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Reference: Revision to DL-NBC, Departing Load Nonbypassable Charges, and Schedule
CGDL-CRS, Customer Generation Departing Load Cost Responsibility Surcharge

Dear Mr. Jazayeri:

Advice Letter 1829-E is effective November 7, 2004. A copy of the advice letter and resolution are included herewith for your records.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Clanon".

Paul Clanon, Director
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September 28, 2004

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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
ENERGY DIVISION

SUBJECT: Revision to DL-NBC, Departing Load Nonbypassable
Charges and Schedule CGDL-CRS, Customer Generation
Departing Load Cost Responsibility Surcharge

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

PURPOSE

This advice filing revises SCE's Schedule DL-NBC, Departing Load Nonbypassable Charges and Schedule CGDL-CRS, Customer Generation Departing Load Cost Responsibility Surcharge to make them consistent with SCE's Preliminary Statement Part W, Departing Load Responsibility, with respect to how the amount of consumption to be billed as Departing Load is determined.

BACKGROUND

The Commission authorized SCE to establish Schedule DL-NBC, Departing Load Nonbypassable Charges in Decision (D.) 97-09-056 dated September 3, 1997, and Schedule CGDL-CRS Customer Generation Departing Load Cost Responsibility Surcharge in D.03-04-030 dated April 3, 2004, and Resolution 3831-E dated July 8, 2004. SCE established Schedule DL-NBC in Advice 1253-E and Schedule CGDL-CRS in Advice 1700-E-B.

In general, Departing Load is that portion of SCE's customer's electric load for which the customer discontinues or reduces its purchases of electricity supply

and delivery services from SCE and replaces the reduced amount from some other source. SCE customers pay certain charges which are not bypassable. In Schedule DL-NBC, these charges are the Nuclear Decommissioning Charge (NDC), Public Purpose Programs Charge (PPPC), and Fixed Transition Amount Charge (FTAC). In CGDL-CRS, these charges are the Departing Load Customer's DWR Bond Charge, Historic Procurement Charge (HPC), Competition Transition Charge (CTC) and DWR Power Charge.

Except for the exceptions specified in Schedules DL-NBC and CGDL-CRS, the customer cannot avoid paying the charges listed above when all or a portion of a customer's electric load departs.

Preliminary Statement Part W (Part W), which initially defined Departing Load, was established prior to Schedule DL-NBC and Schedule CGDL-CRS. Part W describes Departing Load data as being based on reliable metered data. Meter reliability is described as that which is pursuant to SCE's Rule 17 and the Direct Access Standards for Metering and Meter Data (DASMMD). Part W further describes that if reliable metered consumption information is not available, consumption would be estimated based on the customer's historical load at the time the customer discontinued or reduced its purchases from SCE.

When established, Schedule DL-NBC did not go into the same detail as Part W with respect to determining Departing Load consumption. Schedule DL-NBC merely stated that the customer's obligations for NDC, PPPC, and FTAC would be based on metered consumption and that if reliable metered consumption was not available to SCE, estimation based on historical usage would be used to determine the amount of Departing Load. When Schedule CGDL-CRS was filed in Advice 1700-E-B, this issue of using historical usage to determine the amount of Departing Load Consumption was not addressed at all. SCE is filing these revisions to Schedules DL-NBC and CG DL-CRS to incorporate Part W's more complete description of how Departing Load consumption is determined.

No cost information is required for this advice filing.

This advice filing will not increase any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, or conflict with any other schedule or rule.

EFFECTIVE DATE

The purpose of this advice filing is to clarify Schedules DL-NBC and CGDL-CRS with respect to how Departing Load consumption is determined. It is not

pursuant to a Commission decision or resolution and will be effective in 40 days which is November 7, 2004 subject to Commission approval.

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:

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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 to the attached GO 96-A Service List should be directed by electronic mail to AdviceTariffManager@sce.com or at (626) 302-3636. For changes to other Service Lists, please contact the Commission's Process Office at (415) 703-2021 or by electronic mail at Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov.

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For questions, please contact Pat Aldridge at (626) 302-4617 or by electronic mail at Pat.Aldridge@sce.com

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Enclosures

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
Original 36954-E	Schedule CGDL-CRS	
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CUSTOMER GENERATING DEPARTING LOAD COST RESPONSIBILITY SURCHARGE

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

5. Bill Calculation: The DL Customer's DWR Bond Charge, the HPC, the CTC, and the DWR Power Charge obligations not subject to Special Condition 4 Exemptions and Exceptions from CRS will be based on metered consumption. Third party metering will be allowed subject to verification procedures sufficient to assure reliability of such consumption data and/or information. Meter reliability is pursuant to SCE's Rule 17 and the Direct Access Standards for Metering and Meter Data ("DASMMMD"). Each party will be responsible for its own costs associated with the agreed upon verification process.

If metered consumption is not available then the Departing Load customer's monthly consumption estimation will be based upon the customer's historical load at the time it discontinues or reduces retail service with SCE, using one of the two following options:

- (a) The customer's demand and energy usage over the 12 month period prior to the customer's submission of notice; or
- (b) The customer's average 12 month demand and energy usage, with such average to be as measured over the prior 36 months of usage; or

In the event the 12-month average usage differs from the 36-month average by an amount greater than 25 percent, the 36-month average will be used unless there is substantial evidence to demonstrate that the more recent usage is the result of a persisting change in the customer's electric usage, and that the 12-month average will be more indicative of the customer's future electric requirements.

If the customer does not indicate its option in its notice, the default method will be the customer's demand and energy usage over the 12 month period prior to the customer's submission of notice.

In circumstances where the Departing Load has been reduced following departure from SCE due to use of energy efficiency equipment or for other reasons, the customer and SCE may agree in writing to use metered or other data on a prospective basis to verify such load reduction for the Departing Load. If a metering agreement is reached, SCE will adjust the calculation of Departing Load payments.

If the customer has switched between applicable rate schedules or service voltage during the 36 month period prior to the Date of Departure, the Departing Load Statement will be based on the customer's final applicable rate schedule and service voltage. Where a customer provides reliable third party metered consumption data, the rate schedules used for Departing Load purposes shall be consistent with that metered information.

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Schedule DL-NBC
DEPARTING LOAD
NONBYPASSABLE CHARGES

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. Departing Load: Departing Load is that portion of SCE's customer's electric load for which the customer, on or after December 20, 1995: (a) discontinues or reduces its purchases of electricity supply and delivery services from SCE; (b) purchases or consumes electricity supplied and delivered by sources other than SCE to replace such SCE purchases; and (c) remains physically located at the same location or within SCE's service area as it existed on December 20, 1995. Reduction in load qualifies as Departing Load only to the extent that such load is subsequently served with electricity from a source other than SCE. However, load that is eligible for net energy metering, as defined in Public Utilities (PU) Code Sections 2827 – 2827.10, is not departing load.

2. Bill Calculation: The Departing Load Customer's NDC, PPPC, and FTAC obligations will be based on metered consumption. Third Party metering will be allowed subject to verification procedures sufficient to assure reliability of such consumption data and/or information. Meter reliability would be pursuant to SCE's Rule 17 and the Direct Access Standards for Metering and Meter Data ("DASMMD"). Each party will be responsible for its own costs associated with the agreed upon verification process.

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3. Exemptions: Section 372 and 374 of the Public Utilities Code provides exemptions from the CTC for certain Departing Load which are set forth in Preliminary Statement, Part W, Section 4. Departing Load Customers who are eligible for such exemptions will not be billed the applicable CTC. When Departing Load previously served by SCE is served by another entity whose charges include the PPPC, such Departing Load Customer will not be billed the PPPC by SCE.

4. Otherwise Applicable Tariff: The customer's regularly filed rate schedule under which service was rendered.

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