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Advice No. 3324 (U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Further Extension of Participation in California Utility Exchange

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby informs the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) that it is extending further its participation in the interutility exchange called California Utility Exchange (CUE). The CUE is offered and managed by Equifax Credit Information Services, Inc. ("Equifax"), a credit-reporting agency.

SoCalGas Advice No. 3183, filed on August 28, 2003, advising the Commission of its participation in the CUE, offered by Equifax, was approved by the Commission effective October 7, 2002. This 12-month pilot program was extended to December 31, 2003 by approval of SoCalGas Advice No. 3253. SoCalGas would like to extend its participation in the CUE indefinitely since the interutility exchange has enhanced SoCalGas' ability to locate customers with unpaid closed account balances as well as streamlined this process. SoCalGas will also be exploring other uses for the CUE information such as to manage the collection of delinquent active accounts.

This advice filing will not increase any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, or conflict with any other schedule or rule.

Protest:

Anyone may protest this Advice Letter to the Commission. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based, including such items as financial and service impact, and should be submitted expeditiously. The protest must be made in writing and must be received within 20 days of the date this Advice Letter. There is no restriction on who may file a protest. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

Energy Division - IMC Branch California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor San Francisco, CA 94102

Copies of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of both Jerry Royer (<u>jir@cpuc.ca.gov</u>) and to Honesto Gatchalian (<u>inj@cpuc.ca.gov</u>) of the Energy Division. A copy of the protest should also be sent via both e-mail and facsimile to the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission.

Attn: Sid Newsom Tariff Manager - GT14D6 555 West Fifth Street Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011 Facsimile No. (213) 244-4957 E-mail: snewsom@SempraUtilities.com

Effective Date:

SoCalGas respectfully requests that this filing become effective January 27, 2004, which is not less than forty (40) days regular statutory notice. No resolution is needed to approve this filing.

Notice:

In accordance with Section III-G of General Order No. 96-A, a copy of this advice letter is being sent to the parties shown on Attachment A.

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Attachments

ATTACHMENT A

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(See Attached Service List)

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