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UTILITIES DIVISION

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SUBJECT: San Diego Gas & Electric Company and The Historical Shrine Foundation of San Diego County. Order Authorizing Exemption from Economic Regulatory Administration (ERA) Prohibition of Natural Gas Use for Outdoor Lighting.

WHEREAS: The Historical Shrine Foundation of San Diego County asks for an exemption from the Federal prohibition of outdoor lighting with natural gas for its gas lights at the Whaley House in San Diego. The exemption comes under Section 516.44 of the Economic Regulatory Administration's Final Rule, "Sale and Direct Industrial Use of Natural Gas for Outdoor Lighting" (10 CFR Part 516).

The Commission administers ERA's rule in this case under 10 CFR Section 516.11(g). In particular, administration of this rule includes the authority to grant exemptions from the rule under Section 516.40.

The Historical Shrine Foundation is a non-profit organization which operates the Whaley House in San Diego's Historic Old Town. The Whaley House is a cultural and educational institution owned by the County of San Diego.

The eight gas lights protect the Whaley House from burglaries and vandalism and provide an authentic illumination system for the neighborhood's 1860's environment. San Diego Gas & Electric Company supplies the gas for the lights under their GR rate schedule. A replacement electrical system would cost an estimated \$7,000. The staff recommends granting the exemption because replacement would not be cost justified, the gas lighting has historical significance, and the lighting is required for the safety of persons and property.

WHEREAS: We find the requested exemption reasonable; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. San Diego Gas & Electric Company is granted an exemption from the provisions of Section 516.21 of the above-described rule, under Sections 516.11(g) and 516.30(b) of that rule, and under Section 701 of the Public Utilities Code, for the facilities described in the Historical Shrine Foundation's letter dated October 21, 1979.
2. This resolution is effective on the date adopted.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was introduced, and adopted at a regular conference of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, held on the 20th day of November, 19 79, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon:

 Executive Director