ORA DATA REQUEST ORA-SDGE-044-JOH SDG&E 2019 GRC – A.17-10-007 SDG&E RESPONSE

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Exhibit Reference: SDG&E-35-WP SDG&E Witness: Ragan G. Reeves

Subject: Payroll Taxes

Please provide the following:

1. Exhibit SDG&E-35-WP, page 24 shows San Diego Gas & Electric Company 2019 GRC-App Tax Workpapers for calculation of Composite Payroll Tax Rate for years 2016 to 2019.

SDG&E projected Social Security wage base of \$130,500 for 2018 and \$135,600 for 2019 based on data reported in the 2017 Annual Report.

In November 2017, the Social Security Administration established new Social Security Maximum Taxable Earnings for 2018 of \$128,400.

- a. In the same format as presented in SDG&E-35-WP, page 24, please provide new composite payroll tax rates using SSA wage base of \$128,400 for 2018.
- b. For 2019, ORA requests that SDG&E provide in the same format as presented in SDG&E-35-WP, page 24, composite payroll tax rates using SSA wage base scenarios of \$129,600, \$131,100, and \$132,300.

SDG&E Response 1:

Please see separately attached file *ORA-SDGE-044 Attachment 1.pdf*. The yellow highlighted row "SS Wage Base" in the attachment reflects ORA's requested values for 2018 per part a and the three scenarios for 2019 per part b.