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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for Authority to Lease Certain Optical Fibers to Sprint Communications Company, L.P., a limited partnership organized in Delaware.

Application 03-11-027  
(Filed November 26, 2003)

**DECISION GRANTING THE MOTION OF SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P. FOR AN EXTENSION OF CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS AND CLOSING THE PROCEEDING**

**1. Summary**

Pursuant to Pub. Util. Code § 583 and General Order 66-C, the Commission may grant requests to file all or part of a document under seal, to seal all or part of an evidentiary record, and/or to protect previously sealed information from public disclosure. In the interest of balancing the policy goals of public disclosure, full participation, and transparency with the statutory provisions allowing and indeed requiring confidential treatment of information in limited circumstances,<sup>1</sup> the Commission may grant requests for confidential treatment for discrete periods of time, rather than in perpetuity. Prior to the expiration of the discrete period of time, a party may request, by motion, an extension of the period of time that the information will be treated as confidential.

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<sup>1</sup> Pub. Util. Code § 454.5(g) mandates confidential treatment of market-sensitive information related to an electric corporation's procurement plan.

Sprint Communications Company L.P. (Sprint) filed a timely motion in Application 03-11-027 to extend by two years the confidential treatment of an unredacted Lease Agreement and Product Orders. These documents were originally filed under seal pursuant to a ruling issued by the assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) dated February 17, 2004. Subsequent motions by Sprint to extend the confidential treatment of the documents were granted by (1) a ruling issued by the assigned ALJ dated January 30, 2006; (2) Resolution ALJ-210 dated November 16, 2007; (3) Resolution ALJ-239 dated August 20, 2009; and (4) Decision 11-09-003 dated September 15, 2011.

Sprint's most recent motion to extend the confidential treatment of the documents was filed on June 4, 2013, and is unopposed. In its motion, Sprint has met its burden to demonstrate that the documents it seeks to keep under seal qualify for confidential treatment for an additional two years. Therefore, the motion is granted. The confidential treatment of the Lease Agreement and Product Orders is extended for two years, running from the effective date of this decision.

## **2. Waiver of Comment Period**

This is an uncontested matter in which the decision grants the relief requested. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 311(g)(2) of the Public Utilities Code and Rule 14.6(c)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the comment period is waived.

## **3. Assignment of Proceeding**

Michael R. Peevey is the assigned Commissioner and Timothy Kenney is the assigned ALJ in this proceeding.

**IT IS ORDERED** that:

1. The request for extension of time for confidential treatment is granted as set forth above.

2. Application 03-11-027 is closed.

This order is effective today.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, at San Francisco, California.