

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMISSION ADVISORY AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION
Energy Branch

RESOLUTION E-3373
February 16, 1994

R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION E-3373. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY REQUEST REVISING THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATE DISCOUNT OF ITS TARIFF SCHEDULES TOU-8, TOU-8-SOP, TOU-8-RTP, TOU-8-SOP-RTP AND REVISIONS IN FORM NO. 14-524 TO REFLECT THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 740.7 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE.

BY ADVICE LETTER 1026-E DATED NOVEMBER 17, 1993.

SUMMARY

1. Southern California Edison Company (Edison) requests revision of its Tariff Schedules TOU-8 (General Service - Large), TOU-8-SOP (Super Off-Peak), TOU-8-RTP (Real Time Peak), TOU-8-SOP-RTP, and Form No. 14-524 (Economic Development Rate Agreement) to reflect the provisions of Section 740.7 of the Public Utilities Code (PU Code).
2. No protest has been received by the Commission Advisory and Compliance Division for Advice Letter (AL) 1026-E.
3. This Resolution grants the request because it conforms to PU Code Section 740.7 and is beneficial to the California economy.

BACKGROUND

1. The Economic Development Rate Discount Special Conditions [Discount Provision] were established on June 23, 1992 by Resolution E-3280 in response to Edison's Advice Letter [AL] 937-E. The Advice Letter was filed to implement the provisions of the recently enacted Section 740.4 of the PU Code which allowed the Commission to authorize public utilities to engage in programs that encourage economic development.
2. The Discount Provision applies at present to new and non-governmental customers with demands over 500 kW who establish new operations within enterprise zones designated by the State of California under the Employment and Economic Incentive Act. The Discount Provision offers those customers a three year declining discounted rate.

3. Section 740.7 of the PU Code was added on October 11, 1993 through Assembly Bill No. 2072. It allows the Commission to authorize public utilities to provide services at discounted rates in enterprise zones to new customers located on all military bases that are scheduled to be closed.

NOTICE

1. Edison served notice of AL 1026-E by mailing copies to other utilities, government agencies, and all parties that requested such information. Notice of the advice letter was published in the Commission calendar.

PROTESTS

1. The Commission Advisory and Compliance Division (CACD) has received no protest to AL 1026-E.

DISCUSSION

1. PU Code Section 740.7 is an extension of PU Code 740.4.

2. By enacting PU Code Section 740.7, the California Legislature has expanded the use of the discounted rate incentive of Section 740.4 for economic development purposes, and has expressed its continuing desire for utilities to play a role in fostering the State's economic vitality.

3. Edison has requested authority to revise the above tariff schedules to reflect the mandate of PU Code 740.7. It will provide the economic development rate discount to new customers located within a federal military base that is scheduled to be closed. The new customers must intend to continue as customers after base closure.

4. To implement PU Code 740.4, Resolution E-3280 established a closing date of December 31, 1993 for program participation, and a program expiration date of December 31, 1998. To accommodate PU Code 740.7, the closing dates for program participation and expiration are changed to December 31, 1995 and December 31, 2000. These dates are similar to the changes in participation and expiration dates of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Schedule ED, Experimental Economic Development Rate, as requested in its AL 1439-E filed on July 30, 1993 in accordance with Decision 93-06-087.

5. Edison also requests to revise Form No. 14-524, the Economic Development Rate Agreement, to reflect the expanded applicability of the Discount Provision as authorized in Resolution E-3280.

6. Consistent with Finding No. 8 in Resolution E-3280, any revenue shortfall resulting from these revisions to the Discount

Provision is to be borne by all ratepayers through the operation of the appropriate balancing accounts.

7. The Commission Advisory and Compliance Division has reviewed AL 1026-E and finds it in compliance with PU Code 740.7.

FINDINGS

1. PU Code 740.7 has been enacted to promote the economic and social welfare of the State.
2. PU Code 740.7 allows the Commission to allow public utilities to provide services at discounted rates in enterprise zones to businesses with demands over 500 kW who are located on federal military bases that are scheduled to be closed.
3. To reflect the provisions of PU Code 740.7, Edison proposes to revise tariff schedules TOU-8, TOU-8-SOP, TOU-8-RTP, TOU-8-SOP-RTP, and Form 14-524.
4. The closing date for the expanded Discount Provision program participation is December 31, 1995. The expiration date of the program is December 31, 2000.
5. Revenue shortfalls from revisions to the Discount Provision are to be borne by all ratepayers through the operation of the appropriate balancing account.
6. AL 1026-E is in compliance with PU Code 740.7.

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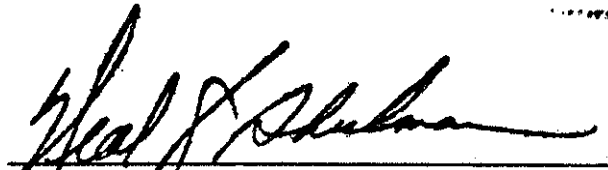
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Southern California Edison Company is authorized to file revised tariff schedules TOU-8, TOU-8-SOP, TOU-8-RTP, TOU-8-SOP-RTP and Form No. 14-524 to reflect the provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 740.7.

This Resolution is effective today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on February 16, 1994.

The following Commissioners approved it:



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