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Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for a Commission Finding that its Procurement-Related and Other Operations for the Record Period January 1 Through December 31, 2020 Complied with its Adopted Procurement Plan; for Verification of its Entries in the Energy Resource Recovery Account and Other Regulatory Accounts; and for Recovery of \$60.772 Million Recorded in Four Accounts.

Application 21-04-001

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING GRANTING
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY'S MOTION
TO ADMIT ONE EXHIBIT INTO THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD**

This ruling grants Southern California Edison Company's (SCE) motion to admit one exhibit into the evidentiary record.

1. Background

On May 26, 2022, the assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) requested SCE serve additional information on the uncollectible expense for each year of the period from 2012 to 2016 for the residential, small business, and medium/large customer classes by e-mail ruling. On June 10, 2022, SCE served the *Response of SCE to the ALJ's E-Mail Ruling Requesting Additional Information* (the "Exhibit"), pre-marked as Exhibit SCE-08, along with a concurrently filed *Motion to Submit Exhibit SCE-08 into Evidence* (Motion). On June 17, 2022, The

Utility Reform Network (TURN) filed the *Response of TURN to the Motion of SCE to Submit Exhibit SCE-08 into Evidence* (Response). On June 24, 2022, SCE filed the *Reply of SCE to Response of TURN to Motion to Submit Exhibit SCE-08 into Evidence* (Reply).

2. Discussion

Pursuant to Rule 13.11 of the California Public Utilities Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure,¹ the assigned ALJ or presiding officer may require the production of further evidence upon any issue. In order for the Commission to properly develop the record in this proceeding, the assigned ALJ directed SCE to serve additional information by e-mail ruling. On June 10, 2022, SCE complied and offered, by serving on the proceeding service list, the responsive document as pre-marked exhibit SCE-08. However, the assigned ALJ already marked and admitted a document titled "CPPMA Supplemental Workpapers" as Exhibit SCE-08 into evidence at the evidentiary hearing held on January 13, 2022.² Therefore, the Exhibit will be marked and identified as Exhibit SCE-09, as follows:

Exhibit Number	Description
SCE-09	Response of SCE to the ALJ's E-Mail Ruling Requesting Additional Information, dated June 10, 2022.

Upon review, Exhibit SCE-09 is admitted. Exhibit SCE-09 provides a response to the Commission's request for SCE to "provide the uncollectible expense, in total dollars, for each year of the period from 2012 - 2016 for the following customer classes: Residential, Small Business, and Medium/Large

¹ All references to "Rule" or "Rules" herein refer to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

² RT 15:12-19, 126:13-127:26.

Customers” by providing: (1) SCE’s interpretation of the Commission’s review of the Residential Uncollectibles Balancing Account and the COVID-19 Pandemic Protections Memorandum Account in this Energy Resource Recovery Account application, (2) SCE’s explanation of its interpretation of the e-mail ruling as requesting write-off amounts for the three customer classes, (3) data tables of recorded write-off amounts for the 2012-2014 and 2015-2016 period, (4) a data table of estimated write-off amounts for the 2017-2019 period, and (5) the declaration of Erin Pulgar in support of SCE’s response to the ruling.

TURN argues that only pages five and six, which contain the data tables, should be admitted into evidence, as the remaining exhibit consists of “unresponsive and inappropriate material” which would prejudice other parties if it were admitted.³ TURN requests an opportunity to provide an additional exhibit in response to the “unresponsive and inappropriate material” in the event the Commission decides to admit the contested portion of Exhibit SCE-09.⁴ In its Reply, SCE objects to TURN’s characterization of the Exhibit and argues that the Exhibit should be admitted into evidence in its entirety.

This ruling finds SCE’s argument in support of admitting the entirety of Exhibit SCE-09 persuasive. The probative value of Exhibit SCE-09 in reviewing the disputed issues in this proceeding outweighs any prejudice or harm in this proceeding. The contents of Exhibit SCE-09 will be assigned the appropriate weight.

TURN’s request to serve an additional exhibit addressing the contents of the Exhibit outside of the data tables on pages 5 and 6 is denied. Relevant to our

³ Response at 1.

⁴ *Id.* at 3.

consideration, we note that TURN does not wish to add additional or alternative data from the 2012-2016 record period into the evidentiary record, which was the purpose of the e-mail ruling. TURN had an opportunity to argue the content of SCE's other statements and declarations in its Response.

IT IS RULED that SCE's June 10, 2022 motion to admit an additional exhibit is granted, and it is marked, identified and admitted into the evidentiary record as follows:

Exhibit Number	Description	
SCE-09	Response of SCE to the ALJ's E-Mail Ruling Requesting Additional Information, dated June 10, 2022.	Admitted

Dated July 6, 2022, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ZITA KLINE

Zita Kline
Administrative Law Judge