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Pursuant to Rule 8.4 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”), Southern California Edison Company (SCE) hereby gives notice of the following *ex parte* communication.

On September 20, 2016, SCE participants met with Mr. Matthew Tisdale, Advisor to Commissioner Florio, at his request to discuss issues related to demand response (“DR”). The *ex parte* discussion began at approximately 2 pm and ended at 3pm. The meeting took place at SCE’s office located at 601 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 2030, San Francisco, CA, with Mr. Michael Hoover, Director of Regulatory Affairs and Dr. Raymond Johnson, Principal Manager Energy Forecasting & Integration. Joining on the phone were Mr. David LeBlond, Manager Regulatory Affairs, Mr. Nathanael Gonzalez, Project Manager Regulatory Affairs, and Ms. Olivia Samad, Senior Attorney (who left the call during the discussion of the DR Auction Mechanism (“DRAM”)). The topics discussed included:

- SCE’s experiences and lessons learned in the 2016 DRAM;
- SCE’s experiences and lessons learned in integrating DR into the California Independent System Operator (“CAISO”) market in 2016; and
- SCE’s thoughts on ALJ Hymes’ Proposed Decision (“PD”) Adopting Guidance for Future Demand Response Portfolios and Modifying Decision 14-12-024.

On the matters of the 2016 DRAM and CAISO market integration, SCE explained that both had been largely successful to date and identified some potential process improvements for the CPUC and the CAISO. Regarding the PD, SCE recommended that its Summer Discount Plan (“SDP”) programs be excluded from the back-up generation (“BUG”) enforcement requirements because the use of BUG will not enable customers to avoid participation in SDP events. SCE also made recommendations for improving the 2018 DRAM outlined in the PD and recommended the PD be modified to clarify that the cap on DR portfolio costs at 2017 levels pertains to both the portfolio administration costs approved in D.16-06-029 and incentive costs approved in the General Rate Case. SCE also recommended the due date for the utilities’ next funding applications be extended by one month to January 31, 2017.

There were no written materials circulated or presented in connection with this conversation.

Respectfully submitted,

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