## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

San Diego Gas & Electric Company	)	Docket Nos. ER98-496-000
	)	and ER98-2160-000
	)	
Pacific Gas & Electric Company	)	Docket Nos. ER98-495-000, ER98-
	)	1614-
		000 and ER98-2145-000
Duke Energy Moss Landing LLC	)	Docket No. ER98-2668-000
Duke Energy Oakland LLC	)	Docket No. ER98-2669-000
-	)	
Southern California Edison Company	)	Docket Nos. ER98-441-000, ER-1019
California Independent System Operator	)	000 and
Corporation	)	
El Segundo Power, LLC	)	ER98-2550-000

## UNOPPOSED MOTION TO MODIFY PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND REQUEST TO SHORTEN COMMENT PERIOD

To: The Honorable Curtis L. Wagner, Jr. Chief Administrative Law Judge

Pursuant to Rule 212 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.212 (1997), the California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO), on behalf of the active parties, moves to modify certain of the procedural schedules in the above captioned proceedings.

Specifically, the active parties propose one change to the procedural dates in the Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) proceeding. However, this proposed schedule does not yet reflect the Commission's June 25, 1998, consolidation of the Duke Energy proceedings in Docket Nos. ER98-2668-000 and ER98-2669-000.<sup>1</sup> The active parties in PG&E recognize that, should this

Order Accepting for Filing and Suspending Reliability Must-Run Tariffs, Summarily Dismissing Proposed Acquisition Adjustment, Consolidating Tariffs and Establishing Hearing Procedures, 83 FERC ¶ 61,318 (1998) (mimeo at 14)

case not settle, the proposed schedule will need future adjustment to appropriately consider the issues in the Duke Energy filing. Thus, should settlement not occur, the active parties will make a motion to establish new procedural dates in the PG&E proceeding.

In the Southern California Edison proceeding, the active parties propose three changes. First, the active parties propose an entirely new set of procedural dates. Second, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will no longer file testimony separately from the other Intervenors and Trial Staff. Rather, the CPUC will file at the same time. Third, the active parties propose to eliminate Cross-Answering and Company Rebuttal. The procedural schedule now simply provides for Answering and Rebuttal testimony.

The proposed revised schedules are as follows:

Testimony	Pacific Gas & Electric Docket No. ER-98-495-000 et. al.	
	Current	Proposed
Company Direct or Supplemental	Complete	No Change
Intervenor Direct & Answering	8/7/98	9/11/98
Staff and CPUC	10/9/98	No Change
Cross-Answering	11/6/98	No Change
Company Rebuttal	11/20/98	No Change
Hearing	12/15/98	No Change

Testimony	Southern Cal. Edison Docket No. ER98-441-000, et. al.	
	Current	Proposed
Company Direct or Supplemental	Complete	No Change
Intervenor Direct & Answering; Staff and CPUC <sup>2</sup>	7/31/98	9/11/98
[Cross]Answering <sup>3</sup>	10/1/98	10/28/98
[Company] Rebuttal	10/15/98	11/16/98
Hearing	11/3/98	12/8/98

No changes are proposed in the San Diego Gas & Electric proceedings.

Since the initiation of these proceedings, the parties have attempted to settle both the rate and non-rate terms and conditions associated with reliability must-run contracts. The settlement process continues. The active parties convened settlement conferences between July 14-16, 1998. Another settlement conference has been scheduled beginning August 11, 1998. The proposed modifications to the procedural schedules will allow the parties to concentrate on settlement, rather than the preparation of testimony.

This motion was discussed at the July 16, 1998, settlement conference. No party opposed the motion. Moreover, the ISO circulated a draft of this motion to the parties on the restricted service list and received no adverse comments. The ISO is authorized to state that Commission Staff does not oppose this motion. Therefore, the ISO requests that the Chief Judge modify the procedural schedules as proposed above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In the Southern California Edison proceedings, the CPUC will now file testimony at the same time as Staff and Intervenors.

The parties propose to eliminate the current restrictions on answering and rebuttal testimony.

Absent approval of this motion, Intervenor testimony will be due in the Southern California Edison proceeding July 31, 1998. As such, the ISO also moves that the Chief Judge shorten the comment period on this motion to 3:00 p.m., July 23, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in the captioned proceedings.

Dated at Washington, DC, this 21<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1998.

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