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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U 902 E) for Adoption of its Smart Grid Deployment Plan.	Application 11-06-006 (Filed June 6, 2011)
And Related Matters.	Application 11-06-029 Application 11-07-001

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE**Summary**

This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding to September 30, 2013.

Background

Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5 provides that quasi-legislative proceedings, such as this one, shall be resolved within 18 months of the date on which the scoping memo is issued, unless the scoping memo sets a later date. The Commission may also, upon making a written determination that the deadline cannot be met, including findings as to the reason, issue an order extending the deadline for up to 60 days.

As a result of the issuance of a scoping memo on October 3, 2011, in this proceeding, the 18-month statutory deadline for resolving this consolidated proceeding was April 3, 2013. Decision (D.) 13-03-018 and D.13-05-023

previously extended the deadline to June 2, 2013 and August 1, 2013, respectively.

On June 11, 2013, a proposed decision was filed and served to the parties of record for public review and comments. Additional time is necessary to allow the Commission to review the comments and deliberate on this proposed decision. Therefore, this decision extends the deadline for 60 days, to September 30, 2013.

Discussion

In Application (A.) 11-06-006, SDG&E presented a Smart Grid Deployment Plan of 340 pages. In A.11-06-029, PG&E filed a Smart Grid Deployment Plan of 281 pages. In A.11-07-001, SCE filed a Deployment Plan of 177 pages.

The review of these plans was consolidated into one comprehensive proceeding. Moreover, each plan offers a utility-specific plan for the deployment of its Smart Grid.

On June 11, 2013, the proposed decision was filed and served to the parties of record for public review and comments. Additional time is necessary to allow the Commission to review the comments and deliberate on this proposed decision. For these reasons, an order extending the deadline for this proceeding is necessary.

Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of proposed decisions extending the deadline for resolving quasi-legislative proceedings. Accordingly, the otherwise applicable period for public review and comment is being waived.

Assignment of Proceeding

Michael R. Peevey is the assigned Commissioner and Timothy J. Sullivan is the assigned Administrative Law Judge in this proceeding.

Findings of Fact

1. On June 11, 2013, the proposed decision was filed and served to the parties of record for public review and comments. Therefore, additional time is necessary to allow the Commission to review the comments and deliberate on this proposed decision.

2. D.13-03-018 set the deadline of this quasi-legislative proceeding to June 2, 2013.

3. D.13-05-023 set the deadline of this quasi-legislative proceeding to August 1, 2013.

4. A further 60-day extension of time to September 30, 2013, is needed.

Conclusions of Law

1. The Commission should extend the deadline in this proceeding to September 30, 2013, as allowed by Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5.

2. In accordance with Rule 14.6(c)(4) the comment period should be waived.

3. This order should be effective immediately.

IT IS ORDERED that the statutory deadline in this consolidated proceeding is extended to September 30, 2013.

This order is effective today.

Dated _____, at San Francisco, California.