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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20426

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In Reply Refer To:  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company,  
Southern California Edison Company,  
and San Diego Gas & Electric Company  
Docket No. ER19-1945-000

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Attention: Jane I. Ryan, Esq.

Dear Ms. Ryan:

1. On May 22, 2019, you submitted, on behalf of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (Parties), an amendment to a 2017 settlement agreement (2017 Settlement Agreement).<sup>1</sup> The 2017 Settlement Agreement provided for the settlement of claims related to invoicing for the California Independent System Operator Corporation's (CAISO) purchases in the CAISO real-time market to serve the load requirements of the customers of the Parties during a portion of the Western energy crisis of 2000-2001. The 2017 Settlement Agreement provided that implementation of the charges and credits would be delayed until the final reconciliation among the Parties of liabilities related to the Western energy crisis of 2000-2001.

2. The Parties state that in the course of the settlement overlay process directed by the Commission in Docket No. EL00-95-291, et al.,<sup>2</sup> a Western energy crisis-related proceeding, they discovered that, in certain settlements, refund amounts that would have been allocated to the Parties were not accounted for in the 2017 Settlement Agreement, and as a result, the credits and charges set forth in the 2017 Settlement Agreement did not fully satisfy the Parties' intent that each Party be liable for its correct share of the total

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<sup>1</sup> See *Pac. Gas & Elec. Co.*, 160 FERC ¶ 62,061 (2017).

<sup>2</sup> See *San Diego Gas & Electric Co. v. Seller of Energy and Ancillary Servs.*, 164 FERC ¶ 61,019 (2018).

amount invoiced for CAISO's purchases during the settlement period. As a result, the Parties amended the 2017 Settlement Agreement to make that correction. The Parties explain that the amended 2017 Settlement Agreement simply adjusts liabilities among the Parties and does not shift liability to or from any other person or entity, does not impact the rights of third parties, and does not impact any other Commission proceeding.

3. The amended 2017 Settlement Agreement appears to be fair and reasonable and in the public interest, and is hereby approved. The Commission's approval does not constitute approval of, or a precedent regarding, any principle or issue in this proceeding.

By direction of the Commission.

Kimberly D. Bose,  
Secretary.