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July 23, 2003

**ADVICE 121-G**  
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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
ENERGY DIVISION

**SUBJECT:** Increase in Santa Catalina Island Gas Cost Adjustment  
Billing Factors

Southern California Edison Company (SCE) hereby transmits for filing the following changes to its gas tariff schedules applicable to Santa Catalina Island. The revised tariff sheets are listed on Attachment A and are attached hereto.

**PURPOSE**

This advice filing revises SCE's gas tariffs to reflect an increase in the Santa Catalina Island Gas Cost Adjustment Billing Factors (GCABFs) due to an increase in recorded and forecast cost of gas. The revised GCABFs are calculated in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Preliminary Statement, Part F, Santa Catalina Island Gas Cost Adjustment Clause (GCAC), of SCE's gas tariffs as authorized in California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) Decision (D.) 82-04-010.

**INFORMATION**

In D.82-04-010, Ordering Paragraph 2, the Commission authorized SCE to submit GCAC filings by advice letter every six-month period with March 1 and September 1 as the regularly scheduled revision dates. SCE's GCABFs were last revised effective March 1, 2003, as filed in Advice 118-G, dated January 20, 2003.

The GCABFs established herein are based on the total GCAC revenue requirement which reflects: 1) gas expense for the Forecast Period of September 1, 2003 through August 31, 2004; and 2) amortization of the estimated September 1, 2003 balance in the GCAC balancing account over the

Forecast Period. Table 1 (attached) sets forth the calculation of the GCAC balancing account revenue requirement and the fuel revenue requirement.

SCE's current and revised GCABFs for Santa Catalina Island are listed below:

	<u>Current \$/Therm</u>	<u>Revised \$/Therm</u>
Domestic Baseline Service	.80520	.84538
Domestic Nonbaseline Service	.66774	.71395
Other Than Domestic Service	.92206	.97266

This advice filing allocates the revenue increase to Domestic and General Service customers on a System Average Percentage Change (SAPC) basis. This is consistent with the allocation adopted by the Commission in SCE's previous GCAC filings.

The increase in annualized revenues resulting from these changes in rates, based on the therms estimated to be sold during the Forecast Period, is as follows:

	Revised Revenue Change From Present Rates		
<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Therms</u>	<u>\$ Thousands</u>	<u>%</u>
Domestic	316,000	13.3	3.2
General Service	396,000	20.0	3.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>712,000</b>	<b>33.3</b>	<b>3.2</b>

Ordering Paragraph 5 of D.82-04-010 requires SCE to show the method used to calculate the transportation charges for delivery of the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) to Santa Catalina Island. SCE does not calculate this charge. All LPG is purchased from the supplier freight on board (FOB) Santa Catalina Island, and as such, the transportation charge is included in the total cost of the LPG. Table II (attached) sets forth the historical quantity and cost of LPG to SCE for the 12-months ended June 2003, which includes transportation charges. The average price of LPG is also shown by month, and for the 12-month period.

Section 8 of Part F in the Preliminary Statement of SCE's tariffs is also revised to reflect the GCABFs set forth on the applicable rate schedules in this advice filing.

This advice filing results in a price increase, but does not result in a withdrawal of service, or more restrictive conditions.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This rate change is requested to be effective for service rendered on and after September 1, 2003, pursuant to D.82-04-010.

**NOTICE**

Anyone wishing to protest this advice filing may do so by letter via U.S. Mail, facsimile, or electronically, any of which must be received no later than 20 days after the date of this advice filing. Protests should be mailed to:

IMC Program Manager  
c/o Jerry Royer  
Energy Division  
California Public Utilities Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 4002  
San Francisco, California 94102  
Facsimile: (415) 703-2200  
E-mail: [jjr@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:jjr@cpuc.ca.gov)

Copies should also be mailed to the attention of the Director, Energy Division, Room 4004 (same address above).

In addition, protests and all other correspondence regarding this advice letter should also be sent by letter and transmitted via facsimile or electronically to the attention of:

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There are no restrictions on who may file a protest, but the protest shall set forth specifically the grounds upon which it is based and shall be submitted expeditiously.

In accordance with Section III, Paragraph G, of General Order No. 96-A, SCE is mailing copies of this advice filing to the interested parties shown on the attached service list. Address change requests should be directed to [AdviceTariffManager@sce.com](mailto:AdviceTariffManager@sce.com) or at (626) 302-3985. For changes to all other service lists, please contact the Commission's Process Office at (415) 703-2021 or by electronic mail at [Process\\_Office@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov).

Further, in accordance with Public Utilities Code Section 491, notice to the public is hereby given by filing and keeping the advice filing open for public inspection at SCE's corporate headquarters. To view other SCE advice letters filed with the Commission, log on to SCE's web site at <http://www.sce.com/adviceletters>.

Notice of this advice filing is being posted in SCE's Santa Catalina Island office and other conspicuous places in SCE's service territory on Santa Catalina Island. In addition, a notification will be published in the next issue of the Santa Catalina Island weekly newspaper.

For questions, please contact Jill Holmes at (626) 302-4962 or [Jill.Holmes@sce.com](mailto:Jill.Holmes@sce.com).

**Southern California Edison Company**

Akbar Jazayeri

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Enclosures

TABLE I

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY

CALCULATION OF THE SANTA CATALINA ISLAND GCAC REVENUE REQUIREMENT

FOR A SEPTEMBER 1, 2003 REVISION DATE 1/

Line No.	Component	Amount (\$)
1.	<u>GAS COST FORECAST</u>	
2.	Forecast Cost 2/	657,038
3.	Plus: 1.256% for Franchise Fees and Uncollectibles	<u>8,357</u>
4.	Expense Allowance	
5.	Forecast Gas Revenue Requirement	665,395
6.	<u>BALANCING ACCOUNT ESTIMATE</u>	
7.	Forecast Balance in the GCAC Balancing Account as of	
8.	September 1, 2003	(26,887)
9.	Plus: 1.256% for Franchise Fees and Uncollectibles	<u>(342)</u>
10.	Expense Allowance	
11.	GCAC Balancing Account Revenue Requirement	<u>(27,229)</u>
12.	GCAC Revenue Requirement	638,166
13.	(line 5 + line 11)	
<p>1/ Based on the 12-month Forecast Period beginning September 1, 2003 and a 12-month amortization of the estimated GCAC Balancing Account Balance on September 1, 2003.</p>		
<p>2/ Based on an estimated usage of: 809,391 gallons</p>		

**TABLE II**  
**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY**  
**SANTA CATALINA ISLAND GCAC**  
**RECORDED MONTHLY PURCHASES OF LPG FUEL AND TRANSPORTATION COSTS**

Line No.	Month	Monthly Purchases of LPG (Gallons)	LPG Delivered Price, FOB Avalon, Catalina (\$/gallon) 1/	Total Cost (\$)
		(1)	(2)	(3)
	<b><u>2001</u></b>			
1.	JULY	78,579	0.580	45,596
2.	AUGUST	61,955	0.581	36,016
3.	SEPTEMBER	61,945	0.706	43,711
4.	OCTOBER	70,349	0.838	58,938
5.	NOVEMBER	53,556	0.836	44,765
6.	DECEMBER	52,562	0.895	47,069
7.	<b><u>2002</u></b>			
8.	JANUARY	62,951	0.903	56,823
9.	FEBRUARY	62,991	0.952	59,959
10.	MARCH	61,107	1.031	62,974
11.	APRIL	98,456	0.871	85,731
12.	MAY	71,321	0.764	54,502
	JUNE	71,913	0.695	49,966
13.	TOTAL - 12 Months			
14.	Ending June 30, 2003	807,685	0.800	646,050

1/ Price includes transportation charges. Sales not subject to California Sales Tax.

2/ Source: Monthly Fuel Commitment Statement.

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
Revised 651-G	Preliminary Statement Part F	Revised 610-G
Revised 652-G Revised 653-G	Schedule G-1 Schedule G-1	Revised 611-G Revised 612-G
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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

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F. SANTA CATALINA ISLAND GAS COST ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (GCAC) (Continued)

8. Gas Cost Adjustment Billing Factors (GCABF). The Average Cost Adjustment Rate shall be adjusted so that increases or decreases in the rate are applied in an equitable manner to each type of service. The application of the GCABF to sales shall be as set forth on the applicable rate schedule. The GCABF listed below have been, or are, in effect for the period indicated:

Gas Cost Adjustment Billing Factors \$/Therm

Applicable to Domestic and General Service

<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Applicable to Baseline Service</u>	<u>Applicable to Nonbaseline Service</u>	<u>Applicable to General Service</u>
July 15, 1987	\$0.4874	\$0.6834	\$0.6834
September 1, 1987	\$0.4522	\$0.6331	\$0.6331
March 1, 1988	\$0.3478	\$0.4870	\$0.4870
September 1, 1988	\$0.4016	\$0.5598	\$0.5598
November 1, 1988	\$0.41415	\$0.53548	\$0.55980
March 1, 1989	\$0.41122	\$0.52908	\$0.55293
September 1, 1989	\$0.41122	\$0.43782	\$0.51398
March 1, 1990	\$0.43947	\$0.43782	\$0.53712
September 1, 1990	\$0.48063	\$0.44806	\$0.57525
March 1, 1991	\$0.54643	\$0.53688	\$0.66704
September 1, 1991	\$0.57293	\$0.50696	\$0.67608
March 1, 1992	\$0.58654	\$0.52430	\$0.69446
September 1, 1992	\$0.57377	\$0.41906	\$0.64018
March 1, 1993	\$0.44863	\$0.27259	\$0.47927
September 1, 1993	\$0.50413	\$0.33755	\$0.55012
March 1, 1994	\$0.55771	\$0.40026	\$0.61740
September 1, 1994	\$0.49525	\$0.31111	\$0.53251
March 1, 1995	\$0.47931	\$0.29279	\$0.51242
March 13, 1996	\$0.53620	\$0.35820	\$0.58408
September 1, 1996	\$0.59558	\$0.42649	\$0.65878
March 1, 1997	\$0.65353	\$0.49314	\$0.73173
September 1, 1997	\$0.70752	\$0.55522	\$0.79968
March 1, 1998	\$0.69115	\$0.53639	\$0.77903
September 1, 1998	\$0.54827	\$0.37209	\$0.59871
March 1, 1999	\$0.50562	\$0.32304	\$0.54503
September 1, 1999	\$0.49673	\$0.31281	\$0.53383
March 1, 2000	\$0.64184	\$0.47969	\$0.71840
September 1, 2000	\$0.80571	\$0.66814	\$0.92532
March 1, 2001	\$1.05189	\$0.95125	\$1.23626
September 1, 2001	\$1.22332	\$1.14840	\$1.45212
March 1, 2002	\$0.94005	\$0.82264	\$1.09441
September 1, 2002	\$0.47609	\$0.28907	\$0.50697
March 1, 2003	\$0.80520	\$0.66774	\$0.92206
September 1, 2003	\$0.84538	\$0.71395	\$0.97266 (N)

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Revised Cal. PUC Sheet No. 652-G  
Cancelling Revised Cal. PUC Sheet No. 611-G

Schedule G-1  
SANTA CATALINA ISLAND  
DOMESTIC SERVICE

Sheet 1

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to domestic service of liquefied petroleum gas-air to a single-family accommodation or dwelling.

TERRITORY

The City of Avalon, and vicinity, Santa Catalina Island.

RATES

	<u>Per Meter</u>	
	<u>Per Day</u>	
Customer Charge:		
For 175 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$0.132	
For 305 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$0.229	
For 400 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$0.301	
For 675 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$0.508	
For 1,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$0.752	
For 2,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$1.504	
For 3,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$2.256	
For 4,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$3.008	
For 5,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$3.760	
Energy Charge (To be added to Customer Charge):		
Baseline Service, per therm .....	\$1.13525	(I)
Nonbaseline Service, per therm .....	\$1.30554	(I)

The rates above include Base Rates and the applicable Adjustment Rates as shown below:

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Schedule G-1  
SANTA CATALINA ISLAND  
DOMESTIC SERVICE

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ENERGY CHARGE COMPONENTS

Base Rates:

Baseline Service, per therm .....	\$0.28788
Nonbaseline Service, per therm .....	\$0.58960

Adjustment Rates:

Gas Cost Adjustment Billing Factor:

Baseline Service, per therm .....	\$0.84538	(I)
Nonbaseline Service, per therm .....	\$0.71395	(I)

PUC Reimbursement Fee, per therm .....	\$0.00199
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The Gas Cost Adjustment Rate is described in Part F of the Preliminary Statement.  
The PUC Reimbursement Fee is described in Schedule No. RF-G.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. Minimum Customer Charge: Service to customers shall be on an annual basis only with an annual Minimum Customer Charge of 365 times the applicable daily Customer Charge rate payable monthly, or as billed by the Company.
2. Seasonal Service: For summer cottage customers and others who normally require service for only part of the year, this schedule is applicable only on an annual contract.
3. Baseline Service: The rates above are subject to Baseline Service provisions which are described in Part E of the Preliminary Statement. The applicable baseline quantity of gas to be billed under rates designated as Applicable to Baseline Service shall be the total of any Medical Baseline Allocation permitted under Part E, Paragraph 4 of the Preliminary Statement, plus the applicable daily baseline allocation shown below by Season and Time Period.

<u>Season</u>	<u>Time Period</u>	<u>Therms Per Meter</u> <u>Day</u>
Winter	November 1 through April 30	1.348
Summer	May 1 through October 31	0.526

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Schedule G-2  
SANTA CATALINA ISLAND  
GENERAL SERVICE

Sheet 1

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to general service of liquefied petroleum gas-air.

TERRITORY

The City of Avalon, and vicinity, Santa Catalina Island.

RATES

	<u>Per Meter</u>	
	<u>Per Day</u>	
Customer Charge:		
For 175 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$0.132	
For 305 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$0.229	
For 400 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$0.301	
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For 1,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$0.752	
For 2,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$1.504	
For 3,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$2.256	
For 4,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$3.008	
For 5,000 cubic feet per hour meter .....	\$3.760	
Energy Charge (To be added to Customer Charge):		
All therms, per therm .....	\$1.61289	(l)

The rates above include Base Rates and the applicable Adjustment Rates as shown below:

ENERGY CHARGE COMPONENTS

Base Rates:

    All Therms, per therm .....

	\$0.63824	
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Adjustment Rates:

    Gas Cost Adjustment Billing Factor, per therm .....

	\$0.97266	(l)
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    PUC Reimbursement Fee, per therm .....

	\$0.00199	
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The Gas Cost Adjustment Rate is described in Part F of the Preliminary Statement. The PUC Reimbursement Fee is described in Schedule No. RF-G.

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