

UTILITY CONSUMERS ACTION NETWORK DATA REQUEST
UCAN-SDG&E-DR-03
SDG&E 2022 COST OF CAPITAL - A.21-08-014
DATE RECEIVED: FEBRUARY 14, 2022
DATE RESPONDED: FEBRUARY 18, 2022

INSTRUCTIONS:

Pursuant to rule 10.1 of the California Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure UCAN hereby submits this data request for information from SDG&E. If you will be unable to meet the above deadline, or need to discuss the content of this request, please call UCAN counsel at the number(s) shown above before the due date.

If you are unable to provide the information by the due date, have an objection to any request, or plan to assert a privilege to any request, please provide a written explanation to UCAN's counsel seven calendar days before the due date as to why the response date cannot be met and your best estimate of when the information can be provided.

If you are asserting an objection or privilege, please provide the specific nature of that objection or privilege claimed and the facts upon which such claim is based. If any document is redacted, please clearly identify and describe any information that is redacted from the document and provide an explanation for the redaction. Please identify the person who provides the response and their phone number. Provide electronic responses if possible.

If a document is available in Word or Excel format, do not send it as a PDF file. All data responses need to have each page numbered, referenced, and indexed so worksheets can be followed. If any number is calculated, include a copy of all electronic files so the formula and their sources can be reviewed.

These data requests shall be deemed continuing in nature so that you shall produce any additional or more current information that come to your attention after your initial responses have been sent up to the time of hearing or settlement.

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2. GENERAL OBJECTIONS

1. SDG&E objects generally to each request to the extent that it seeks information protected by the attorney-client privilege, the attorney work product doctrine, or any other applicable privilege or evidentiary doctrine. No information protected by such privileges will be knowingly disclosed.
2. SDG&E objects generally to each request that is overly broad and unduly burdensome. As part of this objection, SDG&E objects to discovery requests that seek “all documents” or “each and every document” and similarly worded requests on the grounds that such requests are unreasonably cumulative and duplicative, fail to identify with specificity the information or material sought, and create an unreasonable burden compared to the likelihood of such requests leading to the discovery of admissible evidence. Notwithstanding this objection, SDG&E will produce all relevant, non-privileged information not otherwise objected to that it is able to locate after reasonable inquiry.
3. SDG&E objects generally to each request to the extent that the request is vague, unintelligible, or fails to identify with sufficient particularity the information or documents requested and, thus, is not susceptible to response at this time.
4. SDG&E objects generally to each request that: (1) asks for a legal conclusion to be drawn or legal research to be conducted on the grounds that such requests are not designed to elicit facts and, thus, violate the principles underlying discovery; (2) requires SDG&E to do legal research or perform additional analyses to respond to the request; or (3) seeks access to counsel’s legal research, analyses or theories.
5. SDG&E objects generally to each request to the extent it seeks information or documents that are not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, or where the burden, expense, or intrusiveness of the request clearly outweighs the likelihood that the information sought will lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
6. SDG&E objects generally to each request to the extent that it is unreasonably duplicative or cumulative of other requests.
7. SDG&E objects generally to each request to the extent that it would require SDG&E to search its files for matters of public record such as filings, testimony, transcripts, decisions, orders, reports or other information, whether available in the public domain or through FERC or CPUC sources.
8. SDG&E objects generally to each request to the extent that it seeks information or documents that are not in the possession, custody or control of SDG&E.

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9. SDG&E objects generally to each request to the extent that the request would impose an undue burden on SDG&E by requiring it to perform studies, analyses or calculations or to create documents that do not currently exist.
10. SDG&E objects generally to each request that calls for information that contains trade secrets, is privileged or otherwise entitled to confidential protection by reference to statutory protection. SDG&E objects to providing such information absent an appropriate protective order or non-disclosure agreement.
11. SDG&E objects to any request that states that it is ongoing or that requires subsequent, supplemental information.

3. OBJECTIONS TO INSTRUCTIONS

1. SDG&E objects to the instructions to the extent it purports to require SDG&E to identify the individual(s) and their phone numbers responsible for providing the response. The responses reflect SDG&E's response as a Company to the requests and not the work of any one individual.
2. SDG&E objects to the instructions to the extent it purports to require SDG&E to identify any objections or privileges seven days prior to the due date. Such a request is beyond what is required by the CPUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure and is unduly burdensome.
3. SDG&E objects to the instructions to the extent it purports to the extent that it requires SDG&E to provide data responses in a manner that is unduly burdensome or beyond what is required by the CPUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure.
4. SDG&E objects to the instructions to the extent that it states that these requests are continuing in nature.

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1. Please refer to SDG&E's November 8, 2021 Compliance filing in A.21-08-014, Appendix A, Note (1) "2021 CCM Adjustment 3.33) and Note (a). Please provide complete workpapers showing the development of the Note (a) October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 monthly averages of Moody's Baa-rated utility bond index, including the base inputs and source and all intermediate calculations.

SDG&E Response 1:

Please refer to the separately attached spreadsheet "Attachment UCAN DR 03 Q1 Q2 Q4".

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2. Please refer to SDG&E's November 8, 2021 Compliance filing in A.21-08-014, Appendix A, Note (1) "CCM Benchmark 4.50" and Note (b). Please provide complete workpapers showing the development of the Note (a) October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019 monthly averages of Moody's Baa-rated utility bond index, including the base inputs and source and all intermediate calculations.

SDG&E Response 2:

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3. Please refer to SDG&E's November 8, 2021 Compliance filing in A.21-08-014, Appendix A, Note (1) "CCM Benchmark 4.50" and Note (b) reference https://www.sdge.com/sites/default/files/elec_elec-prelim_ccm.pdf. Please note that the referenced url is for an electric CCM tariff sheet which states "The established benchmark is 4.24%, which is the Moody's October 2011 through September 2012 average of the A-rated utility bond yield." Please provide the electric CCM tariff sheet setting forth the currently applicable CCM benchmark.

SDG&E Response 3:

Please see link below to SDG&E's current electric CCM tariff.

https://tariff.sdge.com/tm2/pdf/ELEC_ELEC-PRELIM_CCM.pdf

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4. Please refer to SDG&E's November 8, 2021 Compliance filing in A.21-08-014, Appendix B, pages 1 and 2. Please provide Appendix B, pages 1 and 2 in electronic spreadsheet format with all formulae and macros intact and functioning.

SDG&E Response 4:

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