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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMISSION ADVISORY AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION ENERGY BRANCH RESOLUTION E-3111 October 26,1988

RESOLUTION

ORDER AUTHORIZING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY (EDISON) TO MODIFY RATE SCHEDULES NOS. I-5, RTP, TOU-8 AND TOU-8-SOP TO BE CONSISTENT WITH TARIFF RESTRUCTURING IN ITS GENERAL RATE CASE DECISION NO. 87-12-066.

ADVICE LETTER 803-E FILED SEPTEMBER 13, 1988

SUMMARY

Edison requests authorization to revise rate Schedule Nos. I-5, TOU-8 and TOU-8-SOP, to add language to establish the Minimum Demand Charge, and Schedule No. RTP, which changes the Voltage Discount percentage. The revisions are intended to make these schedules consistent with the tariff restructuring in Edison's General Rate Case Decision (D).87-12-066. This resolution grants the request.

DISCUSSION

- 1. By Advice Letter 803-E, filed September 13, 1988, Edison requests authorization to revise rate Schedule Nos. I-5, RTP, TOU-8 and TOU-8-SOP to be consistent with the tariff restructuring in D.87-12-066. The changes requested should have been made at the time Edison's Test Year 1988 General Rate Case D.87-12-066 was issued, but they were overlooked.
- 2. The Minimum Demand Charge shown in Special Condition No. 6, in Schedule Nos. I-5 (General Service Large Interruptible), TOU-8 (Time-of-Use General Service Large), and TOU-8-SOP

(General Service - Large Super Off-Peak), were overlooked when changes were made in the level and structure of the other demand charges in these rate schedules. This request modifies the language to show that where a Contract Demand Charge is established, the monthly Minimum Demand Charge shall be \$1.00 per kilowatt of Contract Demand, except where service is delivered and metered at voltages above 50 kV it shall be \$0.25 per kilowatt of Contract Demand.

- 3. The Minimum Demand Charge is intended to assure that some monthly contribution is made to the fixed cost for subtransmission customers. It is inconsistent to continue to charge \$1.00/kW Minimum Demand charge, in light of the \$0.25/kW level adopted in D.87-12-066.
- 4. The Voltage Discount shown in Special Condition No. 4, in Schedule No. RTP (General Service Large, Experimental, Real Time Pricing) was similarly overlooked. This schedule was originally authorized on March 25, 1987, by Resolution No. E-3020. This Resolution stated, in part, "SCE is designing the real time rates to be revenue neutral with the current Schedule No. TOU-8 General Service Large, for an average TOU-8 customer."
- 5. To satisfy this design criterion, Edison originally designed the hourly RTP rates to be revenue neutral for an average TOU-8 customer taking service at voltages below 2 kV (secondary). Edison then established an appropriate voltage discount for RTP customers taking service at voltages from 2 kV and 50 kV. The Voltage Discount was designed to be revenue-neutral to the discount the customer would have received had the customer remained on Schedule No. TOU-8.
- 6. Schedule No. RTP is modified by changing the Voltage Discount percentage from 2.7% to 6.3%, for customers served at voltages from 2 kV through 50 kV. This change is needed to preserve revenue neutrality between the RTP rate and the TOU-8 rate for primary voltage customers approved by D.87-12-066. In addition, the 6.8% Voltage Discount for customers served at voltages above 50 kV is eliminated since Schedule No. RTP currently has no customers in this category and was closed to new customers as of January 1, 1988 by D.87-12-066.
- 7. The revenue impact of the requested changes in the Minimum Demand Charge for customers served at voltages above 50 kV (Subtransmission), and in the Voltage Discount for customers served under Schedule No. RTP at voltages from 2 kV to 50 kV (Primary) is summarized below:

Decrease due to change in RTP Voltage Discount Decrease due to change in Minimum Demand Charge for Subtransmission Voltage

\$125,797 \$132,790

\$258,587

- 8. The cost data which supports the proposed Minimum Demand Charge for customers served at subtransmission voltages is the same as that which the Commission relied upon in D.87-12-066 in setting standby and non-time-related demand charges for subtransmission customers. Therefore, The Commission Advisory and Compliance Division believes the \$0.25 per kW monthly Minimum Demand Charge for subtransmission customers requested by Edison is reasonable.
- No protests were received regarding this advice letter.

FINDINGS

- 1. Edison's request to modify its rate Schedule Nos. I-5, RTP, TOU-8 and TOU-8-SOP, as discussed above, is reasonable.
- 2. The revisions make these schedules consistent with the tariff restructuring in Edison's General Rate Case Decision 87-12-066.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Southern California Edison Company, as requested by Advice Letter 803-E, is authorized to revise its rate Schedule Nos. I-5, TOU-8 and TOU-8-SOP by modifying additional language to establish the Minimum Demand Charge and Schedule No. RTP by changing the Voltage Discount percentage as described above.
- 2. Advice Letter 803-E, and accompanying tariff sheets shall be marked to show that they were authorized by Resolution E-3111.

This resolution is effective today.

I certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on October 26, 1988. The following Commissioners approved it:

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