

ORA DATA REQUEST
ORA-SCG-103-CL8
SOCALGAS 2019 GRC – A.17-10-008
SOCALGAS RESPONSE
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Exhibit Reference: SCG-35-WP-R

SCG Witness: Patrick Moersen

Subject: Rate Base

Please provide the following:

1. Please provide the 2017 recorded monthly debit, credit, balance, and cumulative balance amounts of Customer Advances for Construction (CAC). Provide this information by submitting an updated version of the spreadsheet, “SCG-35-WP-R Section IV, e,” that replaces the originally forecasted 2017 amounts with recorded 2017 amounts. This spreadsheet is contained within the Excel workpapers, “SCG-35-WPR_PMoersen_Excel-Based_WP.

SoCalGas Response 1:

Please refer to the attached document “ORA_SCG-103-CL8.xlsx,” which is an updated version of spreadsheet “SCG-35-WP-R Section IV, e,” of Exhibit SCG-35-WP-R (Revised Workpapers to Prepared Direct Testimony of Patrick D. Moersen). The forecasted 2017 numbers have been updated with 2017 actuals.

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2. Please provide the annual number of meter sets associated with accounts subject to CAC. Provide this information for the years 2012-2017.

SoCalGas Response 2:

SoCalGas objects to this request on the grounds that it appears to seek information that is neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of relevant evidence. There is no annual correlation between CAC balances and meter set installations. As stated in Exhibit SCG-35-R (Revised Direct Testimony of Patrick D. Moersen) at PDM-9:4-8, CAC “represents refundable cash advances for construction paid by third parties and/or customers who have requested the installation of new business mains and services. These cash advances are subject to refund when new customers and appliances are added to these lines...” CAC balances are a leading indicator whereas new meter set installations are a lagging indicator. To illustrate, meter set installations for 2014 may be related to CAC balances from 2011. Subject to and without waiving its objection, SoCalGas responds as follows. Please refer to Exhibit SCG-04-R (Revised Direct Testimony of Gina Orozco-Mejia) at GOM-94, Table GOM-36 for the annual number of total new meter set installations for 2012 – 2017.