SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

ORDER INSTITUTING RULEMAKING TO ESTABLISH POLICIES, PROCESSES AND RULES TO ENSURE SAFE AND RELIABLE GAS SYSTEMS IN CALIFORNIA AND PERFORM LONG-TERM GAS SYSTEM PLANNING (R.20-01-007)

(1st DATA REQUEST FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COALITION)

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QUESTION 1:

In the slide deck entitled "Backbone Transportation Service Open Season 2020" posted on Envoy on February 27, 2020, SoCalGas and SDG&E say at slide 10 that 750 MMcfd will be made available for the Southern Zone in the open season capacity offering. The slide also shows that in 2017, 1,210 MMcfd was made available. Please provide a narrative explanation of all factors that limit the 2020 offering to 750 MMcfd in comparison to the 2017 offering of 1,210 MMcfd.

RESPONSE 1:

SoCalGas expects to make 750 MMcfd of firm receipt capacity available on its Southern Zone during the 2020 Open Season due to two factors: low seasonal demand within the Southern Zone and a limitation on the amount of gas that can flow out of the Southern Zone west of Moreno. Given these two factors, 750 MMcfd represents a quantity of firm capacity for the Southern Zone that is reliably available on a year-round basis. Offering firm capacity in excess of this amount could result in over-nominations and firm primary capacity cuts during periods of anticipated low demand.