

Decision \_\_\_\_\_

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

Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902M) to Submit Its 2021 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase Report.	Application 21-05-011
And Related Matter.	Application 21-05-014

**ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE****Summary**

This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding until October 15, 2023.

**1. Background and Justification**

On May 17, 2021, San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) and Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) filed their respective 2021 Risk Assessment Mitigation Phase (RAMP) Applications and the RAMP Reports according to Decision (D.) 14-12-025 ahead of their general rate case (GRC) applications.

On November 5, 2021, the Safety Policy Division (SPD) of the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) served a copy of the staff evaluation report (SPD Report) on Sempra's RAMP applications.

An assigned Commissioner Ruling (ACR) was issued on March 30, 2022, directing Sempra Utilities to undertake the revised risk spending efficiency (RSE) calculations for the post-test years (2025-2027) in its upcoming GRC. The ACR directed Sempra Utilities to submit supplemental testimony calculating the expected risk reduction and the revised RSE values for the post-test years (2025-2027) within eight weeks of filing the GRC Application.

On May 16, 2022, Sempra Utilities filed their respective GRC applications. SoCalGas filed Application (A.) 22-05-015, and SDG&E filed A.22-05-016, which were consolidated (GRC Proceeding). In these applications, Sempra Utilities seek authority to increase their revenue requirements and base rates effective January 1, 2024, and further increase their revenue requirements in post-test years 2025, 2026, and 2027. An assigned Commissioner's Scoping Memo and Ruling (Scoping Memo) was issued in Sempra Utilities' GRC Proceeding on October 3, 2022.

On October 20, 2022, via an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) ruling in this proceeding, Sempra has been directed to file information on mapping RAMP safety risk data between its RAMP and GRC Proceeding within 30 days of the issuance of the ALJ ruling.

On November 21, 2022, the statutory deadline for this proceeding was extended from November 15, 2022, through May 18, 2023.

Commission's Safety Policy Division is evaluating Sempra Utilities' response to the October 20, 2022, ALJ ruling seeking additional information. Additional time is needed to review the mapping information showing us where in the GRC applications Sempra Utilities included RAMP findings and recommendations and what key risks and proposed programs for mitigating safety risks are included in the current GRC application. There is good cause to

extend the statutory deadline to October 15, 2023, to allow for Commission staff and management discussion and analysis.

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

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may waive the otherwise applicable 30-day period for public review and comment on a decision that extends the deadline for resolving ratesetting proceedings pursuant to Public Utilities (Pub. Util.) Code § 1701.5. Under the circumstances of this proceeding, it is appropriate to waive the 30-day period for public review and comment.

## **3. Assignment of Proceeding**

Commissioner Darcie L. Houck is the assigned Commissioner, and Rafael L. Lirag and Manisha Lakhanpal are the assigned ALJs and Presiding Officers for the proceeding.

## **Findings of Fact**

1. Applications (A.) 21-05-011 and A.21-05-014 were filed on May 17, 2021.
2. The current statutory deadline is May 18, 2023.
3. An extension of the statutory deadline until October 15, 2023, is necessary to allow adequate time to complete this proceeding.

## **Conclusion of Law**

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Commission under Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5(a), the statutory deadline should be extended to October 15, 2023.

**IT IS ORDERED** that the statutory deadline for completion of this proceeding is extended until October 15, 2023.

This order is effective today.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 2022, at San Francisco, California.