PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION

UTILITIES DIVISION BRANCH/SECONFOR: Gas DATE: June 25, 1974

RESOLUTION NO. G-1644

_____Director _____Numerical File _____Alphabetical File _____Accounting Officer

SUBJECT: Order Authorizing Increase In Deposit Required for Service

WHEREAS: SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY by Advice Letter No. 310-G, filed May 29, 1974, requests authority under Section 454 of the Public Utilities Code to revise Rule No. 7, Deposits, to reflect a change in the amount of deposit that may be required to establish credit for domestic service, as set forth on Cal. P.U.C. Sheets Nos. 1647-G to 1649-G, inclusive, and

WHEREAS: The revision requested would increase the amount of deposit required for prospective domestic customers from \$2.50 per applicant to an amount equal to twice the estimated average monthly bill for service when the applicant is unable or unwilling to establish credit under Rule No. 6, and

WHEREAS: The revision also establishes a minimum deposit provision of \$5.00 for domestic as well as non-domestic service, and

WHEREAS: These revisions to Rule No. 7 will make it similar to the deposit rules of other large California utilities and thus improve uniformity, and

WHEREAS: The utility estimates that this filing will assist it in recovering approximately \$10,000 of the estimated \$120,000 that is written off annually as bad debts due to uncollectible gas bills, thereby partially relieving an unfair burden on other ratepayers, and

WHEREAS: We find the increases to be justified; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that authority be granted under Section 454 of the Public Utilities Code to make the above sheets effective on June 28, 1974.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the **above** sheets be marked to show that they were **i**ssued under Resolution of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California No. G-1644.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly introduced, passed and adopted at a regular conference of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, held on the ____25th day of ____June____, 19__74_, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon: