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Pursuant to Rule 1.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the National Asian American Coalition, Latino Business Chamber of Greater Los Angeles, Ecumenical Center for Black Church Studies, and the Chinese American Institute for Empowerment (hereinafter "Joint Parties") hereby respectfully request to be granted party status in this proceeding. The National Asian American Coalition and the Latino Business Chamber of Greater Los Angeles have been involved in numerous cases before the California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC").

All of our efforts will be coordinated amongst ourselves, since we recognize that the opportunities for success are dependent upon recognition of our mutual interests. In addition, we will seek coordination with all parties seeking to ensure and enhance greater opportunities for underserved consumers, minorities, and where possible, general consumer interests.

I. Joint Parties' Areas of Interest

The nature of the Joint Parties' involvement in this investigation will be related to the reasonableness and prudence of both Southern California Edison ("SCE") and San Diego Gas & Electric's ("SDG&E") response to the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station ("SONGS") as it relates to community outreach and overall ratepayer education.

Under Public Utilities Code Section 451, the Commission is required to ensure that "every public utility shall furnish and maintain such adequate, efficient, just, and reasonable service, instrumentalities, equipment, and facilities . . . as are necessary to promote the safety, health, comfort, and convenience of its patrons, employees, and the public."¹ The Joint Parties seek to contribute their expertise to aid the Commission in its review of the reasonableness of SCE and SDG&E's post-shutdown actions, as they involve those communities proximate to SONGS and statewide. This comports with the Scoping Memo's aim to investigate those matters which relate to the health and comfort of surrounding communities, particularly any and all costs associated with the shutdown.

The Joint Parties seek an evaluation of the safety plans, education programs, and outreach efforts which were implemented following the SONGS shut down, and will work to evaluate the reasonableness and efficacy of those plans, especially as they concern communities of color and low income areas.

These issues take on a heightened importance due to the concerns and misinformation surrounding nuclear power, as well as in the context of the San Bruno gas line explosion. The National Asian American Coalition, which is headquartered in San Bruno, is keenly aware of the

¹ Pub. Util. Code § 451.

emotional and psychological toll that an infrastructure malfunction and utility error can exact on surrounding residents. It is in everyone's interest that these consequences be addressed by companies who maintain and operate those facilities, and accordingly, the actions of SCE and SDG&E post-shutdown merit attention.

II. Parties and Service Request

Service of notices, orders, and other correspondence in this proceeding should be directed to the Joint Parties' counsel and representatives at the addresses set forth below:

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