BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Integrate and Refine Procurement Policies and Consider Long-Term Procurement Plans.

Rulemaking 12-03-014 (Filed March 22, 2012)

NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

Pursuant to Rules 8.2(c), 8.3, and 8.5 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA) gives notice of the following oral and written *ex parte* communications. The first one occurred on January 16, 2013 at approximately 4 p.m. in the Commission's San Francisco office and lasted approximately thirty minutes. DRA initiated the communications with Commission President Michael Peevey's advisor Damon Franz. Attending the meeting on behalf of DRA were Cheryl Cox, Nika Rogers, Radu Ciupagea and Diana Lee.

DRA explained that it generally supported the current proposed decision (PD) authorizing Southern California Edison Company (SCE) to procure resources to meet local capacity reliability (LCR) needs. As explained in the attached handout distributed at the meeting, the Commission should modify the PD:

- Limit SCE's procurement authority for the Los Angeles Basin to 1500 megawatts
 (MW) and revisit LCR need in 2014;
- Eliminate the 1000 MW floor for conventional gas-fired generation to comply with the Loading Order; and
- Postpone procurement of Big Creek/Ventura Resources until the 2014 long-term procurement proceeding.

On January 13, 2013 at approximately 5:30 p.m Ms. Lee called Mr. Franz and spoke for about five minutes. Ms. Lee stated that DRA would not oppose SCE's request for increased procurement authority of up to 2370 megawatts (MW), as long as the Commission required that SCE clearly establish the need for the additional procurement above the 1500 MW

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