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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Investigation into the
November 2018 Submission of Southern
California Edison Risk Assessment and
Mitigation Phase

Investigation 18-11-006

ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER'S SCOPING MEMO AND RULING

1. Procedural Background

On November 8, 2018, the Commission opened this Order Instituting Investigation (OII) to review the Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) submission of Southern California Edison (SCE).

In Decision (D.) 14-12-025, the Commission adopted a risk-based decision-making framework into the Rate Case Plan for the General Rate Cases (GRCs) of the large energy utilities. In D.16-08-018, the Commission adopted guidelines for what the RAMP submissions should include, as well as an evaluation method by which to evaluate the RAMP submissions. Under the procedures adopted in D.14-12-025 and D.16-08-018, SCE is required to file its RAMP submission into this OII which the Commission's Safety and Enforcement Division (SED) will review for consistency and compliance with the Safety Model Assessment Proceeding (S-MAP). Parties to the OII will be given an opportunity to comment on SCE's RAMP submission as well as SED's report. The RAMP filing and comment process will then form the basis of SCE's assessment of its safety risks in its next GRC filing.

On November 15, 2018, SCE filed its RAMP report.

Prehearing Conference (PHC) statements were filed on December 11, 2018 and December 13, 2018 by SCE and the Office of Public Advocates (Cal Advocates), respectively.

On December 14, 2016, a workshop was held at the Commission Auditorium to discuss SCE's RAMP report.

A PHC was held on December 18, 2018 to discuss the issues of law and fact and determine the need for hearing and schedule for resolving the matter. After considering the PHC statements and the discussion at the PHC, I have determined the issues and schedule of the proceeding to be as set forth in this Scoping Memo.

2. Issues

The issues to be determined are:

1. The completeness of the utilities' proposal and report including consistency and compliance with the S-MAP and D.16-08-018;
 - a. Whether or not key safety risks have been assessed;
 - b. Whether or not alternatives have been fully considered and adequately discussed;
2. Whether or not there are gaps in identifying risks and mitigation options;
3. The efficiency of risk mitigation funding, proposed spending, and the amount or level of mitigation planned for SCE's next GRC cycle;
4. The alignment of proposed risk mitigation programs with stakeholder preferences; and,
5. Whether or not the utility adequately incorporates RAMP results, including SED's input, into its GRC filing.

3. Need for Evidentiary Hearing

Evidentiary hearings were not contemplated for this proceeding and the parties have not suggested they are needed. Accordingly, we confirm the initial determination that evidentiary hearing is not needed.

4. Schedule

The following schedule is adopted here and may be modified by the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) as required to promote the efficient and fair resolution of this OII:

Date	Activity
November 8, 2018	OII for SCE's GRC initiated.
November 15, 2018	SCE to file its RAMP submission in the OII as required by D.14-12-025 and D.16-08-018.
December 14, 2018	SCE and SED hold a public workshop on SCE's RAMP submission.
December 18, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.	Prehearing conference held.
By May 15, 2019	SED to file and serve its staff report on SCE's RAMP submission.
May 29, 2019	SED Workshop on staff report; CPUC, Los Angeles, CA.
By June 14, 2019	Parties to the OII to serve comments on SCE's RAMP submission, and on SED's staff report.
June/July 2019	If needed, additional workshops to be held on RAMP-related items.
May to August 2019	SCE incorporates RAMP results into its GRC filing.
September 2, 2019	SCE files its Test Year 2021 GRC application, and serves prepared testimony including changes resulting from the RAMP process.
Per Rule 2.6(a)	Protests and responses filed to SCE's GRC application.
By October 15, 2019	SCE holds public workshop on overall GRC application.
By November 1, 2019	Prehearing conference to be held in SCE GRC application, and to discuss whether this OII should be consolidated with the GRC application.
Per D.14-12-025 and D.16-08-018	Other actions being taken in accordance with schedule in D.14-12-025 and D.16-08-018.
To be determined	Proposed decision in SCE GRC proceeding and in OII.
In accordance with Verification schedule discussed in D.14-12-025	Utility files annual Risk Mitigation Accountability Report and Risk Spending Accountability Report.

Due to the possibility of consolidation of this proceeding with the SCE General Rate Case which is to be filed in September 2019 we anticipate resolution of this proceeding will be in excess of the 18 months required by Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5.

5. Category of Proceeding/*Ex Parte* Restrictions

This ruling confirms the Commission's preliminary determination that this is a ratesetting proceeding. Accordingly, *ex parte* communications are restricted and must be reported pursuant to Article 8 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

6. Public Outreach

Pursuant to Pub. Util. Code § 1711(a), I hereby report that the Commission sought the participation of those likely to be affected by this matter by noticing it in the Commission's monthly newsletter that is served on communities and businesses that subscribe to it and posting on the Commission's website.

In addition, the Commission served the Order Instituting on the service lists in the most recent GRC proceedings of SCE (Application (A.) 16-09-001), in the proceeding that modified the RCP (Rulemaking 13-11-006), and in the consolidated proceedings addressing the S-MAP in A.15-05-002, A.15-05-003, A.15-05-004, and A.15-05-005.

7. Intervenor Compensation

Pursuant to Pub. Util. Code § 1804(a)(1), a customer who intends to seek an award of compensation must file and serve a Notice of Intent to claim compensation by January 17, 2019, 30 days after the PHC.

8. Public Advisor

Any person interested in participating in this proceeding who is unfamiliar with the Commission's procedures or has questions about the electronic filing procedures is encouraged to obtain more information at <http://consumers.cpuc.ca.gov/pao> or contact the Commission's Public Advisor at 866-849-8390 or 415-703-2074 or 866-836-7825 (TTY), or send an e-mail to public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov.

9. Service of Documents on Commissioners and Their Personal Advisors

Rule 1.10 requires only electronic service on any person on the official service list, other than the ALJ.

When serving documents on Commissioners or their personal advisors, whether or not they are on the official service list, parties must only provide electronic service. Parties must NOT send hard copies of documents to Commissioners or their personal advisors unless specifically instructed to do so.

10. Assignment of Proceeding

Michael Picker is the assigned Commissioner and Eric Wildgrube is the assigned ALJ for the proceeding.

IT IS RULED that:

1. The scope of this proceeding is described above.
2. The schedule of this proceeding is as set forth above.
3. Evidentiary hearings ARE NOT needed.
4. The category of the proceeding is ratesetting.

Dated January 24, 2019, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MICHAEL PICKER

Michael Picker
Assigned Commissioner