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#### 1 I. Identification & Qualifications

#### 2 Q: Mr. Chernick, please state your name, occupation, and business address.

A: My name is Paul L. Chernick. I am the president of Resource Insight, Inc., 5 Water
St., Arlington, Massachusetts.

#### 5 Q: Summarize your professional education and experience.

A: I received a Bachelor of Science degree from the Massachusetts Institute of
Technology in June 1974 from the Civil Engineering Department, and a Master of
Science degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in February 1978 in
technology and policy.

I was a utility analyst for the Massachusetts Attorney General for more than three years, where I was involved in numerous aspects of utility rate design, costing, load forecasting, and the evaluation of power supply options. Since 1981, I have been a consultant in utility regulation and planning, first as a research associate at Analysis and Inference, after 1986 as president of PLC, Inc., and in my current position at Resource Insight. In these capacities, I have advised a variety of clients on utility matters.

My work has considered, among other things, the cost-effectiveness of prospective new electric generation plants and transmission lines, conservation program design, estimation of avoided costs, the valuation of environmental externalities from energy production and use, allocation of costs of service between rate classes and jurisdictions, design of retail and wholesale rates, and performancebased ratemaking and cost recovery in restructured gas and electric industries. My professional qualifications are further summarized in Attachment 1. 1

#### Q: Have you testified previously in utility proceedings?

A: Yes. I have testified over three hundred and fifty times on utility issues before various
 regulatory, legislative, and judicial bodies, including utility regulators in thirty-seven
 states and six Canadian provinces, and three U.S. federal agencies. This previous
 testimony has included planning and ratemaking for distributed resources, distributed
 resource planning, the benefits of load reduction on the distribution and transmission
 systems, utility planning, marginal costs, and related issues.

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I have filed testimony in twelve California PUC proceedings since 2014.

#### 9 Q: Mr. Wilson, please state your name, occupation, and business address.

A: I am John D. Wilson. I am the research director of Resource Insight, Inc., 5 Water St.,
 Arlington, Massachusetts.

#### 12 Q: Summarize your professional education and experience.

A: I received a BA degree from Rice University in 1990, with majors in physics and
 history, and an MPP degree from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government with
 an emphasis in energy and environmental policy, and economic and analytic methods.

I was deputy director of regulatory policy at the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy for more than twelve years, where I was the senior staff member responsible for SACE's utility regulatory research and advocacy, as well as energy resource analysis. I engaged with southeastern utilities through regulatory proceedings, formal workgroups, informal consultations, and research-driven advocacy.

My work has considered, among other things, the cost-effectiveness of prospective new electric generation plants and transmission lines, retrospective review of generation-planning decisions, conservation program design, ratemaking and cost recovery for utility efficiency programs, allocation of costs of service between rate classes and jurisdictions, design of retail rates, and performance-based ratemaking for electric utilities. 1

My professional qualifications are further summarized in Attachment 2.

#### 2 Q: Have you testified previously in utility proceedings?

A: Yes. I have testified more than thirty times before utility regulators in California, the
 Southeast U.S. and Nova Scotia, and appeared numerous additional times before
 various regulatory and legislative bodies. I have testified before the California Public
 Utilities Commission in six proceedings.

#### 7 II. Introduction

- 8 Q: On whose behalf are you testifying?
- 9 A: We are testifying on behalf of Small Business Utility Advocates (SBUA).

#### 10 Q: What is the scope of your testimony?

A: We review SCE's Phase 2 2020 General Rate Case Application, addressing issues of
marginal costs and revenue allocation, rate design, and TOU periods. Our discussion
of rate design recommends that the Commission establish a Track 2 in this proceeding
to consider proposals for Real Time Pricing pilot tariffs. We also recommend that the
Commission consolidate the GS-1 and GS-2 classes, as examined in SCE-04,
Appendix J.

#### 17 III. Marginal Costs and Revenue Allocation

#### 18 A. Marginal Generation Capacity Costs (MGCCs)

#### 19 Q: Please summarize SCE's method for calculating MGCCs.

A: SCE calculates the long-term MGCC based on the expectation that "future capacity needs will most likely be met by 4-hour lithium-ion batteries."<sup>1</sup> Next, as Cal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SCE, Exhibit 2, p. 16, lines 15-16.

Advocates describes it, "SCE then assumes separate batteries are used to serve both peak and flex or ramping needs, which essentially doubles SCE's proposed MGCC for revenue allocation."<sup>2</sup> These costs are then assigned to time periods using SCE's Capacity Allocation Tool.<sup>3</sup>

5 Q: What is your opinion of SCE's method for calculating MGCCs?

A: We generally agree with the use of 4-hour battery storage as the cost basis for
MGCCs. Cal Advocates concurs with the use of the 4-hour batteries but disagrees
with SCE's cost inputs and time horizon.4 We take no position on the MGCC cost
inputs or time-horizon issues.

With respect to the spreading of costs between peak capacity needs and ramping
capacity needs, we disagree with methods proposed by SCE and Cal Advocates.
Instead, we recommend that all MGCC costs be allocated to peak capacity needs as
proposed by PG&E in its most recent Phase 2 GRC.

14 Regarding the Capacity Allocation Tool, we also disagree with the methods
15 proposed by SCE and recommend the use of the methods proposed by PG&E.

Finally, we did not identify any concerns with SCE's method for allocating MGCCs to customer classes but take issue with Cal Advocates' recommendation to change the assignment method for distributed generation (DG) related costs to match the method for renewable portfolio standard (RPS) costs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 4, p. 2, lines 13-15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> SCE-02, p. 19, line 5 through p. 20, line 12.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 4, p. 4.

#### 1 1. Allocation of MGCCs between peak and ramp

#### 2 Why do you recommend against using SCE's method for spreading MGCCs 0: between peak and ramp? 3

We agree with Cal Advocates that SCE's proposal to assign capacity costs to both the 4 A: peak and flex functions, doubling the MGCC from \$90.85 to \$181.70 per kW-year, 5 is inappropriate. Cal Advocates' testimony demonstrates that SCE has failed to 6 provide any support for its proposal to treat peak and ramp generation requirements 7 separately.<sup>5</sup> Essentially all of the critical ramping demands are winter months with no 8 9 contribution to peak-load reliability risk. Peaking and ramping would not compete for the energy stored in the batteries, since SCE's capacity allocation heat maps show 10 that 93% of the ramping demands are on the weekends, when only 3% of the peak 11 contribution occurs.<sup>6</sup> No hour has non-zero peak and ramping. 12

SCE compounds this excessive MGCC by then splitting that \$181.70 per kW-13 year between peak-related capacity (65 percent) and flexible generation capacity (35 14 percent).<sup>7</sup> We were unable to locate any justification for this 65/35 split in SCE's 15 testimony or workpapers, and Cal Advocates does not discuss this split. If \$91 is 16 required by a kilowatt of peak load, we do not see why SCE would allocate 65% of 17 \$182, or \$113, to that peak load. 18

#### Q: Why do you also disagree with Cal Advocate's method for spreading MGCCs 19 20 between peak and ramp?

While we agree with Cal Advocates that the cost of MGCCs should not be doubled, 21 A:

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Cal Advocates argues for splitting the MGCC costs on a 75/25 basis between ramp

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 4, pp. 14-18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> SCE-02, pp. 22-23, Tables I-5 and I-6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> SCE-03, p. 11, lines 11-13. Also verified in SCE's workpaper "GRC Tool.xlsx", tab "Heat Maps," cells AC20:AF22.

and peak, "based on the concept that a 4-hour lithium-ion battery ... would theoretically provide 3 hours of ramping capacity and 1 hour of peaking capacity."<sup>8</sup>

There are two fundamental flaws with Cal Advocates arguments: peaking does not compete with ramping, so no division of the hours of storage is necessary; and the metric for allocating storage between ramping and peaking should not be Cal Advocates' ratio of three hours to one hour.

7 Cal Advocates' argument that storage should be treated as supporting a three-8 hour load and then contributing to peak for one hour is refuted by its own evidence. 9 Cal Advocates notes that "there was only a single instance...where a top 100 ramp period coincided with the same month as a top peak hour...even this single ramp 10 period does not fall on the same day...as any of the top peak hours in the same 11 month."9 Cal Advocates then concludes, "Clearly, it does not make sense to model 12 13 peak and flex functions as if each function requires its own dedicated battery."<sup>10</sup> Equally, it does not make sense to model peak and flex functions as if the functions 14 used storage on the same day. All four hours of capacity are available to serve either 15 peaking or ramping functions, as justified by conditions in different seasons. 16

Furthermore, even if any incremental storage capacity were driven by to ramping, Cal Advocates' approach to allocating the majority of costs to the ramping function is invalid. It is incorrect to identify ramping events as lasting three hours and peaking events as lasting just one hour. Ramping events are defined by a three-hour metric, but they may be shorter or longer than three hours.

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Similarly, periods of net-load peak exposure can definitely last longer than one hour. Even same-day demand response events are called for more than one hour.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 4, p. 18, lines 16-18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 4, p. 16, lines 5-8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 4, p. 17, lines 2-3.

1 There is ample evidence throughout the Commission's review of TOU and CPP event 2 periods, RTP rate design, demand response program design, and countless other 3 proceedings to prove that peaking events often last several hours. In SCE's 2024 peak 4 demand forecast, the peak day includes a seven-hour peak event.<sup>11</sup>

5 A single-peak-hour focus also overlooks operational flexibilities available from 6 energy-limited resources. Hydro resources can be shifted among hours to some extent, 7 output from a battery in the hours around the peak may allow CAISO to use more of 8 the hydro energy in the hour of maximum need. Transmission lines can be loaded to 9 higher levels in the peak hour, if their load can be decreased by using the batteries in 10 near-load hours.

In summary, rather than competing services, ramping and peak capacity are joint 11 12 products of battery storage. Just as raising one steer produces both meat and a hide 13 for leather, building a megawatt of storage produces both ramping and peaking services. It has long been known that efficient pricing of joint products requires 14 allocation of common costs (such as the battery) to the product that requires the most 15 of the common resource and creates the binding constraint on output.<sup>12</sup> Rather than 16 looking at the duration of ramping and peaking events, allocation of the capacity 17 costs, should take into consideration the magnitude of the needs.<sup>13</sup> 18

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> SCE, Generation Capacity Revenue Allocation Model, workpaper SCE-03 – I.C.3.a – Generation Capacity Retail Net Load and Revenue Allocation.xlsx, tab Peak (Net), rows 5905-5911.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> If putting all the common cost on one product would result in decreasing the demand for that product and increasing the demand for the other product, so that the second product now causes the binding constraint, prices should be set so that the two products require the same amount of the common input.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Those needs may be measured in megawatts or megawatt-hours.

SCE's allocation of ramp capacity is driven by a forecasted daily maximum 1 ramp of about 8,400 MW.<sup>14</sup> The 8,400 MW ramping capacity need is concentrated 2 during hour 18 in November and hour 19 in March (which represents 52% of the 3 ramping need), and 93% is on weekends.<sup>15</sup> Based on this finding, SCE allocates a 4 portion of the MGCCs to the winter mid-peak period.<sup>16</sup> In SCE's revenue allocation 5 process, the 6-7 pm weekend hour receives somewhat somewhat smaller allocation. 6 Still, as shown in Table 1, SCE allocates about half of the ramp-related revenue to the 7 8 weekend.

| Type of Day | Hour        | Net Ramp Capacity (Sum of MWs) | Percent |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|---------|
| Weekday     | 5 pm – 6 pm | 7,519                          | 10 %    |
|             | 6 pm – 7 pm | 31,086                         | 40 %    |
| Weekend     | 5 pm – 6 pm | 8,372                          | 11 %    |
|             | 6 pm – 7 pm | 30,242                         | 39 %    |
| Total       |             | 77,219                         | 100 %   |

9 Table 1: Ramp Generation Capacity Allocation by Time and Type of Day<sup>17</sup>

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11 This is significant because SCE's gross load at the end of these ramping events 12 is on the order of 10,000 MW, and the maximum three-hour ramp is under 8,500 MW, 13 less than half the forecast peak for summer weekday net peak capacity requirement 14 of about 17,900 MW.<sup>18</sup> At first blush, the summer peak requirement seems to be the 15 more important driver of total resource needs.

<sup>15</sup> SCE-02, p. 23, Table I-6.

<sup>16</sup> SCE-02, p. D-2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> SCE, Generation Capacity Revenue Allocation Model, workpaper SCE-03 – I.C.3.a – Generation Capacity Retail Net Load and Revenue Allocation.xlsx, tab Ramp, cell T123.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Calculated from SCE, Generation Capacity Revenue Allocation Model, workpaper SCE-03 – I.C.3.a – Generation Capacity Retail Net Load and Revenue Allocation.xlsx.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> SCE-02, p. 22, Table I-5; Generation Capacity Revenue Allocation Model, workpaper SCE-03 – I.C.3.a – Generation Capacity Retail Net Load and Revenue Allocation.xlsx, tab Peak, cell S5908. This

Indeed, in the Extreme Weather Reliability proceeding (R.20-11-003), summer peak events prompted the Commission to increase near-term procurements. For the foreseeable future, the winter ramping capacity requirement is likely to be more than adequately supplied with capacity procured to meet peaking requirements. Cal Advocates proposal to collect 75 percent of MGCCs during winter ramping periods is at odds with the demonstrated capacity requirements of the CAISO system.

SCE does not clearly state why the capacity available to meet the summer peak
capacity requirement is not adequate for meeting ramping capacity.

9 Q: Why do you recommend zero MGCC allocation to the ramping function?

A: In theory, we agree that if both peaking and ramping requirements were to require
 additional storage, then the unit marginal cost of battery storage should be allocated
 to reflect the costs of maintaining reliability and balancing the relative frequency of
 loss of load events (LOLE, a measure of peak capacity risk) and loss of ramp events
 (LORE).<sup>19</sup>

Furthermore, even if ramping capacity requirements were a binding constraint, battery storage is not necessarily the least expensive means of meeting those requirements. The issue of whether peak and ramp capacity should be considered joint costs or separate costs was explored in a workshop convened by SCE in August 2019 to explore revenue allocation for flexible generation.<sup>20</sup> In that meeting, PG&E made a persuasive argument that, since virtually all high-ramp events occur in non-summer

<sup>17,900</sup> MW net peak capacity requirement is forecast during an hour with a forecast gross load of about 18,500 MW. Some hours with lower net peak capacity requirements have forecast gross loads of over 22,100 MW.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> SCE-03, Appendix B, Flexible Generation Capacity (August 22, 2019), p. 9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> SCE-03, Appendix B, Flexible Generation Capacity Revenue Allocation Workshop (August 22, 2019).

months, the least-cost solution for the system is curtailment of renewables at the
 beginning of the ramp.<sup>21</sup>

Following that workshop, in its Phase 2 GRC application, PG&E adopted the position that "the least-cost way to meet flexible capacity constraints ... turned out to be curtailment of contracted solar resources during the first hour of the maximum ramp on Flex need days." PG&E also discussed the uncertainty created by CAISO's 2019 RA Enhancements proposal, and for both reasons, set ramp (or Flex) capacity costs to zero.<sup>22</sup>

Furthermore, curtailment to resolve ramps is not costly: PG&E estimates that
 curtailment represents less than 0.5% of forecasted utility-scale solar generation.<sup>23</sup>
 Because such curtailment costs are captured through MECs and are not related to
 generation capacity investments, it is not reasonable to allocate any MGCC costs to
 ramp. PG&E's argument leaves the question of whether there is any marginal capacity
 requirement during the ramp period as a moot point.

#### 15 2. SCE's method for allocation of MGCCs across hours

#### 16 Q: What are the problems with SCE's Capacity Allocation Tool?

A: While SCE's Capacity Allocation Tool "is intended to be a relative distribution of
 risk used to allocate capacity value across hours based on a 1-in-10 planning
 scenario,"<sup>24</sup> the planning scenario is improperly constructed to achieve that goal.

<sup>24</sup> SCE-02, p. 20, FN 34.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> SCE-03, Appendix B, Jan Grygier, PG&E Discussion Points on Developing and Allocating Flexible Capacity Costs (August 22, 2019), pp. 4-5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> PG&E, Exhibit PGE-2 (A.19-11-019), p. 2-6, line 18 through p. 2-7, line 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> SCE-03, Appendix B, Jan Grygier, PG&E Discussion Points on Developing and Allocating Flexible Capacity Costs (August 22, 2019), p. 6.

1 Specifically, SCE's Capacity Allocation Tool relies on load, wind, solar, and 2 transportation electrification load shapes that are not properly aligned. According to

3 SCE's Capacity Allocation Tool User Guide:

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The Net Load input file ("CAT STEP 1 - 2024 Master File.xlsm") contains the hourly load, wind, and solar shapes. The hourly load is 30 unique system level load shapes based on 30 years of historical weather data that are scaled such that the average annual energy represents the internal energy forecasted by SCE minus distributed generation photo voltaic (DG PV) plus a shape for transportation electrification (TE). DG PV is treated as supply side resources and in the total solar profile input as an annual shape. Wind and solar shapes are the total expected contracted RPS plus forecasted DG PV.<sup>25</sup>

12 The hourly load shapes represent 30 unique weather years, but the transportation 13 electrification load shape and the solar and wind generation profiles are deterministic, 14 and do not vary from year to year.<sup>26</sup>

The 1-in-10 planning scenario is improperly constructed because it does not correlate system load with its solar and wind generation profiles, as naturally occurs. On a cloudy day, solar generation is reduced and system load also tends to be lower. The relationship of wind generation to system load is less straightforward, but generally sunny, calm conditions are associated with higher loads than sunny, breezy conditions. Of course, the relationships are complicated by the varying weather conditions across the CAISO system.

A better practice is to develop system load and renewable energy generation profiles that are based on the same weather years, either using actual historical data or a model. Because of the important role that hydroelectric generation plays on the CAISO system, it is also important to include hydro profiles that are based on those same weather years as well.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> SCE, *Capacity Allocation Tool User Guide*, Attachment 3 (attachment to data request CalAdv-SCE-011-NC, Question 01), p. 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> SCE-02, p. 21, lines 1-27.

# Q: Can you give some examples of how SCE's Capacity Allocation Tool fails to properly relate system load to renewable energy generation profiles?

A: Yes. In Figure 1, we show hourly loads for June 14 for two of the thirty weather-year
scenarios; those are gross loads, before any reduction for distributed solar. The wind
and solar (distributed + utility-scale) generation profiles are uniform across both load
scenarios. While we do not have access to the underlying weather data, it is likely that
WY 5 is a hot, sunny day since demand rises sharply, while WY 7 appears to be more
consistent with a cooler, possibly cloudier and breezier day. Pairing these two load
shapes with the same June 14 solar and wind profiles is improper.

### Figure 1: Net Load for Two Weather-Year Scenarios Compared to Renewable Generation, June 14 Model Forecast



14 load forecast varies significantly from day to day, while the renewable energy

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1 generation profile changes very little. Using WY 20, we see that May 21 appears to be a hot, sunny day, while May 26 appears to be a cooler, possibly cloudy day. The 2 small variation in renewable energy generation (aggregated in this figure to allow for 3 comparison) is almost entirely attributable to wind generation. We surmise that it is 4 unlikely that renewable energy generation would exceed load on May 26 since solar 5 production would be reduced by cloud cover. That same cloud cover would also 6 dampen the ramping requirement on May 26. Modeling a typical solar day on a cool, 7 8 cloudy day would overestimate the ramping requirement.

#### 9 Figure 2: Net Load for Two Forecast Days in a Single Weather-Year Scenarios Compared to Renewable Generation 10

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In Figure 3, we focus on the use of the Capacity Allocation Tool to model ramping events by illustrating a March 10, a weekend day. Again, the load curves exclude distributed solar, and the wind and solar (distributed + utility-scale)

generation profiles are uniform across both load scenarios. While we do not have 1 access to the underlying weather data, it is likely that WY 22 is a hot, sunny day since 2 demand rises sharply, while WY 27 appears to be more consistent with a cooler, 3 possibly cloudy day. Yet because the solar generation profile is identical for both 4 scenarios, WY 27 has a higher 3-hour ramp of 8,102 MW compared to 6,446 MW for 5 WY 22.<sup>27</sup> This might be the opposite of what would likely occur if WY 22 is the 6 sunnier day: Adjusting the scenarios to appropriate levels of solar (more for WY 22, 7 less for WY 27) could result in a larger ramp on the sunny WY 22 day than on the 8 cooler WY 27 day. 9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> These illustrative ramp calculations include only load, solar, and wind generation. SCE's ramp calculations include other considerations.



Figure 3: Net Load for Two Weather-Year Scenarios Compared to Renewable Generation,
 March 10 Model Forecast

While March 10 was not identified by SCE even among its top fifty highest ramping days, the ramp for WY 27 would have ranked in the top three. It is impossible to determine whether pairing solar and wind generation profiles to the weather-year load data would reshuffle the ramping forecast. What is evident is that SCE's use of the Capacity Allocation Tool to identify days and hours with high ramping capacity requirements is flawed.

We recommend against allocating MGCCs to ramping capacity, so it is not necessary to develop a method for allocating capacity to ramping events. If the Commission decides that some MGCCs should be allocated to ramping capacity, our investigation of the Capacity Allocation Tool demonstrates that it should not be used

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1 2 to allocate those costs to specific hours, which is a required step prior to allocating those costs to classes. We do not have the necessary data to develop an alternative.

3 3. Recommended method for allocation of MGCCs across hours

# 4 Q: Is it feasible to develop system load and renewable energy generation profiles 5 using the same weather years?

6 Yes, and this is necessary to allocate MGCCs to hours with net peaking conditions. A: PG&E's Adjusted Net Load (ANL) method uses system load and renewable 7 generation profiles using the same weather-year scenarios, as well as aligning those 8 9 data with nuclear generation and curtailment of renewable resources. PG&E's ANL method involves applying the historical relationship between the ANL, effective 10 market heat rate (EMHR), and energy price drivers such as the price of natural gas 11 and greenhouse gas emission costs to drive forecast values.<sup>28</sup> The ANL method can 12 be summarized as follows.<sup>29</sup> 13

- The solar and wind generation profiles and system load shapes for the most
   recent ten weather years are obtained from the SERVM dataset used in the
   integrated resource plan (IRP).
- The annual totals for load and non-hydro renewables are taken from the IRP
   reference system plan for forecast years.
- The profiles and load shapes are scaled match the annual totals for load and
   non-hydro renewables.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> PG&E, Phase 2 2020 General Rate Case, Exhibit 2, A.19-11-019, pp. 2-11 – 2-36.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> PG&E, Phase 2 2020 General Rate Case, Exhibit 2, A.19-11-019, pp. 2-36 – 2-40.

A more complex method for hydro, nuclear, and curtailment of renewable
 resources completes the development of ten unique weather scenarios of ANL
 data.

PG&E uses these ten scenarios to forecast ANL, effective market heat rate (EMHR),
and energy price data. PG&E calculates an hourly price forecast of wholesale market
energy prices in northern California as equal to the average hourly price over all ten
scenarios. From those hourly prices, PG&E calculates MECs at the transmission
voltage level as a load weighted average value. PG&E made a final adjustment to
MECs to account for the impact of increasing amounts of energy storage on MECs
relative to the calibration period.

#### 11 Q: How does PG&E assign MGCC to appropriate time periods?

A: PG&E assigns MGCC using a formula that assigns zero MGCCs to all hours with ANL less than 80 percent of the forecast peak, and then using a MGCC price that increases linearly with ANL such that the full MGCC is assigned.<sup>30</sup> Then, the total MGCCs for each TOU period (e.g., summer on-peak) are summed and divided by forecast load to derive a period-specific MGCC rate.

#### 17 Q: How do you recommend that SCE assign MGCC to appropriate time periods?

A: We recommend that SCE assign MGCC using PG&E's ANL method. Since PG&E's
 method is publicly available and, for the most part, uses CAISO system data, SCE
 may be able to apply PG&E's hourly ANL values without any modification.

There are some aspects of PG&E's method that we have not closely examined, such as the use of a six-year levelized MGCC value. We do not take a specific position on such details. However, since MGCCs are the basis for certain demand response prices, there may be a benefit to maximizing the alignment between the IOUs'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> PG&E, Phase 2 2020 General Rate Case, Exhibit 2, A.19-11-019, p. 3-3, lines 9-16.

methods for calculating MGCCs to enable a more consistent statewide response to
 critical peak events.

#### 3 4. Assignment of MGCC costs to customer classes

### 4 Q: Do you have any concerns with SCE's method for assigning MGCC costs to 5 customer classes?

6 A: Not at this time, but we will review other parties' testimony on this topic.

# Q: Do you support Cal Advocates' proposal to assign hourly costs related to renewable portfolio standard (RPS) and distributed generation (DG) resources on the same basis?

### 10 A: No. SCE assign DG costs based on distribution marginal cost revenues as with other 11 costs. Cal Advocates proposes to assign DG costs based on each class' share of 12 system-level annual sales. Cal Advocates states that, "RPS and DG are similar 13 resources in the sense that they are both renewable resources and [therefore] should 14 be treated similarly in the revenue allocation process."<sup>31</sup> This is a fundamentally 15 flawed argument.

First of all, Cal Advocates concurs that SCE is correct to allocate hourly RPS generation based on sales but overlooks the regulatory design that drives that allocation. Cal Advocates points to the fact that RPS procurement is driven by policy directives and that customers have no control over which resources are procured. This is true of many, many aspects of generation, distribution, and transmission costs. In fact, one could opine that all utility procurements are driven by policy directives at some level.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 4, p. 23, lines 7-9.

1 The reason that the cost responsibility surcharge (CRS) allocates RPS costs based on sales is that there is no requirement to procure RPS resources or credits to 2 serve any particular load. The above-market costs of SCE's RPS costs are collected 3 from both bundled and unbundled customers, and the market costs are collected from 4 bundled customers on the same basis, the overall quantity of electricity. Electricity 5 sales, at all hours, irrespective of other costs, drives the RPS requirement. There is no 6 regulatory requirement that RPS resources need be procured any particular hour. It 7 8 would be legal for a utility to procure the bulk of its RPS resources in the first half of the year. In the absence of a regulatory mechanism that connects the procurement of 9 RPS resources in an hour to costs in that hour, the CRS correctly uses annual sales to 10 allocate cost responsibility. 11

In contrast, DG-related costs are incurred in specific hours. As Cal Advocates acknowledges in its proposal for a successor net metering tariff, the impacts of DG resource values can be assigned on an hourly basis. For example, DG resource contribution to system capacity can be measured using the avoided cost calculator's hourly system generation capacity value.<sup>32</sup>

17 Cal Advocates' proposal would create a revenue requirement to collect DG-18 related costs generated late at night when the wind is calm as well as during sunny 19 afternoons.<sup>33</sup> Unlike the regulatory mechanism that assigns RPS costs to all kilowatt-20 hours of generation, there is no similar regulatory mechanism for DG resources. It is 21 more reasonable to assign DG-related costs to the hours in which they are incurred, 22 and then to assign those costs among classes just as other hour-specific costs are 23 assigned.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Cal Advocates, Direct Testimony, R.20-08-020 (June 18, 2021), p. 3-13, lines 6-13

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Cal Advocates does not state this explicitly, but a logical extension of its argument is to add DG costs into the CRS mechanism.

#### 1 B. Marginal Energy Costs (MECs)

#### 2 Q: How does SCE calculate MECs?

A: SCE develops a "fundamental price forecast from SCE's internal PLEXOS
 production simulation model."<sup>34</sup> The production costs were developed using an
 hourly net load shape, considering DER generation, based on normal weather
 conditions.<sup>35</sup>

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#### 7 Q: What is your opinion of SCE's method for calculating MECs?

A: We are concerned that SCE's method may not represent expected MECs, since it uses
a year with average conditions. A year with average conditions is unlikely to produce
MECs equal to the average MECs under uncertainty for the period that these rates
will be in effect, any more than the MEC at the average load is the same as the average
MEC over the course of the year. For example, the lower marginal cost of energy
during a low-load year may not balance out the higher marginal cost of energy during
a high-load year.

### To illustrate this point, we analyzed MECs from PG&E's 2020 GRC data for forecast year 2021.<sup>36</sup> This is the same data set we discussed above with respect to MGCCs. The forecast year includes ten weather-year scenarios of energy prices, net loads, and adjusted net loads.

First, we totaled up the net load and adjusted net load (ANL) for each weather year scenario and for the average weather-year. For net load, WY 2013 was
 closes to the average. For ANL, WY 2007 was closest to the average.

<sup>34</sup> SCE-02, p. 23, lines 2-11.

<sup>35</sup> IRP, pp. 46, D.2-2, D.2-9.

<sup>36</sup> PG&E, 2020 Phase 2 General Rate Case (A.19-11-019), workpaper GRC-2020-PhII\_20200720\_Ex02Ch02\_ERRATA\_MEC\_Price\_Model\_Forecast\_10Yrs\_run1\_PROP.xlsx, tab HourlyPrice.

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- Second, we calculated the hourly MECs for WY 2007, WY 2013, and the Average by multiplying the energy price times the net load.
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Table 2: Illustration Comparing PG&E's MECs by Weather-Year Scenario to Average

Third, we totaled the MECs for each of the three years, as shown in Table 2.

|                                       | Total MECs (\$ millions) |
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| Average ANL Conditions (WY 2007)      | \$ 6,663                 |
| Average Net Load Conditions (WY 2013) | \$ 6,812                 |
| Average MECs Across All Scenarios     | \$ 6,540                 |

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Since SCE's method uses normal (average) weather conditions for its forecast,
a weather-year scenario with average net load conditions (i.e., WY 2013) provides a
good representation of PG&E's MECs for a normal weather year. Compared to
PG&E's method of averaging across the ten weather-year scenarios, SCE's method
would overstate PG&E's MECs by about 4%.

This illustration shows that MECs during a normal weather year are not the same as the average MECs over many possible weather-years. SCE makes the mistake of assuming that the relationship of MECs to weather conditions is symmetrical, but energy prices are not correlated to temperature in a manner that balances out on average.

This illustration using PG&E's analysis does not demonstrate the size or direction of the error that may exist in SCE's calculation of MECs. SCE's workpapers do not include the type of data provided by PG&E, so we are unable to propose an improved calculation of MECs.

#### 20 Q: How do you recommend SCE modify its MECs?

A: We recommend that SCE recalculate its MECs using PG&E's method. Since PG&E's method is publicly available and, for the most part, uses CAISO system data, SCE
would need to make only modest modifications to the method to reflect any IOU-specific data such as the marginal costs at SCE's DLAP.

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#### 1 C. Marginal Distribution Costs (MDCs)

#### 2 Q: How does SCE determine and allocate MDCs?

SCE analyzes marginal distribution cost for four sub-functions, which it calls "asset 3 A: types": subtransmission substations (which step voltage down from transmission at 4 115 kV or higher to 66 kV), subtransmission lines (at 66 kV), distribution substations 5 (which step voltage down from transmission, subtransmission, or higher distribution 6 voltages to primary voltages between 2 kV and 33 kV), and distribution feeders.<sup>37</sup> For 7 each asset type, SCE conducts a regression analysis of cumulative load-related 8 investment as a function of the planned capacity added for that asset type.<sup>38</sup> SCE then 9 classifies the costs of each asset type between Peak and Grid investments, allocates 10 the Peak investments in proportion to class contributions to high-load hours on the 11 equipment, and allocates the Grid investments using a complicated analysis of 12 customer non-coincident and co-incident peaks.<sup>39</sup> 13

14 1. SCE's use of project capacities in determination of MDCs

## Q: Do you support SCE's method for determining Marginal Distribution Costs and allocating them by hour?

17 A: No. We identified at least five categories of problems with SCE's methods.

First, the capacity added in a distribution project (or as SCE puts it, the capacity that SCE plans to add by constructing a project) is not a reasonable or useful driver of distribution costs in the MDC computations.

<sup>39</sup> SCE-02, pp. 32, line 3 to p. 52 line 19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> SCE-02, p. 27, note 46.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> SCE-02, p. 29, line 4, to p. 32, line 2.

| 1        |    | Second, SCE classifies a large amount of the load-related costs identified by the  |
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| 2        |    | regressions as being non-load-related, based on spurious arguments and an  |
| 3        |    | unnecessarily complex computation.   |
| 4        |    | Third, SCE treats subtransmission costs as not being time-dependent,   |
| 5        |    | notwithstanding all evidence to the contrary.  |
| 6        |    | Fourth, the thresholds that SCE uses to allocate time-dependent costs are not  |
| 7        |    | well justified.  |
| 8        |    | Fifth, SCE's allocation of costs by hour assumes implausible relationships   |
| 9        |    | between load over the threshold and the contribution to distribution costs.  |
| 10       |    | We also have a few comments, to further improve on Cal Advocates' revisions  |
| 11       |    | to SCE's approach.   |
| 12       | Q: | Why is planned capacity not a reasonable or useful driver of marginal  |
| 13       |    | distribution costs?  |
| 14       | A: | Marginal cost analyses generally establish a relationship between a cost numerator   |
| 15       |    | and a driver denominator. Those drivers are generally various measures of load or  |
| 16       |    | (for metering, billing and the like) customer count. SCE proposes to use its estimates   |
| 17       |    | of the capacity that SCE plans to add by constructing a project, which would be a  |
| 18       |    | highly irregular input to a marginal-cost computation. Cal Advocates recommends  |
| 19       |    | the use of a much more conventional driver (historical maximum demand) as the  |
| 20       |    | independent variable in the MDC regression.40  |
| 21       |    | There are at least five reasons for using load, rather than any measure of   |
| 22       |    | capacity, as the metric for load-related additions.  |
| 23       |    | First, utilities invest in load-related distribution to meet expected load, not  |
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| 24       |    | because of some abstract need for capacity. Load is the driver of costs, with the added  |
| 24<br>25 |    | because of some abstract need for capacity. Load is the driver of costs, with the added capacity being only an intermediate project. As a simple example, if a facility is |

<sup>40</sup> Cal Advocates, p. 2-8, line 17 to p. 2-9, line 10.

planned with an expected maximum load of 2 MVA, and SCE decides engineering constraints require that it install a feeder with a 10 MVA capacity, the MDC computation should be based on the 2 MVA of load, not the 10 MVA of capacity.

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The distinction between load and capacity is also evident in the process of assigning MDCs to hours and customer classes. MDCs are allocated as a price or cost per kilowatt of load (spread out over months or hours, depending on the rate design). SCE can and does estimate the hourly loads of each class but does not have any way to associate kVA of capacity with classes.

9 Second, the capacity SCE chooses to add to its system may not be closely related 10 to customer load growth, as shown by the previous example. A megawatt or less of 11 additional load can result in additions of many megawatts of capacity, especially 12 where additions are constrained by the size of existing equipment that operates in 13 parallel with the new equipment. If a feeder is nearing overload, SCE cannot select 14 from a wide range of wire sizes to add a second feeder, on the same structure or 15 nearby; balancing of loads generally requires similarity of equipment.

Another way to say this is that distribution capacity is lumpy. A small increase in load can trigger the need to duplicate existing capacity (such as by running a second feeder to serve a load area). While generation capacity can generally serve load anywhere in the SCE service territory, and transmission capacity will typically serve a large area, distribution projects are much more localized and excess distribution capacity is often of no real use until load grows in a very specific area.

Third, an increase in load does not necessarily result in an increase in capacity for just one element of the distribution system. SCE has recognized that at least four levels of distribution are necessary to get power from the substation to the final line transformer: subtransmission lines, sub-transmission A-Bank substations, distribution B-bank substations and distribution feeders. As SCE explains: electricity typically goes through three stages of power transformation: from 220 kV to 66 kV (or other subtransmission voltages), from 66 kV to 12 kV (or other primary distribution voltages), and from primary distribution voltages to...secondary voltage. The need for additional capacity is often studied independently at each of these stages in order to accommodate incremental load.<sup>41</sup>

Depending on the geographical location, there may be even more stages. For
example, SCE has distribution substations that transform power from subtransmission
voltages, such as 66 kV, to a primary distribution voltage, such as 12 kV, and
additional substations that transform the power down to a lower primary voltage, such
as 4 kV. An increase in load served at 4 kV may thus result in increases in capacity
on 4 kV and 12 kV feeders, and two levels of distribution substations (e.g., 66 kV to
12 kV and 12 kV to 4 kV), in addition to any increase in subtransmission capacity.

Adding one MVA of capacity at the higher-voltage substation does not increase 13 the amount of load that can be delivered through the lower-voltage distribution 14 15 systems. If SCE adds up the capacity added on 4 kV, 12 kV and 33 kV to meet a load addition, it will be counting the effect of the load addition three times.<sup>42</sup> The same is 16 true where two levels of substations are upgraded. A load addition at another point 17 18 may require only one feeder upgrade and one substation upgrade to increase capacity all the way back to the subtransmission system. So, distribution project capacity has 19 20 little relation to the load driving the costs.

Fourth, subtransmission and distribution systems are usually either networked, so several elements can serve as back-up for one another, or at least looped. In a looped system, if a feeder is interrupted or a substation transformer fails, a switch closes and power flows to the affected area from the other end of the feeder, from a different transformer. An increase in load may require not only a capacity increase on

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> SCE, Exhibit SCE-02, p. 9, lines 14–20.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> And if the capacity on a feeder is added in multiple projects, the same load growth may be counted even more times.

the normal feeder to the area, and the normal distribution substations, but also on the contingency feeder and the substation that feeds it. This is one more reason that the combined capacity additions on all the equipment at multiple stages, measured in kVA, may substantially exceed the load growth that triggers the upgrade.

Fifth, feeders are often upgraded in segments and SCE should not measure the 5 capacity as the sum of the segments' capacity. A new load near the end of a feeder 6 7 may require several projects to upgrade various portions of the feeder; summing up 8 the capacity added in the first mile, the second mile, and so on will produce a value of added capacity greatly exceeding the load that can be carried by the upgrades. In 9 addition, feeders branch. Serving new load may require upgrading a single-phase 10 primary branch to three-phase, reconductoring a three-phase spur from the main 11 12 feeder to the branch and reinforcing the main feeder. The costs of these projects are 13 additive, but the capacity that they add is not.

### Q: Is Cal Advocates correct that "Planned capacity will always incorporate reserve margins"<sup>43</sup>?

Not exactly. In a general sense, utilities always need more kVA of distribution 16 A: capacity than the kW load they serve, for some of the reasons we discussed above. In 17 many cases, utilities will install somewhat larger equipment to ensure compatibility 18 with connected equipment, take advantage of economies of scale, accommodate 19 underestimates of load, and avoid another reinforcement in the near term. While the 20 sum of capacity on all the segments of equipment in an asset type is much greater 21 than the load it serves, most of that difference results from factors quite different from 22 those that drive the generation reserve requirement. 23

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 2, p. 8, line 11.

### Q: What is your response to the MDC regression approaches proposed by SCE and Cal Advocates?

A: The combination of historical and forecast data appears to be appropriate. We have not reached an opinion regarding whether the results of the so-called NERA regression are preferable to the ratio of investment to growth (the Discounted Total Investment Method or DTIM).

As we discussed above, the independent variable used by SCE (cumulative capacity additions) is not useful. Cal Advocates' use of load as a cost driver is a great improvement over the SCE approach.

#### 10 2. Use of historical maximum demand in MDC allocation

# Q: Do you have any concerns about the details of Cal Advocates' regression approach?

A: Yes. Cal Advocates proposes to use historical maximum demand as the independent variable in the cost regression, rather than annual load. That proposal properly recognizes an important consideration, that investments are added to accommodate load growth and usually cannot be uninstalled if load flows. However, distribution capacity is added for expected future loads, not immediately to match actual load as it occurs. Actual load does not drive investment (other than for replacement after loadrelated damage), since the investment needs to be committed and made in advance.

The unprecedented summer peaks in 2020 were not accompanied by a surge in distribution capacity additions, since SCE did not know in 2017, 2018, 2019 or even early 2020 that it would be facing those loads. Similarly, expected load growth will often drive distribution projects, but the growth does not always materialize. The actual load on a feeder or substation may not live up to the forecast, for any of several reasons: new anticipated loads (such as new construction) may be delayed or

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canceled, efficiency and DERs may offset the growth, mild weather may result in
 lower-than-anticipated load for a year (the inverse of the summer 2020 situation),
 economic conditions may reduce power usage, and existing customers may scale back
 or eliminate their load as operations are shifted to other facilities.

# G: What is the alternative to using historical maximum loads, as suggested by Cal Advocates?

A: In preparing its distribution investment plans, SCE must use short- to mid-term
forecasts of load by feeder (or segment), substation, subtransmission line, and so on.
The additions in 2018, for example, would have been based on forecasts developed
in the previous few years (roughly 2014 to 2017), with the earlier forecasts triggering
design, permitting and procurement and some later forecast (probably the 2016
forecast, for many projects) triggering actual construction to meet a 2018 in-service
date.

Rather than using the historical actual peak for each asset type, the regression
 should thus use the historical maximum investment-driving forecast.<sup>44</sup>

# Q: Which forecast should be treated as driving distribution investment in a given year?

A: SCE should review its planning and construction schedules and propose the forecast lag for each asset type. For example, SCE may find that substantial spending and commitment for subtransmission substations is driven by the forecast three years prior to the in-service date, but decisions on most feeders are based on the forecast just one year before the service date. While the timing of commitments will vary among

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> The loads for the forecast years would be the current forecast, which is the basis for estimating additions in those years.

- projects, the loads used in the regression should be as close as possible to the loads
   on which the investment decisions were made.<sup>45</sup>
- Until SCE completes and vets that study, we suggest using the Cal Advocates approach—rolling maximum load—but rather than using the load in each year forecast two years earlier, rather than the actual load in the year. This approach would eliminate the effect of weather variability on the regression.
- 7 Those forecast loads should be applied as the rolling maximum of past forecasts
  8 for each feeder, substation, etc., similar to Cal Advocates' treatment of actual peaks.

#### 9 3. Distinction between peak and grid feeder costs

#### 10 Q: How does SCE allocate the MDCs to time periods and customers?

A: SCE divides costs between Peak Costs (associated with substations and primary 11 "Mainline or Backbone" circuit miles) and Grid Costs (for all subtransmission lines, 12 radial primary and all secondary circuit-miles). The Peak Costs are allocated among 13 14 hours in proportion to the excess of load over a threshold, producing a Peak Load Risk Factor (PLRF) for each hour. Grid Costs are allocated to rate classes using a 15 16 complicated process that purports to estimate the ratio (Effective Demand Factor, or EDF) of customer load at the time of the feeder peak load to the customer's non-17 coincident peaks. 18

# Q: Is it clear that the division of costs between Peak and Grid feeder costs is necessary?

A: No. Both approaches purport to estimate the contribution of classes to feeder peak
 exposure. The PLRF uses class contribution to high-load hours on the feeders, while

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Given the variability in when investment decisions are made, we recommend using the historical maximum of the investment-driving forecasts for each modeled area and asset type.

| 1           | the EDF uses a series of approximations to estimate contribution to load at a single  |
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| 2           | hour. In general, all high-load hours contribute to distribution costs, so the PLRF is a  |
| 3           | more logical approach than the EDF. The PLRF also requires fewer approximations.  |
| 4           | While SCE justifies the classification as being driven by the bidirectional flow  |
| 5           | on some parts of the system, as follows:  |
| 6<br>7<br>8 | "peak" refers the distribution system's peak capacity function in meeting time-<br>variant peak customer demand, whereas "grid" refers to the distribution system's<br>function that enables the bi-directional flow of energy to and from customers. <sup>46</sup> |
| 9           | This justification is not consistent with the methods. The EDFs that SCE uses for the   |
| 10          | items it declares to be "grid" costs do not appear to reflect bi-directional flow. PLRFs  |
| 11          | that SCE uses for the items it declares to be "peak" costs can also reflect bi-directional  |
| 12          | flow.   |
| 13          | Furthermore, bidirectional flow can occur on the main lines and even on   |
| 14          | subtransmission, so the distinction between unidirectional backbone lines and   |
| 15          | bidirectional radial lines does not make sense. So, SCE's justification for using two   |
| 16          | separate allocation methods falls apart.  |
| 17          | SCE then jumps through a series of rhetorical hoops trying to explain why the   |
| 18          | "grid" costs it allocates with the time-sensitive peak-driven EDF cost allocation   |
| 19          | method should be recovered through non-time-differentiated facilities-related   |

20 demand (FRD) charges:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> SCE-02, p. 32, lines 6-8.

While SCE does not dispute some relevance of time sensitivity for grid-related 1 2 assets, the general criteria with which the grid portion of the system has been designed and configured over time has caused those assets to primarily meet the 3 needs of connectivity and the potential to share load-carrying capability. To 4 capture the relatively minor time-dependent nature of such costs, SCE continues 5 to use the EDF methodology when determining rate group contributions to such 6 7 costs but proposes to recover these costs through non-time-differentiated FRD [facilities-related demand] charges.47 8 So, SCE thinks that the radial equipment has only some limited time sensitivity, 9 even though the system must be sized to allow for connectivity of all load at peak 10 times and to provide shared "load-carrying capability." SCE uses a complex peak-11 12 load computation to allocate those costs, only to propose recovering them through non-time-differentiated demand charges. 13 Are the costs of the equipment that SCE would classify as "grid" facilities driven 14 **O**: by load? 15 Yes. The sizing of radial subtransmission and distribution lines is driven by load, as A: 16 are the number of lines. As load grows in an area, utilities add feeders to supplement 17

supply to those areas. An area served with single-phase service at low loads may be
upgraded to two-phase or three-phase service to meet rising load.

20 Utilities also upgrade the voltage along feeders (requiring new higher poles, new 21 insulators, and new line transformers) to increase capacity.

#### 22 Q: What are the approximations required in the EDF?

- 23 A: As SCE explains, the computation of the EDFs require a number of steps:
- Effective demand is expressed as a factor (effective demand factor, or EDF), which is the ratio of a customer's contribution to the peak load on a transmission or distribution circuit to the customer's annual non-coincident peak demand. EDFs vary by type of customer and by the voltage level of the circuit....

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> SCE-02, p. 26, FN 43.

Distribution circuit EDFs are calculated as follows. First, the number of 1 2 customers by rate group is determined for each circuit and is used to develop a profile of the number of customers by rate group on a typical distribution circuit. 3 4 These profiles are calculated for each type of customer, using an average of the 5 circuits weighted by the number of customers of the particular type. ...Next, a 6 Monte Carlo simulation method is used to randomly populate each typical circuit 7 type with customers from SCE's load research samples. This step is performed 8 for each circuit type. Next, individual customers on each simulated circuit are 9 selected, and the contribution of the customer to the circuit peak is determined. For example, if the Monte Carlo simulation is for a typical TOU-8 customer 10 distribution circuit, the effect of one of the TOU-8 customer's load on the circuit 11 12 is calculated. Finally, the second and third steps are repeated a sufficient number of times to produce statistically valid results. A similar approach is used to 13 14 determine EDFs for subtransmission (e.g., 66 kV) circuits. Due to the greater 15 geographic area typically served by these higher voltage circuits, a single typical customer profile is used for all customer types.... 16

17Because EDFs associate an individual customer's peak demand to that customer's18contribution to delivery system demand, the marginal cost revenues associated19with a rate group's design demand are defined as the product of that rate group's20annual non-coincident peak demand, the EDF for that rate group, and the21marginal cost per unit of design demand.48

22 Rather than actual contributions of customers to high-cost periods on each line,

the EDF computation includes the development of average profiles weighted across circuits, development of "typical" circuits, using a Monte Carlo simulation to randomly populate each typical circuit type with customers from SCE's load research samples, selection of some number of simulated individual customers on each simulated circuit, determination of that that simulated customer's contribution to the peak load of the simulated circuit, and repetition for the previous steps.

The results of this process do not seem likely to reasonably reflect the contribution of each class to the need for capacity upgrades. Nor will it provide meaningful guidance as to the portion of the cost allocable to high-demand periods, for TOU rate design.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> SCE-02, p. 50, line 6 to p. 52, line 11.

### Q: What is SCE's justification for classifying subtransmission lines as "grid" rather than "peak" costs?

A: SCE says it does not have hourly data on subtransmission line loads.<sup>49</sup> That is an odd omission, since SCE has hourly data for customers, feeders, distribution substations and sub-transmission substations. It is not clear how SCE operates its complex system in real time without that information. SCE should add that metering data as soon as possible.

8 SCE also makes a functional argument that the subtransmission lines are not 9 sized for peak loads.<sup>50</sup> That argument is hard to follow, as it includes statements that 10 the lines are sized for the peak loads of the substations they serve;<sup>51</sup> acknowledgement 11 that additional subtransmission lines are required for substations over 28 MVA;<sup>52</sup> and 12 contradictory claims that "SCE's subtransmission system is uniquely configured as a 13 radial grid" and that the system operates as a network or sub-network.

SCE admits that its planning of subtransmission lines "to accommodate...(i) directional power flows in normal and contingency scenarios; and (ii) congestion management on the subtransmission network...is typically done for peak load

<sup>49</sup> SCE-02, p. 40, lines 3–5.

<sup>50</sup> SCE-02, p. 34, line 22 to p. 35 line 18).

<sup>51</sup> SCE states that its "subtransmission lines are designed for the non-coincident peak load of the Bbanks they connect." (SCE-02, p. 35, lines 1–2) If those non-coincident peak loads are highly correlated, that may be a useful simplifying assumption. But if the non-coincident peak loads of the distribution substations occur in different seasons, or different times of the day, this practice may be a hold-over from an era in which SCE did not have hourly data for any of its equipment. If so, the method for allocating *marginal* distribution costs related to present-day investments in subtransmission lines should not be determined by outdated practices.

<sup>52</sup> Since the size of the substation is driven by load, the number of substations and of over-28MVA substations are functions of load.
| 1 | conditions."53 SCE then attempts to obscure this reality with a flurry of verbiage that    |
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| 2 | simply points out that the subtransmission system serves other hours as well. The          |
| 3 | same can be said for all utility generation, transmission and distribution facilities, yet |
| 4 | their costs are still time-dependent.  |

# 5 Q: How should the Commission deal with SCE's proposed classification of 6 distribution costs?

- A: The Commission should reject SCE's bifurcation of distribution and require that SCE
  treat all distribution as load related, using the PLRF method.
- 9 For the sub-transmission lines, until SCE has better data, it could average the
- 10 PLRFs for the sub-transmission substations and the distribution substations.

# 11 *4. PLRF thresholds*

# 12 Q: What thresholds does SCE use for the PLRF computations?

- 13 A: SCE proposes to use load thresholds of:
- 90% of annual peak load for subtransmission substations,
- 73% of the average Planning Load level (PLL) for the feeder circuits on a
   substation, for feeders,
- 73% of PLL for distribution substations (using 2024 forecast load, as opposed to historical load).

We agree with Cal Advocates that SCE's proposal to change distribution substations from a threshold of 90% of PLL to 73% requires more justification.<sup>54</sup> In addition, SCE does not provide clear justification for either the 90% of peak load for subtransmission substations nor the 73% of the average PLL for feeders.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>53</sup> SCE-02, p. 35, lines 8–10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 2, p. 19 line 10 to p. 22, line 2.

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## Q: How should SCE design its PLRFs?

A: SCE should be capturing the hours with loads that drive investments, which would
include three factors:

- 4 the highest-load hours,
- the hours that could be highest-load with small shifts of usage patterns and
  weather, and
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• the hours that contribute to heating of distribution equipment, resulting in reduced capacity at a later peak and to faster aging of the equipment.

9 The first two factors reflect the importance to maximum load in determining the 10 sizing of distribution equipment. The third factor reflects the important role of heating 11 on equipment life and capacity. While a generation system may fail almost 12 immediately when supply cannot match demand (resulting in excursions of voltage 13 or frequency), distribution systems rarely fail due to instantaneous load. Equipment 14 that can tolerate 100 units of load for an hour, after a long period of low load, may 15 fail if required to carry 80 units for 24 hours.

While there is little doubt that all of the highest-load hours drive costs due to reliability risk and effects on equipment life, not all hours with 73% or 80% of PLL or annual plant contribute equally to those costs. Those moderately high-load hours are important when they are followed by even higher loads later in the day. A similar moderately high-load hour may have no meaningful reliability risk or effect on equipment life if it is the highest load of the day.

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For example, in Figure I-4 of SCE-02, the important hours may be those on days with the red and pink loads, include the yellow hours prior to the peaks.<sup>55</sup> But the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> That figure aggregates load in a different manner than SCE actually uses in its computations, but it is illustrative.

yellow hours in June and September may contribute almost nothing to the load-related
 costs.

SCE will need to conduct further analysis to develop the PLRF for each 3 distribution subfunction (subtransmission substations, subtransmission lines, 4 distribution substations, primary feeders and secondary lines). SCE should examine 5 the engineering effects of non-peak loads and the associated heat buildup on 6 equipment affects maximum useable capacity and useful life. Based on that analysis, 7 8 it should propose for each asset type a technically-sound approximation, which may include all hours over a near-peak threshold, plus heating-relevant hours on the days 9 of the peaks and near-peaks. 10

# Q: Do you have recommendations regarding the thresholds for the PLRF for each subfunction?

A: Not at this time. We expect to have more information and be able to make interim
recommendations in our rebuttal testimony.

# Q: Aside from the issues of setting the threshold, do you have any concerns about SCE's computation of the PLRFs?

- A: Yes. SCE computes the hourly PLRF contribution as zero in hours below the
  threshold and full load for hours at or above the threshold.<sup>56</sup> This approach is
  illustrated in SCE Figure I-5.<sup>57</sup> If the threshold is 73% of PLL, the PLRF contribution
  would be 0 at 72.9% of PLL, 0.73 at 73%, and 1.0 at 100%.
- This approach makes no sense. If load imposes no cost at 72.9%, the cost at 73% must be small, but SCE assumes that the cost at 73% of PLL is nearly as high as the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> SCE-02, p. 40, line 9 to Equation 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> SCE-02, p. 42, Figure I-5.

1 2 cost at 90% of PLL. Neither the risk that the 73% hour will become the peak hour, nor the effect of the 73% hour on heating, could possibly justify that discontinuity.

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The SCE approach is almost equivalent to a simple count of the hours over the 73% threshold. It is not an effective measure of load-related stress or risk.

# 5 Q: What would be a more reasonable computation of PLRF?

A: The PLRF contribution should start at zero at the threshold and rise smoothly, as a
 function of load-threshold, for load above threshold.<sup>58</sup> This is the approach taken by
 PG&E in its comparable computations.<sup>59</sup> Implementing this approach would not
 require any significant additional effort.

# 10 D. Marginal Customer Access Costs (MCACs) and Customer Charges

# 11 Q: Please describe SCE and Cal Advocates' positions on MCACs.

A: SCE proposes to use the real economic carrying charge (RECC) methodology for
 capital-related marginal customer costs, while Cal Advocates recommends the
 Commission continue to rely on the new customer only (NCO) method for SCE, as it
 has since 1995.

16 Cal Advocates proposes several adjustments to the NCO method as presented 17 by SCE in Exhibit SCE-02, Appendix E. Several of these simply conform the NCO 18 method results to Commission policy, such as excluding uncollectibles as affirmed in 19 D.17-09-035,<sup>60</sup> in which the Commission decided which costs should be eligible for 20 recovery through a residential fixed charge. We agree with Cal Advocates regarding 21 the reasoning expressed in their testimony for continuing to use the NCO method to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> For simplicity, the function may be assumed to be linear, although both the risk of peak and the heat-related effects are likely to increase faster than load.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> PG&E, 2020 General Rate Case Phase II, Exhibit PG&E-2 (A.19-11-019), Ch. 8, pp. 5-11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> D.17-09-035, p. 19.

1 2 determine *marginal* customer access costs. We recommend that the Commission explicitly endorse Cal Advocates' method for this proceeding.

# 3 Q: Please describe SCE and Cal Advocates' positions on the customer charge.

A: SCE proposes to scale up the per-customer MCAC on an equal percent marginal cost
 (EPMC) basis.<sup>61</sup> Cal Advocates objects to applying the EPMC scalar to the customer
 charge.

We agree with Cal Advocates that the EPMC scalar should not be applied to the 7 customer charge, and that instead those costs should be recovered through volumetric 8 9 distribution rates. Cal Advocates recommends that the Commission extend to small business customers the treatment used for residential customers in D.17-09-035.62 In 10 that decision, the Commission determined that the customer charge should be limited 11 to recovery of "customer-specific" costs including billing, customer inquiry, and 12 establishing meters, service drops, and final line transformers. The Commission stated 13 14 that the "EPMC recovers embedded distribution costs which are a mix of demandrelated and customer-related costs. Inclusion in fixed charges would be inappropriate 15 and could unfairly penalize small customers."<sup>63</sup> 16

17 Cal Advocates suggests that the arguments in the residential fixed charge 18 decision apply equally to the circumstances of small business customers. For the most 19 part, we agree.

In one respect, however, the Commission should treat commercial customers differently than residential customers. The Commission found that, "The need to differentiate between customer sizes is most because the fixed charge calculation adopted in this decision includes only those customer costs that are the same for each

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> SCE-04, p. 5, lines 6-7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 8, p. 6, line 20 – p. 7, line 9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> D.17-09-035, p. 28.

residential customer.<sup>364</sup> In the case of commercial customers, customer costs vary widely, as indicated by one phase or three phase service, shared or dedicated final line transformers, and other customer-selected service levels.<sup>65</sup> This difference can easily be accommodated within the framework adopted in D.17-09-035 by allowing for customer charges to vary based on customer-dependent service levels.

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## Q: How would SCE's proposed MCACs affect small businesses?

- A: Small businesses would be disproportionately impacted by SCE's proposal. SCE
  proposes to increase the monthly customer charge for TOU-GS-1 from \$11.10 (as of
  June 2020) to \$19.50, which is a 76 percent increase.
- In contrast, only one other rate (TOU-PA-2) would experience an increase in the
   customer charge. All other customers would experience a decrease or, in the case of
   residential customers, no change.<sup>66</sup>
- Cal Advocates' proposal would result in monthly customer charge of \$4.75.<sup>67</sup> Other customer classes would also receive lower customer charges since Cal Advocates' proposed MCACs are lower for every customer class.<sup>68</sup> This change requires compensating adjustments to distribution rates for each customer class to recover the same revenue in the form of higher marginal costs and EMPC scalars for volumetric and demand rates.

- <sup>67</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 8, p. 8, Table 8-3.
- <sup>68</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 1, p. 3, Table 1-2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> D.17-09-035, COL 15, p. 59.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>65</sup> As discussed below, final line transformer costs vary widely among small-commercial customers, and we recommend improvements to the customer charge structure. In this docket, simply adopting Cal Advocates' recommendation would constitute adequate movement toward more realistic customer charges.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>66</sup> SCE-04, p. 6, Table II-1.

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## Q: What customer charges do you recommend?

A: We recommend that the Commission adopt Cal Advocates' proposals for MCACs
 and for applying EPMC scaled costs to the volumetric distribution rates, but not to
 the TOU-GS-1 customer charge, resulting in a monthly customer charge of \$4.75.<sup>69</sup>

- 5 Q: Do either SCE or Cal Advocates argue in favor of strictly applying marginal-6 cost principals to customer access costs?
- 7 A: No. Cal Advocates provides a straightforward explanation as to why customers are

not charged the full marginal cost of connecting to the grid at the time of connection.

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9 Economic theory indicates that the most economically efficient price signal is sent when the decision to connect to the grid is marginal. For customers and 10 developers considering whether to hook up to the grid, it is optimal that they be 11 charged the full cost of connecting to the grid up front at the time when that 12 decision is being made. They would be provided the price information needed to 13 14 make an economically rational decision about whether the value they derive from 15 connecting to the grid exceeds the cost of doing so. Charging customers the full cost to connect to the grid up front would mean excluding the capital costs 16 associated with connecting customers to the grid from the revenue requirement. 17

18 In fact, most of these capital costs are recovered from all ratepayers through 19 service and distribution line extension allowances. These allowances socialize 20 these costs so that new customers are not responsible for paying the full cost up front to connect to the grid. In other words, each customer pays a small share of 21 22 the costs for connecting new customers to the grid each year. While this method 23 does not send the most economically efficient price signal to customers deciding 24 whether to connect to the grid, it allows new customers to receive electric service without having to shoulder the full cost of connecting to the grid at the time of 25 connection. Socializing new customer connection costs in this manner makes 26 connecting to the grid more financially feasible and allows more customers to 27 take electric service than could otherwise afford to.<sup>70</sup> 28

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>69</sup> As discussed below, we are recommending consolidation of TOU-GS-1 and TOU-GS-2, with a service level differentiation of customer charges applied to the consolidated TOU-GS-1 tariff, so the \$4.75 calculation would need to be updated with consolidated costs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 1, p. 3, line 13 through p. 4, line 14. Footnotes in original are omitted from the quotation.

#### 1 **Q:** Does either the NCO method or the RECC method provide a sound connection between the choices that customers make and the costs that are caused by those 2 choices? 3

No. In both the NCO and RECC methods, "each customer pays a small share of the 4 A: costs for connecting new customers to the grid each year."<sup>71</sup> Customers are paying 5 for the choices of other customers, and not even at the same time that those choices 6 7 are made.

8 More specifically, Cal Advocates states that the NCO method "simulates the socialization of customer connection equipment costs" and that the RECC method 9 relies on unrealistic assumptions "about how existing customers could reduce their 10 usage of connection equipment to allow an additional customer to connect to the 11 grid."<sup>72</sup> While we are persuaded that the NCO method is more reasonable than the 12 13 RECC method, neither method is consistent with marginal cost theory because neither method sends clear and actionable price signals. 14

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#### What do you mean by clear and actionable price signals? **O**:

The portions of rates related to generation and the grid (transmission and distribution) 16 A: send clear and actionable price signals because they align short- and long-term 17 marginal costs with the decisions customers make regarding how much electricity 18 they use and when they use it. As the Commission guides TOU rates, including CPP 19 20 rates, towards more fully reflecting marginal costs, customer decisions will be better informed by the price signals, and customers can take action to reduce energy use or 21 shift use to other time periods. 22

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 1, p. 4, lines 8-9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> Cal Advocates, Ch. 1, p. 6, lines 5-6, 8-13.

- 1 Q: What is the sticking point in resolving the NCO and RECC method debate?
- 2 A: Direct Access Consumer Coalition (DACC) Witness Mark Fulmer briefly explained
- 3 this continuing argument in PG&E's ongoing 2020 Phase 2 GRC, as follows:

The NCO versus RECC method debate has being going on for over 30 years. 4 Both sides claim to be right, generally using the same arguments year after year. 5 I find both sides' arguments to contain fatal flaws. With respect to the RECC 6 7 method, I concur with PAO when it points out that the NCO method better 8 simulates how connection costs are incurred and in isolation, and, depending 9 upon how they are implemented, can be more consistent with marginal cost 10 theory. With respect to the NCO method, I concur with PG&E when it points out that the NCO method, for revenue allocation purposes, completely fails when 11 there is little or no or negative load growth in a particular customer class.<sup>73</sup> 12

- 13 The Commission has chosen to leave this question unresolved. In D.17-09-035,
- 14 the Commission stated,

We find that parties have made significant progress in articulating and presenting 15 pros and cons of various methods for calculating capital-related customer costs 16 17 in this proceeding. We recognize the merits of each method and some of the ways 18 in which these methods can be further improved, as illustrated by the Energy 19 Division's proposal to adjust the rental method and the Joint Parties suggestion 20 to modify the NCO method. We see value in using a uniform method across 21 utilities to maintain consistency; however, given the lack of consensus on this 22 issue, the significant variation of customer costs that may result from each 23 method, and the possible broader implications in General Rate Cases from pre-24 selecting a method, we will not adopt a single method to calculate capital-related 25 customer costs at this time. We would like parties to continue exploring capitalcost calculation methods towards the goal of developing a more universally 26 27 applied method. We also direct the utilities to show their range of results applying 28 the methods discussed in this proceeding, namely the rental method, the NCO, the adjusted rental methods, and other alternatives to be developed going forward, 29 if any, when they propose a fixed charge in the future.<sup>74</sup> 30

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>73</sup> DACC, Direct Testimony of Mark Fulmer (A.19-11-019), p. 12, lines 3-11. Footnotes in original are omitted from the quotation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> D.17-09-035, pp. 38-39.

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#### **Q:** How should customer access costs be allocated?

A: DACC Witness Fulmer recommended that the Commission should allocate customer access costs based on embedded costs, with the total customer access costs for each customer class being assigned to each class. We agree with him that this "would provide the fairest alternative as it would assign costs to the classes which incurred those costs, in accordance with traditional cost causation principles."<sup>75</sup>

# Q: Has the Commission considered embedded cost allocation for customer access costs?

A: Not recently. However, while embedded-cost allocation was not explicitly discussed
in D.17-09-035, the Commission's decision took a step in that direction. As discussed
above, the Commission has explicitly rejected the recovery of distribution costs above
the MCAC in residential customer charges via the EPMC scalar.<sup>76</sup> That decision
leaves the above-MCAC customer-related costs that are allocated to the residential
class to be collected from the volumetric distribution rates.<sup>77</sup>

The Commission can now take an additional step and require that SCE develop an embedded-cost allocation of customer access costs by class, with no more than the marginal cost to be recovered through the customer charge for any class. This step

<sup>76</sup> D.17-09-035, p. 28.

<sup>77</sup> The basic formula in California rate practice is: Utility Revenue Requirement = Embedded Costs
 = Marginal Costs x EPMC Scalar. The Commission explained this as follows:

Marginal cost revenue is revenue that would be collected if all the customers were charged at marginal cost. In contrast, utility revenue requirement is typically based on embedded (historical) costs as included in rate base. Because of the gap between authorized revenues and the marginal cost-based revenues, utilities typically multiply marginal cost revenue with a scalar, called equal percentage of marginal cost or EPMC scalar, to cover this shortfall. The EPMC scalar denotes the percentage by which the authorized distribution revenue requirement, which includes marginal and non-marginal customer costs, is below or above the marginal cost revenue. (D.17-09-035, p. 25)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>75</sup> DACC, Direct Testimony of Mark Fulmer (A.19-11-019), p. 12, lines 16-18.

would eliminate the cross-subsidization of distribution and customer-access costs, as
 well as ending the NCO vs RECC debate. As DACC Witness Fulmer testified,
 adopting an embedded cost method for customer access costs "would end the absurd
 perpetual motion machine of the NCO versus RECC debate."<sup>78</sup>

Do you recommend that embedded cost allocation be adopted in this proceeding? 5 **0**: 6 A: While we would support such a decision, we are realistic that implementing such a 7 decision in this proceeding would be difficult. In D.17-09-035, the Commission suggested that in future proposals for fixed charges, the "range of results applying the 8 9 methods" should be shown by the utilities in GRCs. We recommend that the Commission direct SCE to perform an embedded cost study of its customer access 10 11 costs for its next GRC, and present rates including uniform customer charges (with appropriate service level differentiation such as three-phase service) based on those 12 embedded costs. For all customer classes, the scope of customer costs should follow 13 14 the D.17-09-035 guidelines for customer charges.

#### 15 IV. Rate Design

### 16 A. New Real-Time Pricing Tariffs

# Is SCE proposing a real-time pricing (RTP) tariff using wholesale market prices from CAISO?

A: No. SCE states that it will "continue to explore the opportunity" to design such a rate
 upon completion of SCE's Customer Service Re-Platform (CSRP) implementation.<sup>79</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>78</sup> DACC, Direct Testimony of Mark Fulmer (A.19-11-019), p. 12, lines 18-19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> SCE-04, p. 58, lines 6-8.

# Q: Are SCE's current RTP schedules "real-time pricing" rates, as that term is generally understood?

A: No. An RTP rate is generally understood to provide a direct link between customer prices and contemporaneous marginal supply costs. SCE's RTP schedules are based on pre-set hourly prices. There are three summer weekday hourly pricing profiles and two profiles each for weekends and winter weekdays, The profiles are based on the prior day's maximum temperature.

8 We will not list all the reasons this rate design is not an RTP rate, but the lack 9 of any meaningful link to wholesale prices is disqualifying, as is the failure to reflect system conditions. Nonetheless, we are aware that this rate design has certain benefits, 10 such as for agricultural users who must plan pumping schedules in advance to position 11 12 equipment and schedule water delivery. We encourage SCE to collaborate on 13 improvements to this rate with the limited set of customers who need the level of predictability it provides. For example, the tariff could use a link to day-ahead forecast 14 rather than prior day maximum temperatures. 15

Fundamentally, this rate is more like a more complicated CPP rate than an RTPrate.

### 18 Q: Should a real-time pricing tariff be proposed in this proceeding?

- A: Yes. We will cite three recent indications that California's energy policy is
  encouraging rapid development of RTP tariffs.
- First, the California Energy Commission is undertaking the 2020 Load Management Rulemaking (Docket #19-OIR-01) to expand on efforts to increase efficiency and demand flexibility in California's electricity grid. One of the four proposed amendments. In April, CEC staff presented four proposed amendments to

the Load Management Standards, including "Develop and submit locational rates that
 change at least hourly to reflect marginal wholesale costs."<sup>80</sup>

Second. CPUC Energy Division staff have released a draft DER Action Plan 2.0 3 Update for 2021-2026. Of the four tracks discussed in the action plan, the "Load 4 Flexibility and Rates" track is heavily focused on RTP rates, mentioning them in 5 thirteen of the twenty action elements. For example, one draft action element states, 6 "By 2024, all utility customer classes have access to multiple rate options, including 7 8 dynamic and RTP rate pilots that are informed by focus group research and supported by ME&O programs to match various customer preferences and engagement 9 levels."81 10 Third, in the PG&E 2020 Phase 2 GRC proceeding, ALJ Doherty ruled that, 11

12 In its 2019 decision denying a petition for rulemaking (D.19-03-002), the 13 Commission reiterated that new dynamic rate designs can, and should, be 14 addressed in individual utility general rate cases (GRCs). The Commission found 15 in that the "analysis of a particular utility's costs and billing determinants in GRC 16 Phase 2 proceedings is essential to the task of rate design, including... RTP 17 tariffs." (D.19-03-002, Finding of Fact 12). In other words, a specific RTP rate proposal should be made and evaluated in the individual utility's GRC Phase 2 18 proceeding.<sup>82</sup> 19

- While this ruling does not apply to SCE's application, there is no meaningful difference between the circumstances of PG&E and SCE.
- 22 SCE's stated reason for not developing new RTP rate designs—its ongoing 23 CSRP implementation—is unpersuasive. We agree that SCE will need to complete
- its CSRP implementation before programming an RTP rate pilot into its system, but

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>80</sup> Karen Herter, *Proposed Amendments to the Load Management Standards*, Draft Staff Analysis (April 12, 2021), Efficiency Division, California Energy Commission, p. 11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> CPUC Energy Division, Draft Distributed Energy Resources Action Plan: Aligning Vision and Action (July 23, 2021), p. 8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>82</sup> Ruling of ALJ Doherty, PG&E Phase 2 General Rate Case (A.19-11-019), August 27, 2020.

| 1  |                 | the timing of launching an RTP rate pilot and CSRP implementation are not in  |
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| 2  |                 | conflict. Even without the CSRP implementation, it is unlikely that a new RTP rate  |
| 3  |                 | could be launched by SCE earlier than 2024.   |
| 4  |                 | For example, in the PG&E proceeding, the proposed schedule for the PG&E   |
| 5  |                 | Commercial Electric Vehicle Day-Ahead Hourly RTP Pilot (A.20-10-011) <sup>83</sup> requires   |
| 6  |                 | 18 months after a final Commission decision, as follows.  |
| 7  |                 | • Pilot planning – 3 months   |
| 8  |                 | • Recruitment and rate technology development – 8 months  |
| 9  |                 | • Pilot billing system programming – 7 months   |
| 10   |                 | While PG&E's timeline is somewhat elongated due to its own billing system   |
| 11   |                 | overhaul, an RTP pilot launch requires significant work in parallel with the overhaul.  |
| 12   |                 | Delaying the RTP until the next GRC is unnecessary, fails to address the  |
| 13   |                 | Commission's intent in D.19-03-002, and will result in SCE missing the draft Energy   |
| 14   |                 | Division goal for RTP pilots by 2024.   |
| 14   |                 |   |
| 14   | Q:              | What do you recommend regarding RTP?  |
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>83</sup> Attachment 6.

identified through the extensive work in the PG&E proceeding should be very
 relevant to SCE.

## 3 B. Consolidating GS-1 and GS-2 Classes

### 4 Q: Please summarize the issue of combining the GS-1 and GS-2 classes.

In Exhibit SCE-04 Appendix J, SCE provides a study of the appropriate demand 5 A: threshold for a customer to qualify as a small business resulting from a settlement 6 7 agreement approved by the Commission in the 2018 GRC Phase 2 Decision (D.18-11-027). SCE's current cutoff level of 20 kW between TOU-GS-1 and TOU-GS-2 is 8 lower than similar tariffs used by PG&E, the Los Angeles Department of Water and 9 Power, and Sacramento Municipal Utility District. SBUA's position is that including 10 more customers in the small commercial class would facilitate delivery of programs 11 12 and assistance to small businesses.

SCE states that it has not developed a position on this study, but "will consider and evaluate parties' positions on the study, and whether and how the findings should be implemented."<sup>84</sup> SCE did not discuss these findings with SBUA prior to filing this study in this application.

17 Q: What is your opinion of the study?

A: SCE's study provides strong support for consolidating the GS-1 and GS-2 customer
classes. The study found that, "The average rates and ensuing bills of both options D
follow the same pattern, albeit separated by a difference resulting from the revenue
allocations. Thus, it is not a stretch to presume that a common rate structure may work
for both populations should they be grouped together in the same class."

- 23 However, the analysis raises several issues, including:
- Customer charge,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>84</sup> Attachment 4 (SCE response to SBUA-SCE-002-JW, Question 05(c)).

| 1  |    | • Accounts serving primarily lighting load, and  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----|----|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 2  |    | • Customers with demand at the high end of the GS-2 class.                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3  |    | In addition, the default rate would need to be reconciled, and an issue with SCE's     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4  |    | Level Pay Plan should also be resolved.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5  |    | As discussed below, we believe each of these issues can be addressed, and the          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6  |    | Commission should consolidate GS-1 and GS-2 customer classes in this proceeding.       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7  | Q: | What is the issue with the customer charge?  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8  | A: | As shown in Table 3, the marginal cost of access, including transformer, service drop, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9  |    | and meter is substantially lower for GS-1 customers than for GS-2 customers. This is   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 |    | due to the different levels of service provided by the transformer and service drop.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## 11 Table 3: Total Marginal Customer Costs for GS-1 and GS-2 Classes

# Table J-3 Marginal Customer Costs

| Group | Customer Size | Phase  | Designed kW<br>per Customer                          | Transformer<br>Description         | Number of<br>Customers<br>Connected to<br>Transformer | Transformer<br>Cost | Marginal Cost<br>of Access<br>(TSM) |
|-------|---------------|--------|--|------------------------------------|---|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| GS-1  | N/A           | Single | 5-7 KW   | 75KVA 12KV<br>120/240 1P+          | 10  | \$5,044.91          | \$2,427.08                          |
| GS-1  | N/A           | Three  | 5-7 <b>k</b> W                                       | 75KVA 12KV<br>120/208Y 3P+         | 6   | \$10,354.52         | \$4,194.69                          |
| GS-2  | Small         | Single | 25-80kW  | 75KVA 12KV<br>120/240 1P 1 \$6,170 |   | \$6,170.03          | \$9,487.02                          |
| GS-2  | Small         | Three  | ree 25-80kW 75KVA 12KV<br>120/208Y 3P+ 1 \$10,354.52 |                                    | \$14,907.91   |                     |                                     |
| GS-2  | Medium        | Three  | 130-165kW  | 150KVA 12KV<br>120/208Y 3P+        | 1   | \$11,948.61         | \$17,428.65                         |

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Currently, the monthly charges are \$13.90 for TOU-GS-1 and \$158.71 for TOU-GS-2. SCE is proposing monthly charges of \$19.50 for TOU-GS-1, with an additional charge of \$0.82 for three phase service, and \$110.65 for TOU-GS-2, with an additional charge of \$6.58 for three phase service. The cost basis for these charges is shown in Table 4. Even though SCE is proposing three-phase service charges, the majority of the cost differentiation between single-phase, three-phase, and primary-voltage customers is not carried through to the proposed rates.

# 1 Table 4: Proposed Annual Customer Marginal Costs

# Table I-18 Customer Marginal Costs (2021\$)

| Rate Group                   |                  | Capital           | O&M               | Total             |
|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                              |                  | (\$/Customer/Yr.) | (\$/Customer/Yr.) | (\$/Customer/Yr.) |
| Domestic                     |                  | 123.60            | 20.65             | 144.25            |
|                              | Single Family    | 126.56            | 18.74             | 145.30            |
|                              | Multiple         | 82.33             | 18.74             | 101.07            |
|                              | TOUs             | 127.56            | 19.02             | 146.58            |
|                              | Dom-Master Meter | 1,051.77          | 156.55            | 1,208.32          |
| GS-1                         |                  | 176.25            | 22.45             | 198.70            |
|                              | Single Phase     | 97.83             | 21.88             | 119.71            |
|                              | Three Phase      | 282.85            | 23.24             | 306.09            |
|                              | Primary          | 955.49            | 21.32             | 976.81            |
| TC-1                         |                  | 78.23             | 21.78             | 100.01            |
| TOU GS-2                     |                  | 1,617.08          | 161.24            | 1,778.32          |
|                              | Single Phase     | 1,051.77          | 156.55            | 1,208.32          |
|                              | Three Phase      | 1,695.32          | 161.91            | 1,857.23          |
|                              | Primary          | 955.49            | 149.69            | 1,105.17          |
| TOU GS-3                     |                  | 2,798.19          | 641.01            | 3,439.20          |
|                              | Secondary        | 2,844.92          | 643.14            | 3,488.06          |
|                              | Primary          | 1,344.96          | 626.13            | 1,971.09          |
| TOU-8                        |                  | 2,249.70          | 633.34            | 2,883.04          |
|                              | TOU-8-Sec        | 1,406.20          | 636.10            | 2,042.29          |
|                              | TOU-8-Pri        | 1,456.68          | 626.13            | 2,082.81          |
|                              | TOU-8-Sub        | 13,873.18         | 626.13            | 14,499.31         |
| AG <= 200                    |                  | 1,035.86          | 164.56            | 1,200.42          |
|                              | Single Phase     | 505.74            | 159.30            | 665.05            |
|                              | Three Phase      | 1,099.25          | 165.19            | 1,264.43          |
| AG > 200                     |                  | 2,372.98          | 567.52            | 2,940.50          |
|                              | 3 Phase          | 2,443.22          | 567.52            | 3,010.74          |
|                              | Primary          | 388.48            | 567.52            | 956.00            |
| Street Lights (per customer) |                  | 97.83             | 21.76             | 119.59            |
| Unmetered *(per lamp)        |                  |                   |                   |                   |
|                              | LS-1             | 2.33              | 0.00              | 2.33              |
|                              | LS-2             | 0.93              | 0.02              | 0.95              |
|                              | OL               | 2.33              | 0.22              | 2.55              |
|                              | DWL              | 1.09              | 0.01              | 1.10              |

\*Unmetered includes both a customer and per lamp customer marginal cost.

# Q: How do you recommend customer charges be set for a consolidated GS-1 customer class?

A: To provide fair monthly customer charges, we recommend that customer charges be differentiated as shown in Table 5. This will capture the key elements that distinguish customer access costs among commercial customers, while remaining relatively simple.

### 7 Table 5: Recommended Customer Charges Structure for a Consolidated GS-1 Class<sup>85</sup>

|                       | Single Phase | Three Phase | <b>Primary Service</b> |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Shared Transformer    |              |             |                        |
| Dedicated Transformer |              |             |                        |

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### 9 Q: What is the issue with accounts primarily serving lighting loads?

A: SCE identified that the average daily profile of accounts serving less than 4 kW in
 peak demand have an inverted load profile with higher usage during the nighttime.
 Many of these accounts are likely to be used mainly for lighting, whether for
 traditional commercial purposes, such as exterior lighting, but also for interior multi family residential purposes such as hallways. As many as two-fifths of the GS-1 and
 GS-2 accounts may fit into this category, although they represent less than 4 percent
 of total annual sales.<sup>86</sup>

17 SCE comments that "it would seem consistent with the principle used in the 18 division of classes to migrate them out of General Service and into a lighting rate."<sup>87</sup>

- 19 However, SCE has not determined what appropriate schedule (AL, OL, DWL) these
- 20 customers might be migrated to.<sup>88</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>85</sup> There is insufficient information in the workpapers to calculate the proposed customer charges.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>86</sup> Calculated from data provided in SCE-04, Appendix J, Tables J-1 and J-2, and Figure J-3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>87</sup> SCE-04, Appendix J, p. J-7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>88</sup> Attachment 4 (SCE response to SBUA-SCE-002-JW, Question 05(e)).

# Q: Do you support migrating accounts primarily serving lighting loads to a lighting schedule?

A: Yes. SCE has provided solid evidence that this would be appropriate and generally in
the customer's interest. Customers who prefer to stay on TOU rates should be allowed
to do so.

## 6 Q: What is the issue for customers with demand at the high end of the GS-2 class?

7 A: Although SCE did not raise this issue in its study or data response, we noticed that there is a group of over 11,500 customers with peak demand of 150 kW to 200 kW, 8 including 4,616 whose peak demand is rated at exactly 200 kW.<sup>89</sup> While there is no 9 identified cost allocation issue with including these customers in a consolidated GS-10 11 1 class, there may be good reasons to migrate these customers to GS-3 customer class. For example, if most of these customers have higher customer access costs than other 12 GS-2 customers, the resulting customer access costs may be more consistent within 13 14 the consolidated GS-1 customer class. We also note that PG&E's small light and power rates eligibility boundary is 75 kW. 15

# 16 Q: What do you recommend with respect to customers with demand in the higher 17 end of the range?

A: We recommend that the Commission include these customers in the consolidated GS1 class but require SCE to study this issue further. If justified by further study, SCE
could be permitted to shift higher demand customers into the GS-3 class when
finalizing the consolidated rates and tariffs.

An alternative would be to simply shift the smallest GS-2 customers into GS-1 and retain a GS-2 class for larger customers, such as using the 150 kW threshold we observed. This could result in a fairly small customer class. Potential disadvantages

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>89</sup> SCE-04, Appendix J, Figure J-3, p. J-5.

- of a small customer class include rate design complications due to a heterogeneous
   customer mix, excessive cost in maintaining a full range of rate options/riders, and
   unnecessary cost for customizing customer outreach.
- 4 Q: Why does the default rate need to be reconciled as part of consolidation?
- A: The default rate for TOU-GS-1 is Option E, while TOU-GS-2 customers are defaulted
  to Option D. SCE does not discuss this difference in Appendix J. We recommend that
  the default rate for the consolidated TOU-GS-1 should remain Option E, but that all
  existing accounts would remain on their existing rate option, to minimize disruption.
  For example, a customer on TOU-GS-2-D would be migrated to TOU-GS-1-D.
- 10 Q: What is the issue with SCE's Level Pay Plan?
- A: SCE's level pay plan (LPP) gives customers (including those in GS-1, but not G-2)
   the option to pay a flat bill for 11 months with an annual true-up to account for
   accumulated differences between actual and levelized bill amounts. Commission
   decision D.00-06-034 prohibits the expansion of LPP to other rate groups, so
   consolidation of GS-1 with GS-2 could result in effectively expanding LPP to include
   GS-2 customers.
- 17 Q: What terms do you recommend for the LPP in a consolidated GS-1 tariff?
- A: To maintain compliance with D.00-06-034, LPP eligibility should be restricted to
   customers with continuing maximum demand of no more than 20 kW, consistent with
   the current limit for GS-1. SCE should review LPP accounts at the annual true-up and
   disqualify any non-compliant accounts from continued enrollment.
- Implementing a 20-kW requirement could disqualify a small number of existing GS-1 and qualify a similarly small number of GS-2 customers, for reasons that are unclear. Even though the current monthly maximum demand for GS-1 is 20 kW, the study's Figure J-3 indicates that there are some GS-1 accounts with greater demand,

and some GS-2 accounts with lesser demand.<sup>90</sup> These irregular accounts represent
 less than 2 percent of either tariff's accounts.

3 Q: Do you recommend any transition period?

A: Yes. SCE should implement rates for the GS-1 and GS-2 classes using the existing
tariff rules until the CRSP is available to program the new consolidated GS-1 rates.
Once it is technically feasible to consolidate the rates, SCE should complete the
transition as expeditiously as possible.

During the transition period, SCE should develop customer education materials 8 9 to explain the rate changes. GS-1 customers should be informed that they will no longer be subject to a 20 kW maximum demand to remain on the rate. TOU-GS-2 10 Option E customers should be notified that the consolidated TOU-GS-1 Option E rate 11 does not include demand charges and of the availability of the optional energy storage 12 rate, unless the customer cap for TOU-GS-1 (ES) has been reached. SCE should 13 review existing programs (e.g., energy efficiency, transportation electrification) and 14 inform GS-2 customers of any opportunities previously restricted to the GS-1 class. 15 Of course, all customers should be informed of the changes in rates. 16

- 17 C. Discounted Customer Charge for EV Meters
- Q: Does SCE propose a rider to discount the customer charge for electric vehicle
   (EV) meters?

A: Yes, SCE proposes a monthly credit for customers on TOU-D-PRIME who are also
 paying a monthly charge for a separately metered Schedule TOU-EV-1 account. SCE
 explains that separate home and EV meters are potentially the only viable option for
 multi-unit dwellings (MUDs).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>90</sup> SCE-04, Appendix J, Figure J-3, p. J-5.

1 SCE's proposed monthly credit would not fully offset the EV meter charge since 2 the \$2.14 per month cost for the additional meter would need to be recovered.<sup>91</sup> SCE 3 recognizes that "the service point and other associated facility costs are recovered 4 through the customer charge of the primary meter."<sup>92</sup>

5 Q: Should a similar rider discount be made available for small businesses?

A: Yes. Similar to multi-family properties, small businesses in multi-tenant properties
may not be able to install EV chargers without a separate meter. Whether owning or
renting its business space, a small business may require separately metered EV
chargers for its employees, customers, or business vehicles. These customers face the
same barriers to EV adoption as do residents of MUDs. Depending on the property
configuration, a small business could require more than one additional utility meter.

A small business that installs separately metered EV chargers must utilize the TOU-EV-7 rate. The meter charge and other components of the monthly charge for TOU-EV-7 are based on the GS-1 rate class. Currently, a TOU-EV-7 customer colocated with an existing customer is "viewed as a separate entity."<sup>93</sup>

16 Q: Please estimate the resulting monthly charge after the discount is applied.

A: Since the cost components for the GS-1 rate class are higher than for the residential
rate class, the resulting meter charge (after the discount is applied) would be
significantly higher than the monthly residential EV meter charge of \$2.14.

In Table 6, we have attempted to estimate the small commercial meter charge. Because we were unable to locate the calculation of the residential meter charge, we were unable to determine what costs were included in the charge. According to SCE's testimony, the only cost included in the meter charge is the meter cost, to which SCE

<sup>91</sup> Attachment 5 (SCE response to SBUA-SCE-002-JW, Question 06.a).

<sup>92</sup> SCE-04, p. 37, lines 5-18.

<sup>93</sup> Attachment 4 (SCE response to SBUA-SCE-002-JW, Question 06.d).

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(improperly) applies an EPMC scalar. This accounts for all but \$0.17 of the total
 monthly residential EV meter charge.

Because we do not know what that \$0.17 cost represents, we were unable to build a complete monthly small business EV meter charge. However, the charge would be at least \$0.98 more than the residential charge. We do not fully understand why there would be a higher cost, since the equipment would be functionally identical whether it is supplied at a residence or to a commercial location. However, since the cost of the commercial meter is derived from overall average cost of small commercial meters, it may be reasonable.

# Table 6: Components of Residential and Small Business Meter Costs and Charges, Applying SCE's Method

| Customer Class   | Monthly Meter<br>Cost <sup>94</sup> | EPMC Cost <sup>95</sup> | Other Cost <sup>96</sup> | Total Monthly<br>Cost |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Residential      | \$ 1.67                             | \$ 0.30                 | \$ 0.17                  | \$ 2.14               |
| Small Commercial | \$ 2.64                             | \$ 0.48                 | Not determined           | \$ 3.12               |

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## 13 Q: Are there any complications that SCE has pointed out?

14 A: Yes. In response to a data request, SCE pointed out two issues.

15 First, SCE stated that "there may be situations where either the existing service

16 point or customer-side infrastructure would need to be upgraded to serve up to an

<sup>95</sup> The residential EPMC scalar cost was obtained from the RevAllo and RateDesign\_M workpaper, tab Residential, comparing cell I14 to I8 and then applying the result to the monthly meter cost. For small commercial, the same workpaper and method was used, but the EPMC scalar was obtained from tab TOU-GS-1, comparing cell I19 to I8.

<sup>96</sup> For residential, this is the difference between the total monthly cost stated by SCE and the monthly meter cost and the EPMC cost. This may represent a portion of customer services, but we were unable to locate the calculation of this meter discount in workpapers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>94</sup> Obtained from SCE-02 Distribution Streetlight Workpapers, tab Customer MC, cells S6 and S15 after setting non-meter costs to zero, with cell D10 updated to 10.3% as directed in SCE's response to SBUA-SCE-002-JW, Question 06.b Follow-up.

additional load."<sup>97</sup> This could also be the case in a multi-unit dwelling and is not a
 reasonable basis to reject this proposal for small businesses. It would be reasonable
 to restrict eligibility for the credit to customers who would not require infrastructure
 upgrades or will be paying directly for those upgrades.

5 Second, SCE stated that "TOU-EV-7 load can be co-located with any 6 commercial industrial rate."<sup>98</sup> As we understand SCE's proposed residential credit, 7 the rider is a part of the customer's main TOU-D-PRIME rate, not a part of the TOU-8 EV-1 rate.<sup>99</sup> So the customer pays the full monthly charge on the bill for the TOU-9 EV-1 rate, and a discounted monthly charge on the TOU-D-PRIME rate. If the 10 customer ceases taking service on TOU-EV-1, presumably SCE would remove the 11 discount from the main account bill.

Similarly, we are proposing that the discounted monthly charge would be a rider
on the TOU-GS-1 rate. SCE's concern about large customers (i.e., TOU-GS-3) is
fully resolved by not revising those tariffs to include the monthly credit rider.

In summary, other than possibly restricting eligibility for the credit based on the
 need for service upgrades, we do not believe SCE's potential objections raise
 substantive issues with our proposals.

### 18 Q: What is your recommendation to the Commission?

A: We recommend that. if the Commission approves SCE's proposed monthly credit for
 customers on TOU-D-PRIME who are also paying a monthly charge for a separately
 metered Schedule TOU-EV-1 account, then it should offer a similar monthly credit
 to customers on the TOU-GS-1 rate who are also paying a monthly charge for a
 separately metered Schedule TOU-EV-7 account. The credits should be calculated

<sup>98</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>97</sup> Attachment 5 (SCE response to SBUA-SCE-002-JW, Question 06.c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>99</sup> SCE-04, p. 37, lines 5-6, 14-16.

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similarly, after applying any changes to the underlying costs and charges approved by the Commission such as removing the EPMC scalar cost.

#### 3 V. **Time of Use Periods**

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#### **O**: Please summarize SCE's testimony on time of use periods.

SCE recommends continuing its current time of use periods. SCE's TOU Period 5 A: Study includes a regression analysis on summer marginal costs. The regression 6 analysis shows that costs are highest from 5 PM - 10 PM.<sup>100</sup> In the winter, when SCE 7 uses a mid-peak rate, SCE's marginal costs show a smaller, earlier peak. SCE's TOU 8 9 Period Study did not evaluate a 5 PM - 10 PM TOU peak period; the only alternatives SCE considered were 4 PM - 9 PM and 5 PM - 8 PM. 10

#### What should the Commission do with respect to TOU periods? 11 **O**:

The Commission and the parties have expended substantial effort over the years to 12 A: 13 setting CPP event and TOU periods. Unfortunately, the TOU periods that are being put into effect as part of the transition to mandatory TOU rates is based on now-14 outdated load data. In the Extreme Weather Event Reliability rulemaking (A.20-11-15 003), SBUA submitted evidence from all three IOUs demonstrating that the optimal 16 CPP and TOU peak period has shifted from 4 PM to 9 PM (the period used by the IOUs 17 for most purposes) to 5 PM to 10 PM. SBUA's testimony demonstrated that the peak 18 period is shifting more rapidly than previously anticipated. The sooner the 19 20 Commission shifts the TOU periods to better match costs, the better, for reducing NEM rate effects, improving the TRC benefits of rate designs, improving reliability 21 and reducing carbon emissions. The Commission declined to adjust the peak periods 22 in D.21-03-056. We suspect that the Commission will not be inclined to correct the 23

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>100</sup> SCE-02, p. D-7.

time periods in this proceeding, either. But the time periods should be reconciled with reality as soon as possible, considering other constraints.

In a brief comment, SCE suggests that it intends "to maintain TOU periods for 3 at least six years."<sup>101</sup> In D.17-01-006, the Commission adopted a "goal of reviewing" 4 and re-setting Base TOU periods and rates every other GRC cycle." The Commission 5 also stated that, "If adopted forecasts were to deviate significantly from updated actual 6 data, and adjustment in TOU time periods more frequent than once every five years 7 may be warranted."<sup>102</sup> The Commission should ensure that in the next GRC cycle, the 8 IOUs update and synchronize TOU periods, so as to improve reliability and relieve 9 small businesses and other customers from unnecessary costs that could be mitigated 10 by sending customers more optimally timed price signals. 11

In this proceeding, we recommend that the Commission reject SCE's six-year policy and restate its expectation that SCE will propose updated TOU periods in its next Phase 2 GRC.

15 Q: Does this conclude your testimony?

16 A: Yes.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>101</sup> SCE-01, p. 17, line 11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>102</sup> D.17-01-006, p. 47.

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Critique of company approach, data, and statistical analysis; description of comparative and absolute approaches to standard-setting; proposals for standards and reporting requirements.

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Review of Cost-Benefit Analysis for nuclear plant. Nuclear cost parameters (construction cost, O&M, capital additions, useful like, capacity factor), risks, discount rates, evaluation techniques.

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Cost of Seabrook nuclear power plants, including construction cost and duration, capacity factor, O&M, capital additions, insurance and decommissioning.

**26. Mass. DPU** 1509, Boston Edison plant performance standards; Massachusetts Attorney General. July 15 1983.

Critique of company approach and statistical analysis; regression model of nuclear capacity factor; proposals for standards and for standard-setting methodologies.

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Profit margin calculations, including methodology, interest rates.

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Need for transmission line. Status of supply plan, especially Seabrook 2. Review of interconnection requirements. Analysis of cost-effectiveness for power transfer, line losses, generation assumptions.

**30.** Mich. PSC U-7775, Detroit Edison Fuel Cost Recovery Plan; Public Interest Research Group in Michigan. February 21 1984.

Review of proposed performance target for new nuclear power plant. Formulation of alternative proposals.

**31.** Mass. DPU 84-25, Western Massachusetts Electric Company rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 6 1984.

Need for Millstone 3. Cost of completing and operating unit, cost-effectiveness compared to alternatives, and its effect on rates. Equity and incentive problems created by CWIP. Design of Millstone 3 phase-in proposals to protect ratepayers: limitation of base-rate treatment to fuel savings benefit of unit.

**32.** Mass. DPU 84-49 and 84-50, Fitchburg Gas & Electric financing case; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 13 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook nuclear units. Probability of completing Seabrook 2. Recommendations regarding FG&E and MDPU actions with respect to Seabrook.

**33.** Mich. PSC U-7785, Consumers Power fuel-cost-recovery plan; Public Interest Research Group in Michigan. April 16 1984.

Review of proposed performance targets for two existing and two new nuclear power plants. Formulation of alternative policy.

**34. FERC** ER81-749-000 and ER82-325-000, Montaup Electric rate cases; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 27 1984.

Prudence of Montaup and Boston Edison in decisions regarding Pilgrim 2 construction: Montaup's decision to participate, the Utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, Montaup's failure to question Edison's decisions, and the utilities' delay in canceling the unit.

**35. Maine PUC** 84-113, Seabrook-1 investigation; Maine Public Advocate. September 13 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook Unit 1. Probability of completing Seabrook 1. Comparison of Seabrook to alternatives. Rate effects. Recommendations regarding utility and PUC actions with respect to Seabrook.

**36.** Mass. DPU 84-145, Fitchburg Gas and Electric rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. November 6 1984.

Prudence of Fitchburg and Public Service of New Hampshire in decision regarding Seabrook 2 construction: FGE's decision to participate, the utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, FGE's failure to question PSNH's decisions, and utilities' delay in halting construction and canceling the unit. Review of literature, cost and schedule estimate histories, cost-benefit analyses, and financial feasibility.

**37. Penn. PUC** R-842651, Pennsylvania Power and Light rate case; Pennsylvania Consumer Advocate. November 1984.

Need for Susquehanna 2. Cost of operating unit, power output, cost-effectiveness compared to alternatives, and its effect on rates. Design of phase-in and excess capacity proposals to protect ratepayers: limitation of base-rate treatment to fuel savings benefit of unit.

**38. N.H. PSC** 84-200, Seabrook Unit-1 investigation; New Hampshire Consumer Advocate. November 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook Unit 1. Probability of completing Seabrook 1. Comparison of Seabrook to alternatives. Rate and financial effects.

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Profit-margin calculations, including methodology and implementation.

**40. Mass. DPU** 84-152, Seabrook Unit 1 investigation; Massachusetts Attorney General. December 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook. Probability of completing Seabrook 1. Seabrook capacity factors.

**41. Maine PUC** 84-120; Central Maine Power rate case; Maine PUC Staff. December 1984.

Prudence of Central Maine Power and Boston Edison in decisions regarding Pilgrim 2 construction: CMP's decision to participate, the utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, CMP's failure to question Edison's decisions, and the utilities' delay in canceling the unit. Prudence of CMP in the planning and investment in Sears Island nuclear and coal plants. Review of literature, cost and schedule estimate histories, cost-benefit analyses, and financial feasibility. 42. Maine PUC 84-113, Seabrook 2 investigation; Maine PUC Staff. December 1984.

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**43. Mass. DPU** 1627, Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company financing case; Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy Resources. January 1985.

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### ACRONYMS AND INITIALISMS

| APS  | Alleghany Power System                         |
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| ASLB | Atomic Safety and Licensing Board              |
| BEP  | Board of Environmental Protection              |
| BPU  | Board of Public Utilities                      |
| BRC  | Board of Regulatory Commissioners              |
| СС   | Corporation Commission                         |
| CMP  | Central Maine Power                            |
| DER  | Department of Environmental<br>Regulation      |
| DPS  | Department of Public Service                   |
| DQE  | Duquesne Light                                 |
| DPUC | Department of Public Utilities Control         |
| DSM  | Demand-Side Management                         |
| DTE  | Department of Telecommunications<br>and Energy |
| EAB  | Environmental Assessment Board                 |
| EFSB | Energy Facilities Siting Board                 |
| EFSC | Energy Facilities Siting Council               |
| EUB  | Energy and Utilities Board                     |
| FERC | Federal Energy Regulatory<br>Commission        |
| ISO  | Independent System Operator                    |
| LRAM | Lost-Revenue-Adjustment Mechanism              |

| NARUC  | National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners   |
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| NEPOOL | New England Power Pool                                     |
| NRC    | Nuclear Regulatory Commission                              |
| OCA    | Office of Consumer Advocate                                |
| PSB    | Public Service Board                                       |
| PBR    | Performance-based Regulation                               |
| PSC    | Public Service Commission                                  |
| PUC    | Public Utility Commission                                  |
| PUB    | Public Utilities Board                                     |
| PURA   | Public Utility Regulatory Authority                        |
| PURPA  | Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act                       |
| ROEÉ   | Regroupement des organismes<br>environnementaux en énergie |
| SCC    | State Corporation Commission                               |
| UARB   | Utility and Review Board                                   |
| USAEE  | U.S. Association of Energy<br>Economists                   |
| UC     | Utilities Commission                                       |
| URC    | Utility Regulatory Commission                              |
| UTC    | Utilities and Transportation                               |
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- 2019– Research Director, Resource Insight, Inc. Provides research, technical assist-Present ance, and expert testimony on electric- and gas-utility planning, economics, and regulation. Reviews electric-utility rate design. Designs and evaluates conservation programs for electric utilities, including conservation cost recovery mechanisms and performance incentives. Evaluates performance of renewable resources and designs performance evaluation systems for procurement. Designs and assesses resource planning and procurement strategies for regulated and competitive markets.
- 2007-19 **Deputy Director for Regulatory Policy, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy.** Managed regulatory policy, including supervision of experts in areas of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and market data. Provided expert witness testimony on topics of resource planning, renewable energy, energy efficiency to utility regulators. Directed litigation activities, including support of expert witnesses in the areas of rate design, resource planning, renewable energy, energy efficiency, and resource procurement. Conducted supporting research and policy development. Represented SACE on numerous legislative, utility, and private committees across a wide range of climate and energy related topics.
- 2001–06 Executive Director, Galveston-Houston Association for Smog Prevention. Directed advocacy and regulatory policy related to air pollution reduction, including ozone, air toxics, and other related pollutants in the industrial, utility, and transportation sectors. Served on the Regional Air Quality Planning Committee, Transportation Policy Technical Advisory Committee, and Steering Committee of the TCEQ Interim Science Committee.
- 2000–01 Senior Associate, The Goodman Corporation. Provided transportation and urban planning consultant services to cities and business districts across Texas.
- 1997–99 Senior Legislative Analyst and Technology Projects Coordinator, Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, Florida Legislature. Author or team member for reports on water supply policy, environmental permitting, community development corporations, school district financial management and other issues – most recommendations implemented by the 1998 and 1999 Florida Legislatures. Edited statewide government accountability newsletter and coordinated online and internal technical projects.
- *1997* Environmental Management Consultant, Florida State University. Project staff for Florida Assessment of Coastal Trends.

1992-96 Research Associate, Center for Global Studies, Houston Advanced Research Center. Coordinated and led research for projects assessing environmental and resource issues in the Rio Grande / Rio Bravo river basin and across the Greater Houston region. Coordinated task force and edited book on climate change in Texas.

#### EDUCATION

BA, Physics (with honors) and history, Rice University, 1990.

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**Nova Scotia UARB** Matter No. M09707, direct testimony with Paul Chernick on Nova Scotia Power's 2020 Load Forecast on behalf of the Nova Scotia Consumer Advocate. Impacts of recession, application of end-use studies, improvements to forecast components, and impact of time-varying pricing.

**California PUC** Docket A.19-10-012, direct and rebuttal testimony with Paul Chernick in San Diego Gas & Electric's application for the Power Your Drive Electric Vehicle Charging Program on behalf of the Small Business Utility Advocates. Ensuring that utility-installed chargers advance California goal for electric vehicles. Budget controls. Reporting requirements. Evaluation, monitoring and verification processes. Outreach to small business customers.

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**Georgia PSC** Docket Nos. 4822, 16573 and 19279, direct, rebuttal and surrebuttal testimony in Georgia Power Company's PURPA avoided cost review

on behalf of the Georgia Large Scale Solar Association. Reviewing compliance with prior Commission orders. Application of capacity need forecast in projection of avoided capacity cost. Calculation of cost of new capacity. Proposal of standard offer contract.

**California PUC** Docket A.19-11-019, direct, reply and responsive testimony with Paul Chernick in Pacific Gas & Electric's 2021 general rate case (phase 2) on behalf of the Small Business Utility Advocates. Cost of service methods. Rate design, including customer charges, demand charges, real time pricing tariffs, TOU differentials and periods.

**Nova Scotia UARB** Matter No. M09548, direct testimony on the audit of Nova Scotia Power's Fuel Adjustment Mechanism on behalf of the Nova Scotia Consumer Advocate. Reasonableness of fuel contract costs. Scope of study on dispatch practices. Impact of greenhouse gas shadow pricing. Compliance issues related to resource planning.

2021 California PUC Docket R.20-11-003, direct and reply testimony on rulemaking to ensure reliable electric service in the event of an extreme weather event on behalf of the Small Business Utility Advocates. Modifications to Critical Peak Pricing programs and Time of Use periods. Modifications to load management programs.

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**Nova Scotia UARB** Matter No. M09920, direct testimony on Nova Scotia Power's Annual Capital Expenditure Plan for 2021 on behalf of the Nova Scotia Consumer Advocate. Cost minimization. Project contingency. Economic analysis model. Analysis of specific projects.

**Nova Scotia UARB** Matter No. M09777, direct testimony on Nova Scotia Power's Time-Varying Pricing Tariff Application on behalf of the Nova Scotia Consumer Advocate. Effect of proposed TVP tariffs on load, capacity savings, and energy costs. Recommended CPP tariffs. Treatment of demand charges in TVP tariffs. Implementation and evaluation of TVP tariffs. Lost revenue adjustment mechanism.

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**California PUC** Docket A.20-10-011, direct and reply testimony with Paul Chernick in Pacific Gas & Electric's Commercial Electric Vehicle Day-Ahead Hourly Real Time Pricing Pilot on behalf of the Small Business Utility

Advocates. Rate design for real time pricing tariff. Marketing to small businesses. Evaluation plan.

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Southern California Edison A.20-10-012 – 2021 GRC Phase 2

#### DATA REQUEST SET CalAdv-SCE-011-NC

To: Cal Advocates Prepared by: Elliot James Dean Job Title: Associate Specialist, Analytics Received Date: 3/30/2021

Response Date: 4/13/2021

#### **Question 01:**

Please provide the relative peak and flex probability models SCE used to develop the results reported in "SCE-02 - Table I-5 & I-6 - Capacity Allocation Tool (Results Summary)" workpapers for SCE Exhibit 2. Please provide detailed instructions on how to run the respective relative peak and flexibility probability models.

#### **Response to Question 01:**

SCE objects to the instruction stating that the data request is "continuing in nature" on the grounds it is unduly burdensome. Subject to and without waiving this objection, SCE responds as follows:

The models used to develop the results reported in "SCE-02 – Table I-5 & I-6 – Capacity Allocation Tool (Results Summary)" workpapers for SCE Exhibit 2 can be found in the attached zip folder. In this folder, you will find three macro-enabled excel workbooks that comprise the model. For instructions on how to navigate these workbooks and produce a model run, please refer to the Capacity Allocation Tool User Guide, which is also attached.

Two-page excerpt from Capacity Allocation Tool User Guide follows.

# Capacity Allocation Study Documentation

Authors: Justin Kubassek, Carl Silsbee, Steven van Deventer, Benjamin Baker, Eliot Dean & Sean Hernandez

Resource & Environmental Planning & Strategy

### 1. Overview

SCE utilizes the Capacity Allocation Tool to spread the Generation Capacity Marginal Cost (GCMC) across TOU periods. The Capacity Allocation Tool works by identifying which month-hours of the year are the most vulnerable to capacity shortfalls. The Capacity Allocation Tool involves comparing forecasted SCE load to forecasted renewable generation and available capacity. If the load, net of renewable generation (i.e., net load), is greater than the available capacity, this indicates a capacity shortfall risk. On the other hand, if net load is less than available capacity, then there is residual capacity in case load were higher than forecasted, renewables were lower than forecasted, or outages were more severe than forecasted. The Capacity Allocation Tool utilizes this information to rank month-hour combination, the less the residual capacity, the greater the capacity shortfall risk – and the greater the GCMC allocation. This approach also determines an appropriate capacity value split between ramp and peak constraints. The study methodology is summarized in Figure 1 below.

Please note that the purpose of SCE's Capacity Allocation Tool is not to forecast the precise timing of future low-reserve margin events, nor is it to forecast the absolute magnitude of any single capacity shortfall. Rather, it is intended to be a relative distribution of risk used to allocate capacity value across hours based on a 1-in-10 planning scenario.



#### Figure 1 - Overview of Study Methodology

# 2. Inputs

#### A. Notes on setting up the Net Load input file

The Net Load input file ("CAT STEP 1 – 2024 Master File.xlsm") contains the hourly load, wind, and solar shapes. The hourly load is 30 unique system level load shapes based on 30 years of historical weather data that are scaled such that the average annual energy represents the internal energy forecasted by SCE minus distributed generation photo voltaic (DG PV) plus a shape for transportation electrification (TE).<sup>1</sup> DG PV is treated as supply side resources and in the total solar profile input as an annual shape. Wind and solar shapes are the total expected contracted RPS plus forecasted DG PV.

Inputs:

- 30 unique load shapes
  - $\circ$  internally developed
  - Load shapes in STEP ONE file should first be scaled to the study year based on annual energy forecasts

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> TE is a deterministic input to the 30 years of weather shapes and does not vary by year.

## Southern California Edison A.20-10-012 – 2021 General Rate Case Phase 2

#### DATA REQUEST SET SBUA-SCE-002-JW

To: Prepared by: Reuben Behlihomji Job Title: Prin Mgr Received Date: 6/14/2021

#### Response Date: 6/28/2021

#### Question 05.c,e:

For SCE-04, Appendix J.

c. Please explain SCE's position on whether and how the findings of Appendix J should be implemented.

e. Please provide a bill impact estimate of migrating accounts serving lighting loads to a lighting rate class. (p. J-8)

#### **Response to Question 05.c,e:**

c. Pursuant to Section B.6 of the Residential and Small commercial Settlement agreement in the 2018 GRC, Settling Parties agreed that SCE will conduct a study on whether its current TOU-GS-1 rate class should be expanded to include customers with monthly demand over 20 kW. SCE agreed to include the results of this study as part of its 2021 GRC Phase 2 application - SCE-04, Appendix J presents and describes SCE's findings on the study. While SCE has not developed a position on the study, SCE will consider and evaluate parties' positions on the study, and whether and how the findings in Appendix J should be implemented.

e. SCE has not conducted a bill impact estimate of migrating the lighting account loads to a lighting rate class – More specifically, SCE would need to consider the aggregate mix of this subgroup's consumption profile to determine the appropriate schedule (AL, OL, DWL) that these customers would be migrated to.

# Southern California Edison A.20-10-012 – 2021 General Rate Case Phase 2

#### DATA REQUEST SET SBUA-SCE-002-JW

To: SBUA Prepared by: Alexander Echele Job Title: Sr Spec. Received Date: 6/14/2021

#### Response Date: 6/24/2021

#### Question 06.a-d:

Referencing SCE-04, p. 37: SCE is proposing a rider option under TOU-D-PRIME for separately metered residential loads.

a. Please confirm that the proposed rider option is to charge the customer the TOU-EV-1 meter charge (\$2.14/month) as opposed to the TOU-D-PRIME customer charge (average of \$14.24/month). If not confirmed, please clarify.

b. Please explain why the TOU-EV-7 meter charge is \$0.365/day, an average of approximately \$11.10/month. Specifically, why is the TOU-EV-7 meter charge substantially higher than the TOU-EV-1 meter charge?

c. Please explain whether SCE believes that some small businesses may require separately metered EV chargers provided through the same service point as the customer's primary meter. For example, a small business may contract with an EVSE provider in order to allow both customers and employees to access the EV chargers without having to become directly involved in billing for charging services.

d. Please explain whether SCE agrees that if the service point and other associated facility costs are recovered through the customer charge of the primary meter for a customer on a GS-1 rate, that it may be reasonable for SCE to also offer a rider option of a monthly credit to make the separately metered TOU-EV-7 monthly meter charge consistent with the TOU-EV-1 meter charge? If not, please explain why not.

#### **Response to Question 06.a-d:**

- a) Yes, proposed rider option is to charge the customer the TOU-EV-1 meter charge of \$2.14/month.
- b) Fixed monthly customer charges include the following 4 components: 1) Final Line Transformation 2) Service Drop 3) Meter Charge and 4) Customer Billing. The TOU-EV-7 rate class is commensurate with the GS-1 rate class and the TOU-D-PRIME is commensurate with the residential rate class. The cost components that make up the fixed charge for the GS-1 rate class differ from the residential rate class, which is why the TOU-EV-7 fixed charge is greater than the TOU-EV-1 fixed charge.
- c) Yes, it is possible that some small businesses may require separately metered EV chargers provided through the same service point, defined as the customer's breaker panel and/or meter panel. However, there may be situations where either the existing service point or

customer-side infrastructure would need to be upgraded to serve up to an additional load. Additionally, a TOU-EV-7 load can be co-located with any commercial industrial rate (i.e, TOU-GS-2, TOU-GS-3, or TOU-8), further complicating the differential in the customer charge that would be offered if a TOU-D-PRIME structure were adopted. Currently in these situations, the TOU-EV-7 load is treated as a separate entity from the existing GS load.

d) No, a TOU-EV-7 customer is viewed as a separate entity if it is co-located with an existing customer.

### Southern California Edison A.20-10-012 – 2021 GRC Phase 2

#### DATA REQUEST SET SBUA-SCE-002-JW

To: SBUA Prepared by: Alexander Echele Job Title: Rate Design, Sr. Specialist Received Date: 6/14/2021

Response Date: 7/12/2021

#### **Question 06.b Follow-up:**

Please provide the differences in the cost components that make up the fixed charge for the GS-1 rate class and the TOU-D-Prime rate class as described in the response. Please explain the basis for each component where the cost differs between the rate classes.

#### **Response to Question 06.b Follow-up:**

Please see the attachment for further details that illustrate the differences in the 1) Final Line Transformation 2) Service Drop 3) Meter Charge and 4) Customer Billing customer charge components for the GS-1 and Residential rate classes. Cust Marginal Cost Summary and the Res & GS1 Typical Customer Cost tabs illustrate the difference in the cost components between the GS-1 & Residential rate rate groups. The Customer MC tab shows the Marginal Cost and Retail customer charges in columns Y to AB. Columns Y and Z represent the Marginal Cost estimates and columns AA and AB represent the retail rate proposal. SCE found a reference error for the residential class in cell D10 (shown in red). The correct value of cell D10 should be 10.3%. As a result, SCE shows the corrected marginal cost and retail rate values for the residential class in columns AD to AN. The EPMC (Equal Percent Marginal Change) scaler to convert the Marginal Cost component to the retail fixed charge proposals is approximately 18%.

# Attachment 6

Application No.: A.20-10-011 Exhibit No.: PG&E-22 Date: June 3, 2021

> Schedule Developed in Response to ALJ Doherty's Request during June 2, 2021 Hearings in A.20-10-011

In response to ALJ Doherty's request for a schedule that incorporates the Procedural Proposal in Exhibit PG&E-20, section V, and keeps the start of Pilot Phase 2 the same as in Exhibit PG&E-3, Table 3-1, PG&E has developed the schedule in the right hand column of the Table 1 below.
## Table 1

## Schedule Developed in Response to ALJ Doherty's Request during June 2, 2021 Hearings in A.20-10-011

| Line<br>No.    | CEV RTP Activity  | Current Schedule from<br>Scoping Memo and<br>Proposed Pilot Timeline<br>in Supplemental<br>Testimony | Proposed Schedule for<br>MGCC Study and Limited<br>Hearings and Revised Pilot<br>Timeline Maintaining Pilot<br>Launch in May 2023 |
|----------------|---|--|---|
| 1              | Track 1 Evidentiary Hearings  | June 1-4, 2021   |   |
| 2              | Track 1 Opening Briefs / Reply Briefs   | July 2021 & August 2021  |   |
| 3              | MGCC Study Data Received from ED  | N/A  | August 2021   |
| 4              | Track 1 Proposed Decision   | Q3 2021  |   |
| 5              | Track 1 Final Decision  | Q4 2021  |   |
| 6              | Conduct MGCC Study  | N/A  | August 2021 - December 2021<br>(5 months)   |
| 7              | Track 2 Proposals / Testimony (PG&E<br>plus all interested parties)   | N/A  | January 2022  |
| 8              | Track 2 Rebuttal  | N/A  | February 2022   |
| 9              | Track 2 Limited Evidentiary Hearings  | N/A  | March 2022  |
| 10             | Track 2 Opening Briefs / Reply Briefs   | N/A  | April 2022  |
| 11             | Track 2 Expedited Proposed Decision   | N/A  | April 2022 - May 2022   |
| 12             | Track 2 Expedited Final Decision  | N/A  | May 2022  |
| Pilot Timeline |   |  |   |
| 13             | Pilot Phase 0 – Pilot Planning - Identify<br>potential participants and technology<br>partners, perform simulation/modeling of<br>theoretical bill and load response impacts,<br>finalize pilot project plan, including<br>measurement and evaluation plan. | December 2021 –<br>February 2022<br>(3 months)   | June 2022 - August 2022<br>(3 months)   |
| 14             | Pilot Phase 1 – Recruitment and Rate<br>Technology Development – Complete<br>Request for Proposal for technology<br>partners, and enroll up to 50 customers,<br>build and test customer technical<br>integration with price discovery tools.                | March 2022 – April 2023<br>(14 months)   | September 2022- April 2023<br>(8 months)  |
| 15             | Pilot Billing System Programming –<br>expected to begin after Complex Billing<br>System replacement is completed and<br>stable. <i>Critical Path</i>  | October 2022 – April 2023<br>(Current estimate)<br>(7 months)  | October 2022 – April 2023<br>(Current estimate)<br>(7 months)   |
| 16             | Pilot Phase 2 – Collect Pilot data and complete ongoing and interim analysis and gather lessons learned.  | May 2023 – October 2024<br>(Dependent on line 4)<br>(18 Months)                                      | May 2023 – October 2024<br>(Dependent on 15)<br>(18 months)   |
|                | January 2024.   |  |   |
| 17             | Pilot Phase 3 – Analyze Pilot data and synthesize lessons learned.  | November 2024 – January<br>2025<br>(3 months)  | November 2024 - January<br>2025<br>(3 months)   |

## **Request:**

PG&E and Parties will need the MGCC study data from the Energy Division by August 2021 to maintain a Pilot Phase 2 start date in <u>May 2023</u>. This assumes a five-month period to conduct the Track 2 MGCC study analysis, and a Track 2 Final Decision in May 2022. In the revised Pilot timeline, the timing for Pilot Phase 1 activities on line 14 is delayed and reduced from the schedule in PG&E Supplemental Testimony to enable the inclusion of MGCC study results in the determination of the MGCC calculation methodology plus the required additional Track 2 procedural steps. Slack had been built into Pilot Phase 1 timing due to critical path billing system work not being able to start before October 2022 and Track 1 Final Decision expected in Q4 of 2021. PG&E notes that Track 1 Proposed and Final Decision timing could have several months of flexibility, given critical path billing system work cannot start prior to October of 2022.