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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Application of San Diego Gas & Electric
Company (U 902 E) for Authority to Partially
Fill the Local Capacity Requirement Need
Identified in D.14-03-004 and Enter into a
Purchase Power Tolling Agreement with
Carlsbad Energy Center, LLC.

A.14-07-009
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**NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION OF
ORANGE COUNTY BUSINESS COUNCIL, THE SAN DIEGO REGIONAL
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND THE
LOS ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

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Pursuant to Rules 8.3 and 8.4 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”), the Orange County Business Council, the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation and the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce provide this notice of the following ex parte communication.

On March 31, 2015, the Orange County Business Council, the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation and the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce mailed a joint letter to each of the Commissioners addressing the proposed decision issued in this docket. A copy of the letter is attached to this notice. The letter was served on parties on the same day that it was mailed to the Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

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LOS ANGELES AREA
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

March 31, 2015

President Michael Picker
Commissioner Mike Florio
Commissioner Catherine J.K. Sandoval
Commissioner Carla Peterman
Commissioner Liane M. Randolph
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: A.14-04-009 – Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U 902 E) for Authority to Partially Fill the Local Capacity requirement Need Identified in D. 14-03-004 and Enter into a Purchase Power Tolling Agreement with Carlsbad Energy Center, LLC.

Dear President Picker and Commissioners Florio, Sandoval, Peterman and Randolph,

We are writing on behalf of the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation (EDC), Orange County Business Council (OCBC), and the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce (LA Chamber) to express our strong support of Carlsbad Energy Center LLC's (Carlsbad Energy) modification to the recent proposed decision. Carlsbad Energy's modification allows most of the natural gas project to be implemented, and includes a provision where San Diego Gas & Electric could include preferred resources that may come from its current RFO. Equally important is that Carlsbad Energy's modification offer ensures reliability for the residents and businesses in the region.

The benefits of this modification to the region are multiple: as the sole project able to go online when Encina retires in 2017, the Carlsbad Energy Center will provide economic stimulus by creating good-paying jobs during the many phases of construction; and will provide assurances to residents and businesses that this region has a reliable source of energy that also continues to integrate wind and solar power as we move beyond the retirement of the San Onofre Nuclear Generation Station (SONGS).

Carlsbad Energy's project is part of California's renewable energy future. This new generating station will provide the insurance needed for those occasions when solar and wind power cannot meet the region's demands.

As a result, EDC, OCBC, and LA Chamber agree that modern, efficient gas-fired generation has to be part of the post-SONGS solution in Southern California. Gas-fired generation provides critical reliability services such as load following, voltage support and inertial support and is an effective complement to variable renewable resources.

Please feel free to contact Efrem Bycer with EDC at 619-234-8484 if you have any additional questions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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