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Mr. Paul Szymanski
San Diego Gas & Electric Company
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RE: San Diego Gas & Electric Company's Application for Confidentiality for the 2013
Integrated Energy Policy Report Electricity Demand Forecast Submission
Docket No. 13-IEP-1C

Dear Mr. Szymanski:

On June 21, 2013, the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) received San Diego Gas & Electric Company's (SDG&E) application for confidentiality in the above-captioned Docket. The application seeks confidentiality for some of the information contained in the Energy Commission's Electricity Retail Demand Forecast forms. SDG&E's application describes this information explicitly as follows:

IEPR Form 8.1a, Row 21: Natural Gas-Fired Average Fuel Price

SDG&E requests that the forecast data indicated be kept confidential for a period of three years, or through December 31, 2015.

SDG&E's application discusses the public interest in nondisclosure of this information:

SDG&E will be disadvantaged in procurement such that consumers may well pay higher energy prices than they would if the information was not publicly released. It is apparent that where parties have "unequal information" and where the seller knows that the buyer is in a position where it must procure seller's product, that sellers have an unfair advantage.

A properly filed application for confidentiality shall be granted under California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2505(a)(3)(A), "if the applicant makes a reasonable claim that the California Public Records Act or other provision of law authorizes the [Energy] Commission to keep the record confidential."

SDG&E's confidentiality application makes a reasonable claim to grant confidentiality for the Natural Gas-Fired Average Fuel Price forecast for years 2013 - 2015 based on the trade secret exemption to the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code, § 6254 (k)). The information will remain confidential through December 31, 2015.

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Persons may petition to inspect or copy the records that I have designated as confidential. The procedures and criteria for filing, reviewing, and acting upon such petitions are set forth in California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2506. Finally, an appeal of this decision must be filed within 14 days from the date of this decision. The procedures and criteria for appealing any part of this decision are set forth in California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2505.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Kerry Willis, Senior Staff Counsel, at (916) 654-3967.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Oglesby', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert P. Oglesby
Executive Director

cc: Docket Unit
Sylvia Bender