

Application of SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC
COMPANY (U902-E) for Approval of SB 350
Transportation Electrification Proposals

Application No. _____
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PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
NORMA G. JASSO
ON BEHALF OF SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY
CHAPTER 7

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

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4 **I. SDG&E COST RECOVERY**

5 SDG&E requests authority to establish two balancing accounts to record revenue and
6 costs associated with six priority review projects and one standard review residential charging
7 program as described in Randy Schimka’s direct testimony in Chapters 3 and 4, respectively.

8 SDG&E proposes to recover costs from all electric customer classes through distribution rates.

9 A two-way interest bearing balancing account mechanism is reasonable, and allows a
10 utility to collect the authorized revenue requirement for a given program depending on actual
11 costs while ensuring that the utility does not make or lose money due to uncertainties in the
12 scope of the work. In turn, ratepayers are charged for actual costs and refunded any
13 overcollections.

14 SDG&E proposes to establish a Clean Transportation Priority Balancing Account to
15 record revenue and incremental costs resulting from the implementation of these priority review
16 projects. A separate Residential Charging Balancing Account would be established for the
17 residential charging program, since this program is of a larger scale. SDG&E proposes to record
18 revenues associated with the authorized revenue requirement as well as capital-related costs (i.e.,
19 depreciation, taxes and return) and operating and maintenance incremental costs in the balancing
20 account(s). Details of the revenue requirement are presented in Michael Calabrese’s direct
21 testimony (Chapter 6).

22 The disposition of the accounts’ under or overcollected balances will be addressed in
23 SDG&E’s annual electric regulatory account update filing scheduled to be submitted as a Tier 2

1 advice letter in October of each year. In this Tier 2 advice letter, SDG&E presents the forecasted
2 year-end balances of certain regulatory accounts for amortization in rates effective January 1 of
3 the following year. SDG&E proposes to address the final disposition and closing of these
4 accounts in its post-2019 General Rate Case.

5 **II. WITNESS QUALIFICATIONS**

6 My name is Norma G. Jasso. I am employed by SDG&E, as the Regulatory Accounts
7 Analysis Manager in the Financial Analysis Department. My business address is 8330 Century
8 Park Court, San Diego, California 92123. My current responsibilities include managing the
9 process for the development, implementation, and analysis of regulatory balancing and
10 memorandum accounts. I assumed my current position in July 2013.

11 I received a Bachelors of Business Administration degree with an emphasis in
12 Accounting from the University of San Diego in 1981. I earned a Masters of Business
13 Administration from the University of Phoenix in 1996. I have been employed with SDG&E and
14 Sempra Energy since December 1997. Other positions I have held include Sundry Services
15 Policy and Compliance Project Manager II, Affiliate Compliance Manager, Senior Business
16 Analyst, and Accounting Systems Analyst.

17 This material was personally reviewed by me and I believe it to be correct and that it is
18 factual in nature. Insofar as the material is in the nature of opinion or judgment, it represents my
19 best judgment.

20 I have previously testified before this Commission.