

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

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for Approval of its 2012-2014 California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) and Energy Savings Assistance Programs and Budgets.	Application 11-05-017 (Filed May 16, 2011)
Application of Southern California Gas Company (U904G) for Approval of Low-Income Assistance Programs and Budgets for Program Years 2012-2014.	Application 11-05-018 (Filed May 16, 2011)
Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Approval of the 2012-2014 Energy Savings Assistance and California Alternate Rates for Energy Programs and Budget (U39M).	Application 11-05-019 (Filed May 16, 2011)
Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902M) for Approval of Low-Income Assistance Programs and Budgets for Program Years 2012-2014.	Application 11-05-020 (Filed May 16, 2011)

***EX PARTE* NOTICE OF THE GREENLINING INSTITUTE**

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Pursuant to Rules 8.2, 8.3, and 8.4 of the California Public Utility Commission’s (“the Commission”) Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Greenlining Institute gives notice of the following *ex parte* communication in this proceeding.

The communication was oral, occurring on May 16, 2013 beginning at approximately 2:00 p.m. and ending at approximately 2:05 p.m. Enrique Gallardo, Legal Counsel at Greenlining made comments at an All-Party meeting that Commissioner Catherine J.K. Sandoval had called in this proceeding. The All-Party meeting took place in the Low Income Oversight Board meeting. In addition to Commissioner Sandoval, Commissioner Carla J. Peterman may have been in attendance when the *ex parte* comments were made.

Mr. Gallardo responded to the All Party Questions issued by Commissioner Sandoval’s office. The questions were to assist the Commissioner in developing an Assigned Commissioner's Ruling (ACR) that will solicit comments concerning the determination of CARE eligibility, especially in regards to categorical eligibility.

In response to the issues of whether the Commission should require income verification separate from, instead of, or in addition to, enrollment in programs used to establish categorical eligibility, Mr. Gallardo urges the Commission to also consider the administrative costs of such changes, as well as any resulting reduction of enrollment. Mr. Gallardo urged the addition of these questions to the ACR.

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In response to the issue of how much variance should be permitted in the guidelines of categorical eligibility programs, Mr. Gallardo urged the Commission to consider evidence regarding the actual number of customers whose income is above 200 % of Federal Poverty Guidelines that result from these variances. Mr. Gallardo urged that the ACR include a call for review of such evidence.

Respectfully submitted,

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