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NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS REGARDING PROPOSED DECREASE IN ELECTRIC RATES BY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY (SCE) Application (A.) 12-04-015

The California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) has scheduled an Evidentiary Hearing (EH) for the Cost of Capital proceeding listed above. The date, time and location of the EH is as follows:

January 14-15, 2013
10:00 AM
CPUC Commission Courtroom
State Office Building
505 Van Ness Ave.
San Francisco, CA. 94102

Any change to the dates, times and locations of the EH will be posted to the CPUC's Daily Calendar. Locations for these hearings are wheelchair accessible.

The purpose of the EH is to have an Administrative Law Judge preside over the administrative review and examination of evidence related to Phase 2 of SCE's *Application of Southern California Edison Company for Authority to Establish its Authorized Cost of Capital for Utility Operations for 2013 and to Reset the Annual Cost of Capital Adjustment Mechanism* (A.12-04-015).

SCE'S APPLICATION FILING

On April 20, 2012, SCE filed Application No. 12-04-015 with the Commission requesting that the Commission review and authorize a cost of capital for test year 2013. The authorized cost of capital determines the amount of money SCE is allowed in rates as a return on its invested capital. In the Phase 1 decision of SCE's application, Decision 12-12-034, the Commission determined the costs of long-term debt, preferred equity, and common equity that are part of SCE's authorized cost of capital to become effective January 1, 2013, as follows:

2013 Cost of Capital for SCE

Component	Percentage	Cost	Weighted Cost
Long-Term Debt	43.00%	5.49%	2.36%
Preferred Equity	9.00%	5.79%	0.52%
Common Equity	<u>48.00%</u>	10.45%	<u>5.02%</u>
Total	100.00%		7.90%

The Commission ruled that Phase 2 of this proceeding will consider SCE's request that its cost of capital adjustment mechanism be continued without modification for a three-year term (including 2013), so that SCE's next cost of capital application will be filed in early 2015 for test year 2016. The cost of capital adjustment mechanism will control SCE's authorized return on common equity and the overall rate of return until SCE files its next cost of capital application for test year 2016. SCE's current mechanism is based on the 12-month average of the Moody's Baa long-term utility bond rate index. In October of each year, the most recent 12-month average for this rate is compared to a benchmark value. If the difference between the two is more than 100 basis points or less than minus 100 basis points, a new return on equity is established. The Commission is addressing SCE's request for a mechanism in Phase 2 of this proceeding that is scheduled for hearing as stated in this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION FROM SCE

You may also view a copy of the application at the Commission's website, http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/EFILE/A/136644.htm, or by writing to SCE at the Rosemead mailing address below. You may also review a copy of this Application and related exhibits at SCE's corporate headquarters (2244 Walnut Grove Avenue, Rosemead, CA 91770), at the Los Angeles Office of the Commission at the address shown above, or at the following SCE business offices:

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For further information from SCE regarding this Application, please write to:

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Rosemead, CA 91770

Attention: Case Administration

EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS and COMMISSION PROCESS

Evidentiary hearings will be held at a designated CPUC hearing room in San Francisco, CA at the address listed above. The hearing is scheduled to begin on January 14, 2012 at 10:00 a.m., and will continue on January 15, 2012 (10:00 a.m.), and continuing as needed. The CPUC holds evidentiary hearings whereby the formal parties of record provide testimony and are subject to cross-examination before the CPUC's ALJ. These hearings are open to the public to attend and listen, but only those who are formal parties of record are allowed to participate. One party is the Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA), which consists of engineers, accountants, economists and attorneys who independently evaluate the proposals of utilities and present their analyses and recommendations for

the CPUC at the evidentiary hearings. The CPUC has its own court reporters who will record the participation of parties in the evidentiary hearings. Parties may offer proposals that differ from those presented in SCE's application. Once hearings are completed, the ALJ will consider all of the evidence presented and release a proposed decision. When the CPUC issues a final decision, it may adopt, amend or modify all or part of the ALJ's proposed decision. The final decision may differ from the requests filed by SCE in its proposed application.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS

If you would like further information on the evidentiary hearing process or if you wish to submit written comments or informally protest this application as a customer of SCE, you may do so by contacting the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at the address or e-mail shown below. Please state that you are writing concerning SCE's A.12-04-015, et al. All public comments are circulated to the Commissioners, the assigned ALJ, and other line Divisions working on this matter. All public comments are also provided to the Commission's Formal Files Office as part of the formal public comment file for this proceeding.

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