mail at SDG&ETariffs@semprautilities.com.

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Advice Letter (AL) #: 2106-G				
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Pursuant to Decision	12-04-021			
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing):	Memorandum Ac	count		
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D.12-04-021				
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Requested effective date: <u>5/20/2012</u>		No. of tariff sheets: <u>4</u>		
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Service affected and changes proposed¹: 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				
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### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

# V. MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS DESCRIPTION/LISTING OF ACCOUNTS

#### Listing of Accounts

Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA)

Core Reclassification Shortfall Memorandum Account (CRSMA)

Liquefied Natural Gas Service Tracking Account (LNGSTA)

Self-Generation Program Memorandum Account (SGPMA)

FERC Settlements Proceeds Memorandum Account (FSPMA)

Gain/Loss on Sale Memorandum Account (GLOSMA)

California Institute for Climate Solutions (CICSMA)

Energy Efficiency 2009-2011 Memorandum Account (EEMA)

Natural Gas Appliance Testing Memorandum Account (NGATMA)

Wildfire Expense Memorandum Account (WEMA)

Disconnect Memorandum Account (DMA)

California Solar Initiative Thermal Program Memorandum Account (CSITPMA)

Environmental Fee Memorandum Account (EFMA)

General Rate Case (GRC) Memorandum Account (GRCMA)

2012 – 2014 Energy Savings Assistance Programs Memorandum Account (ESAPMA)

Pipeline Safety and Reliability Memorandum Account (PSRMA)

NOTE: For information relating to the Hazardous Substance Memorandum Account (HSMA), which is part of the Hazardous Substance Cleanup Cost Account (HSCCA), see Section VIII.

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## V. MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS PIPELINE SAFETY AND RELIABILITY MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (PSRMA)

### 1. Purpose

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The purpose of the PSRMA is to record the incremental costs associated with compliance with the Commission's directives in Rulemaking 11-02-019. In Decision (D.) 12-04-021, the Commission directs SDG&E to file this advice letter to create a memorandum account to record the escalated direct and incremental overhead costs of implementing its proposed Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan (PSEP), as well as the costs associated with the review of records and interim safety measures. Should cost estimates for implementing the PSEP and reviewing records increase by more than 10%, SDG&E will file a Tier 1 advice letter notifying the Commission of such increased costs.

### 2. Applicability

This account shall apply to all gas customers, except those specifically excluded by the Commission.

### 3. Rates

See Disposition Section.

### 4. Accounting Procedures

The Utility shall maintain the PSRMA by recording entries at the end of each month as follows, net of FF&U where applicable:

- a. A debit entry equal to the actual incremental costs (i.e., O&M and capital-related costs such as depreciation, income taxes and return) associated with the PSEP costs incurred during the implementation of its PSEP;
- b. A debit entry equal to the incremental costs associated with the review of records performed in compliance with Commission Resolution L-410 and implementation of interim safety measures, pursuant to D.12-04-021;
- An entry equal to the amortization of the PSRMA balance as authorized by the Commission;
   and
- d. An entry equal to the interest on the average of the balance at the beginning of the month and the balance after the entries above, 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 publication.

### 5. Disposition

The disposition of this account will be addressed in a Commission decision in SDG&E's 2013 Triennial Cost Allocation Proceeding (Application 11-11-002) or other future Commission decisions.

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