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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
Southern California Gas Company
(U904G) Regarding Year 29
(2022-2023) of Its Gas Cost Incentive
Mechanism.

Application 23-07-005

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE
AND DIRECTING PARTIES TO FILE AND SERVE
JOINT PREHEARING CONFERENCE STATEMENT**

This ruling sets a prehearing conference (PHC) for Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

Parties and any interested persons shall appear by using the following information:

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The purpose of this PHC is to determine the proceeding's scope and schedule, and any other procedural matters related to this application.

During the PHC, we will discuss the following matters: (1) Appearances and Service List; (2) Procedural Background; (3) Categorization; (4) Scope of Issues; (5) Schedule and Hearings; and (6) Miscellaneous Matters.

1. Joint PHC Statement

This ruling also directs the parties to meet and confer prior to the PHC to prepare, file with the Docket Office, and serve to the official service list a Joint PHC Statement by 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2023. The Joint PHC Statement shall identify and provide the following:

- a. The name, phone number and email address of individuals intending to speak at the PHC, and, in the case of multiple representatives for the same party, indicate who is designated as the primary party representative;
- b. Objections to the preliminary categorization;
- c. Proposed scope of the proceeding;
- d. Material facts in dispute;
- e. Material legal disputes;
- f. The need for hearings;
- g. Potential achievement of goals set forth in the California Public Utilities Commission's Environmental and Social Justice Action Plan through the approval of the application; and
- h. Other miscellaneous issues relevant to this proceeding and the proposed schedule.

2. Ground Rules

The court reporters will rely on the audio from the telephone or Webex to transcribe the PHC. To ensure a complete and accurate record, parties are directed to adhere to the following ground rules during the PHC:

- Mute your phone or audio when not speaking;
- Speak only when addressed by the Administrative Law Judge;
- State your name each and every time before you speak;
- Speak slowly and clearly;

- Do not use a speaker phone when speaking; and
- Do not interrupt or speak over one another.

As this is a PHC reliant on technology to relay statements in verbatim format by those in attendance to the court reporter, the reporter may (1) interrupt the speaker if the speaker makes inaudible statements, and (2) insert the word “inaudible” in the transcript when there is dropped, garbled, or otherwise indecipherable audio.

If parties have prepared statements they intend to make during the PHC, please email them by 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2023, to the court reporter at reporting@cpuc.ca.gov.

Parties requiring changes or additions to the official service list shall complete the required “Addition/Change of Official Service List” form and send to both process_office@cpuc.ca.gov and reporting@cpuc.ca.gov prior to the PHC.

Parties who desire expedited or daily transcripts should advise the Chief Hearing Reporter via email at reporting@cpuc.ca.gov, no later than three days prior to the date of the hearing.

IT IS RULED that:

1. A prehearing conference for Application 23-07-005 is scheduled on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, starting at 1:00 p.m.
2. Parties are to meet and confer and file and serve a Joint Prehearing Conference Statement addressing the inquiry set forth in the ruling above by 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2023.
3. If parties have prepared statements they intend to make during the prehearing conference, please email them by 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2023, to the court reporter at reporting@cpuc.ca.gov.

4. Parties shall comply with all Ground Rules set forth in the ruling above.

Dated September 22, 2023, at San Francisco, California.

 /s/ MINH LEQUANG
Minh LeQuang
Administrative Law Judge