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Deadline for SCE GRC**

As the assigned Commissioner at the California Public Utilities Commission to the 2012 Southern California Edison (SCE) General Rate Case (A.10-11-015), today at our Voting Meeting we issued a Decision that extends the deadline for this proceeding to October 30, 2012, as allowed by Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5(a).

The reason for the extension is due to the January 26, 2012, Public Participation Hearing (PPH) to receive comments regarding the consequences of a severe windstorm November 30-December 1, 2011, in Southern California, which resulted in hundreds of thousands of SCE customers losing power. SCE's revenue request in this proceeding includes funding for customer communications, equipment inspection and maintenance, and emergency service restoration activities. After the PPH, SCE filed responses to questions raised by the CPUC related to SCE's windstorm response. Also, two of the San Onofre nuclear facilities operated by SCE have been shut down since January 2012, which impacts SCE's requested revenue requirement related to those facilities. Due to the weight of information, including new information in 2012, the Proposed Decision has taken additional time to prepare.

The Scoping Memo for the proceeding was issued on March 1, 2011. Therefore, the 18-month deadline for resolving these proceedings is August 31, 2012. A Proposed Decision is expected to be mailed by that date. The 60-day extension of the statutory deadline until October 30, 2012, is necessary to give the CPUC time to deliberate on the Proposed Decision.

My office, with the assigned Administrative Law Judge, is working to issue a decision at the earliest feasible date.

The proposal voted on today is available at
http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/WORD_PDF/AGENDA_DECISION/172727.PDF.

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