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New Lighting Rate Option for Selected Outdoor Lighting

SCE's Rate Schedule AL-2 now offers a new option for customers who use electricity during dusk-to-dawn hours (usually from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.) for outdoor area lighting purposes other than street or highway lighting.

Previously, if customers needed to use electricity during daytime hours, for lighting or other energy requirements, they would have had to choose another rate option or have a separate service for daytime usage. In October 2009, SCE added Option B to Rate Schedule AL-2, which provides time-of-use energy rates and allows 15 percent of a customer's total load (not to exceed 20 kilowatts) to be dedicated to usage during daytime hours.

The current AL-2 rate, which offers a fixed energy charge but no daytime usage, is still available and is now called Option A.

For more details about AL-2 Option B and other available business rates, please contact your SCE account representative, or call us at **1-800-990-7788.** You can also visit us at **www.sce.com/lighting.**

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory Pioneers Energy Management

For Pasadena's legendary Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), which builds and operates unmanned spacecraft for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, also known as NASA, the sense that "anything is possible" works as well on the ground as it does in space. JPL's energy managers are proving that even with extraordinary energy applications, and constantly changing program needs, they can achieve dramatic energy savings right now in day-to-day operations.

To their roster of historic achievements — Explorer, Mariner, Pioneer, Magellan, Mars Odyssey — JPL has now added the title of Best Overall Winner in California's annual Flex Your Power Awards, accomplished with JPL's launch of energy management programs and incentives from SCE.

JPL finds that achieving seemingly impossible energy savings starts with educating and informing people. Posters, presentations, emails, a call center and weekly television updates spread the word, explain the goals, and share the results JPL achieves with SCE. Recognition like the Flex Your Power award is everyone's success.

SCE offers a range of programs such as cash incentives, energy surveys, and payment options to help you better manage your electricity costs. To learn more, please contact your SCE account representative, visit us at www.sce.com/bizsave, or call 1-800-990-7788.

Edison Challenge: Team Registration Opens October 8

Edison International, SCE's parent company, and the University of Southern California Wrigley Institute for Environmental Studies have partnered again to present the Edison Challenge – an environmental science competition designed to help students in grades 6-12 become better environmental stewards. Registration for the Edison Challenge begins on October 8, 2009 and closes October 29, 2009. For complete details about the program, visit www.sce.com/challenge.

Holiday Safety Reminders



As you begin preparing for the holiday season, we remind you to follow these important safety tips:

- Do not use decorative lighting with frayed cords and wires, broken fuses or broken light bulbs.
- Do not use staples, nails or tacks to hang electrical cords. These can pierce the protective insulation.
- Use only Underwriters
 Laboratories (UL) approved
 lighting and extension cords.
- Plug no more than three strands of lights into each electrical cord/outlet.
- Keep live trees watered and keep watering pans away from electrical cords.
- Never use lighted candles on or near holiday trees or decorations.
- Remember to unplug decorative lights when you leave home and before going to bed.

We wish you and yours a safe and happy holiday season. For more safety tips, please visit www.sce.com/safety.

Important Notice About Your Gas Bill

Gas rates on Santa Catalina Island are expected to increase for residential and commercial customers by an annual average of 6 to 7 percent over the next three years. However, actual impacts for each customer will vary based upon system and individual usage and fluctuations in the wholesale price of propane gas.

The new rates will enable SCE to continue providing safe and reliable gas delivery to our customers' homes and businesses on the island. In addition, the rates will cover costs involved in meeting increased regulatory and environmental compliance requirements.

Because gas bills can often be highest in the winter, SCE offers customers the following tips to help you manage your upcoming winter gas bills:

- Insulate your home, and caulk or weather strip around doors and windows to reduce heating costs.
- Clean or replace filters on heaters regularly.
- Set your water heater thermostat at (or slightly below) the manufacturer's suggested level, to help lower energy costs.

For more information on tools, tips, and programs that can help you reduce your gas usage and bills, visit <u>www.sce.com/catalina</u>.



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NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION FILING BY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY (SCE): WILDFIRE COST RECOVERY A.09-08-020

On August 31, 2009, Southern California Edison Company, San Diego Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Gas Company, and Pacific Gas and Electric Company, jointly filed Application No. 09-08-020 requesting authority from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to approve a mechanism to allow it to recover costs associated with wildfires. In the face of a changing insurance market that may limit the Utilities' ability to obtain insurance coverage, the Application asks for CPUC approval to establish a Wildfire Expense Balancing Account (WEBA) to record for future recovery all uninsured costs arising from wildfires, including:

- payments to satisfy wildfire claims, including any co-insurance and deductible expense paid by the Utilities;
- (2) outside legal costs incurred in the defense of wildfire claims;
- (3) premiums for insurance against wildfire claims, and
- (4) the cost of financing these amounts.

Costs that have previously been authorized for recovery in rates in SCE's General Rate Case shall not be added to the WEBA. Insurance proceeds, as well as any payments received from third parties, will be credited to the WEBA as they are received. The Application requests that amounts recorded in the WEBA be included in rates after review and approval by the Commission. However, while requesting approval of the mechanism, the Application does not request increases in current rates.

THE CPUC PROCESS

The CPUC's Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA) will review this Application. DRA is an independent arm of the CPUC, created by the Legislature to represent the interests of all utility customers throughout the state and obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. DRA has a multi-disciplinary staff with expertise in economics, finance, accounting and engineering. DRA's views do not necessarily reflect those of the CPUC. Other parties of record will also participate.

The CPUC may hold evidentiary hearings where parties of record present their proposals in testimony and are subject to cross-examination before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). These hearings are open to the public, but only those who are parties of record can present evidence or cross-examine witnesses during evidentiary hearings. Members of the public may attend these hearings, but are not allowed to participate, only listen.

After considering all proposals and evidence presented during the hearing process, the ALJ will issue a draft decision. When the CPUC acts on this application, it may adopt all or part of SCE's request, amend or modify it or deny the application. The CPUC's final decision may be different from SCE's proposed application filing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION FROM SCE

You may also view a copy of the application at SCE's Web site at www.sce.com/applications. Or, by writing to SCE at the Rosemead mailing address below. You may also review a copy of this Application and related exhibits at SCE's corporate headquarters (2244 Walnut Grove Avenue, Rosemead, CA 91770) or at the following SCE business offices:

1 Pebbly Beach Rd.	30553 Rimrock Rd.	374 Lagoon St.
Avalon, CA 90704	Barstow, CA 92311	Bishop, CA 93514
505 W. 14th Ave.	3001 Chateau Rd.	510 S. China Lake Blvd.
Blythe, CA 92225	Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546	Ridgecrest, CA 93555
26364 Pine Ave.	41694 Dinkey Creek Rd.	421 W. J St.
Rimforest, CA 92378	Shaver Lake, CA 93664	Tehachapi, CA 93561
120 Woodland Dr. Wofford Heights, CA 93285	6999 Old Woman Springs Rd. Yucca Valley, CA 92284	

For further information from SCE regarding this Application, or to request a copy, please write to:

Southern California Edison Company 2244 Walnut Grove Avenue Rosemead, CA 91770 Attention: Russell G. Worden General Rate Case Project Manager

Los usuarios con acceso al Internet podrán leer y descargar esta notificacion en español en el sitio Web de SCE **www.sce.com/avisos** o escriba a:

Southern California Edison Company P.O. Box 800 2244 Walnut Grove Avenue Rosemead, CA 91770 Atención: Gabby Garcia

If you would like additional information on the CPUC process or need assistance, you may contact the Public Advisor's Office (PAO) at **1-866-849-8391** (toll free) or **213-576-7055** in Los Angeles or the Public Advisor's Office (PAO) at **1-866-849-8390** (toll free) or **415-703-2074** in San Francisco.

You may also send your comments to the PAO at the address: Public Advisor's Office, 320 West 4th St., Ste. 500, Los Angeles, CA 90013 or send an email to: public.advisor.la@cpuc.ca.gov. Any letters received from you will be circulated to each Commissioner and will become part of the formal correspondence file in this application. In your letter, state that your comments are regarding Application No. A.09-08-020.

Reviewed by the California Public Utilities Commission

POWER CONTENT LABEL			
ENERGY RESOURCES	2009 SCE POWER MIX* (projected)	2008 CA POWER MIX** (for comparison)	
Eligible Renewable	16%	2%	
Biomass & waste	2%	<1%	
Geothermal	9%	1%	
Small hydroelectric	1%	0%	
Solar	1%	<1%	
Wind	3%	1%	
Coal	10%	33%	
Large Hydroelectric	5%	18%	
Natural Gas	51%	42%	
Nuclear	18%	5%	
Other	<1%	0%	
TOTAL	100%	100%	

^{*98%} of SCE System Power Mix is specifically purchased from individual suppliers.

For specific information about this electricity product, contact Southern California Edison. For general information about the Power Content Label, contact the California Energy Commission at 1-800-555-7794 or www.energy.ca.gov/consumer.

^{**}Percentages are estimated annually by the California Energy Commission based on electricity sold to California consumers during the previous year.