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**NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS
REGARDING PROPOSED DECREASE IN ELECTRIC RATES BY
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY (SCE)
Application (A.) 12-04-015**

The California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) has scheduled an Evidentiary Hearing (EH) for the Cost of Capital proceeding listed above. The date, time and location of the EH is as follows:

Friday, September 14, 2012

10:00 AM

CPUC Commission Courtroom

State Office Building

505 Van Ness Ave.

San Francisco, CA. 94102

Any change to the dates, times and locations of the EH will be posted to the CPUC's Daily Calendar. Locations for these hearings are wheelchair accessible.

The purpose of the EH is to have an Administrative Law Judge preside over the administrative review and examination of evidence related to the proposed rate decrease in the *Application of Southern California Edison Company for Authority to Establish its Authorized Cost of Capital for Utility Operations for 2013 and to Reset the Annual Cost of Capital Adjustment Mechanism (A.12-04-015)*.

SCE'S APPLICATION FILING

On April 20, 2012, SCE filed Application No. 12-04-015 with the Commission requesting that the Commission review and authorize a cost of capital for test year 2013. The authorized cost of capital determines the amount of money SCE is allowed in rates as a return on its invested capital. In this proceeding, the Commission will determine the reasonable costs of long-term debt, preferred stock, and common stock that are part of the authorized cost of capital. SCE recommends no change in its currently authorized ratemaking capital structure at this time. Therefore, SCE requests Commission authorization of the following capital structure, costs of long-term debt and preferred equity, and return on common equity, to become effective January 1, 2013:

2013 Recommended Cost of Capital for SCE

Component	Percentage	Cost	Weighted Cost
Long-Term Debt	43.00%	5.53%	2.38%
Preferred Equity	9.00%	5.86%	0.53%
Common Equity	48.00%	11.10%	5.33%

Total	100.00%		8.24%
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The authorized cost of capital adopted in this application will be applied to capital investment authorized in SCE's pending General Rate Case (GRC) application. Assuming that SCE's requested capital investment is adopted in the GRC, SCE's annual revenue requirement will decrease by approximately \$92.8 million beginning on January 1, 2013.

SCE is requesting a return on common equity of 11.10% and a return on rate base of 8.24%. SCE's requested cost of capital will fairly compensate those who invest in SCE, and permit SCE to attract capital to meet its obligations to serve its customers safely and efficiently.

SCE also requests that its cost of capital adjustment mechanism be continued without modification for a three-year term (including 2013), so that SCE's next cost of capital application will be filed in early 2015 for test year 2016. SCE's current mechanism is based on the 12-month average of the Moody's Baa long-term utility bond rate index. In October of each year, the most recent 12-month average for this rate is compared to a benchmark value. If the difference between the two is more than 100 basis points or less than minus 100 basis points, a new ROE is established. The Commission has decided to address SCE's request for a mechanism in a separate phase of this proceeding next year.

The following table shows an estimate of proposed revenues and rate changes by customer group. The percentage decrease in total revenue is \$92.8 million or -.83%, beginning in 2013. Any revenue change resulting from this application will be consolidated with revenue changes from other SCE applications. **If the Commission should approve total rates as requested, an average residential electric customer using 600 kilowatt-hours per month would expect to see a decrease of \$1.01 per month, from \$104.92 to \$103.91.** The following table shows current rates compared to an estimate of proposed revenue and rate changes by customer group.

Customer Group Revenue Impact Cost of Capital Application for 2013				
Customer Group	Revenue Change (\$000)	% Change	Bundled	
			Present Rates (¢/kWh)	Proposed Rates (¢/kWh)
Residential	-44,494	-0.99%	16.06	15.91
Lighting - Small and Medium Power	-32,588	-0.79%	15.27	15.15
Large Power	-12,670	-0.60%	10.20	10.13
Agricultural and Pumping	-2,813	-0.79%	11.66	11.56
Street and Area Lighting	-301	-0.23%	18.13	18.09
Total	-92,866	-0.83%	14.30	14.18

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION FROM SCE

You may also view a copy of the application at the Commission's website, <http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/EFILE/A/136644.htm>, or by writing to SCE at the Rosemead mailing address below. You may also review a copy of this Application and related exhibits at SCE's corporate headquarters (2244 Walnut Grove Avenue, Rosemead, CA 91770), at the Los Angeles Office of the Commission at the address shown above, or at the following SCE business offices:

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For further information from SCE regarding this Application, please write to:

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Attention: Case Administration

EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS and COMMISSION PROCESS

Evidentiary hearings will be held at a designated CPUC hearing room in San Francisco, CA at the address listed above. The hearing is scheduled to begin on September 14, 2012 at 10:00 a.m., and will continue on September 21st (10:00 a.m.), 24th, 28th, and continuing as needed. The CPUC holds evidentiary hearings whereby the formal parties of record provide testimony and are subject to cross-examination before the CPUC's ALJ. These hearings are open to the public to attend and listen, but only those who are formal parties of record are allowed to participate. One party is the Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA), which consists of engineers, accountants, economists and attorneys who independently evaluate the proposals of utilities and present their analyses and recommendations for the CPUC at the evidentiary hearings. The CPUC has its own court reporters who will record the participation of parties in the evidentiary hearings. Parties may offer proposals that differ from those presented in SCE's application. Once hearings are completed, the ALJ will consider all of the evidence presented and release a proposed decision. When the CPUC issues a final decision, it may adopt, amend or modify all or part of the ALJ's proposed decision. The final decision may differ from the requests filed by SCE in its proposed application.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS

If you would like further information on the evidentiary hearing process or if you wish to submit written comments or informally protest this application as a customer of SCE, you may do so by contacting the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at the address or e-mail shown below. Please state that you are writing concerning SCE's A.12-04-015, et al. All public comments are circulated to the

Commissioners, the assigned ALJ, and other line Divisions working on this matter. All public comments are also provided to the Commission's Formal Files Office as part of the formal public comment file for this proceeding.

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