

**ORA DATA REQUEST  
ORA-SCG-028-JOH  
SOCALGAS 2019 GRC – A.17-10-008  
SOCALGAS RESPONSE  
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**Exhibit Reference:** SCG-37-WP  
**SCG Witness:** Ragan G. Reeves  
**Subject:** Payroll Taxes

**Please provide the following:**

1. Exhibit SCG-37-WP, page 20 shows Southern California Gas Company 2019 GRCAApp Tax Workpapers for calculation of Composite Payroll Tax Rate for years 2016 to 2019.

SCG 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 SCG-37-WP, page 20, please provide new composite payroll tax rates using SSA wage base of \$128,400 for 2018.
- b. For 2019, ORA requests that SCG provide in the same format as presented in SCG-37-WP, page 20, composite payroll tax rates using SSA wage base scenarios of \$129,600, \$131,100, and \$132,300.

**SoCalGas Response 1:**

Please see separately attached file *ORA-SCG-028 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.