Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U 902 G) and Southern California Gas Company (U 904 G) Updating Firm Access Rights Service and Rates.

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PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF SIM-CHENG FUNG ON BEHALF OF SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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I. QUALIFICATIONS

My name is Sim-Cheng Fung. My business address is 555 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, California 90013-1011.

I am employed by Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) as a Senior Market Advisor II in the Energy Markets and Capacity Products Group. I hold a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wellesley College and a Master of Business Administration degree in Finance from the University of California, Los Angeles. I have been employed by SoCalGas since 1981, and have held positions of increasing responsibility in the Treasury, Strategic Planning, Gas Supply, Operations Staff, Gas Acquisition and Energy Markets & Capacity Products departments. I have been a Senior Market Advisor since 1998 and am responsible for providing analytical support to the Capacity Products Group.

PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF SIM-CHENG FUNG

ON BEHALF OF SDG&E AND SOCALGAS

I have not previously testified before the Commission.

A. Rate Proposals

SDG&E/SoCalGas proposes to use the embedded cost transmission revenue requirement of \$210.1 million total (\$170.6 million SoCalGas + \$39.5 million SDG&E), per the BCAP Phase II Settlement Agreement, Section II.B.2.C., escalated to 2010 base margin to establish the cost-based rate as shown in Table 1 below:

Table 1 (BCAP D.09-11-006, Appendix A,Settlement Agreement, II.B.2.C), Escalated						
	to 2010 Base Margin					
	Total Transmission Costs					
	(A) (B) $C = (A) + (B)$					
	SoCalGas SDG&E Total					
(\$000) (\$000)						
Transmission Costs	170,627	\$39,466	210,093			

Table 2A shows that SoCalGas' backbone transmission is 69.2% of SoCalGas' total transmission cost. The 69.2% transmission cost split is based on a weighted average of 71.5% of capital-related costs and 67% of the combined operating and maintenance (O&M) and administrative general (A&G) expenses related to backbone transmission mains and compressor stations identified in Appendix A of my testimony. The 71.5% capital-related percentage reflects a weighted average of 76% of depreciation expenses and 69% of rate base associated with backbone transmission assets. The 67% of both O&M and A&G expenses represents the percentage of SoCalGas' transmission mileage that is classified as backbone transmission. The resulting 69.2% is applied to the adopted SoCalGas transmission revenue requirement of \$170.6 million shown in Table 2B, resulting in a backbone transmission cost of \$118.1 million.

Table 2A						
SoCalGas' Backbone Transmission Costs						
	(A) (B) $C = (A) \times (B)$ (D) = C/(A)					
				Backbone as % of		
	SoCalGas	Backbone	SoCalGas	SoCalGas		
	Transmission	Transmission	Backbone	Transmission		
	(\$000)	(%)	(\$000)			
Capital-related Costs	80,693	71.5%	57,696			
O&M, A&G Expenses	85,139	67.0%	57,043			
	165,832		114,740	69.2%		
		Table 2B				
	SoCalGas' Bac	kbone Transm	<u>ission Costs</u>			
	(A)	(B)	$C = (A) \times (B)$			
	SoCalGas	Backbone	SoCalGas			
	Transmission	Transmission	Backbone			
	(\$000)	(%)	(\$000)			
Transmission Costs	170,627	69.2%	118,057			

Table 3 shows the calculation of the allocation of the SDG&E/SoCalGas (the "utilities") backbone transmission cost to the local transmission function. The cold year annual average throughput is 2,651 MMcfd. 35% of the utilities' 1-in-10 year peak day end-use demand is

served directly off of the backbone transmission system, without going through any local transmission lines.¹ Assuming these regions make up the same percentage of average demand as peak demand, approximately 928 MMcfd of the system total average daily throughput of 2,651 MMcfd would be served from backbone transmission. This translates to approximately 24% of the utilities' total backbone capacity of 3,875 MMcfd. Therefore, the utilities have reallocated 24% of the embedded cost of backbone transmission to the local transmission function.

Table 3 Combined SDG&E and SoCalGas % of Backbone Allocated to Local					
		a			
		$C = A \times B$			
	(B)	Demand		(E) = C / D	
(A)	Demand Served	Served	(D)	% of Backbone	
Cold Year Annual	Directly from	Directly from	Total Backbone	Allocated to Local	
Average Demand	Backbone	Backbone	Receipt Capacity	Transmission	
(MMcfd)	(%)	(MMcfd)	(MMcfd)	Function	
2651	35%	928	3875	24%	

Table 4 shows the utilities' embedded cost of backbone transmission is \$119.8 million after reassigning 24% of costs to the local transmission function. The backbone cost represents 57% of the utilities' total transmission costs shown in Table 1.

Table 4							
	Combined SDG&E and SoCalGas Backbone Costs						
			(D)				
		C = (A) + (B)	% of Backbone	$(E) = C \times (1-D\%)$			
		SoCalGas &	Allocated to	Combined			
		SDG&E	Local	SoCalGas &			
(A)	(B)	Backbone	Transmission	SDG&E Backbone	(F) = (E)/Table 1,		
SoCalGas Backbone	Total SDG&E	Costs	Function	Costs	Column C		
(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(%)	(\$000)	(%)		
118,057	39,466	157,523	24%	119,805	57%		

^{2.0} Bcfd of the total system 1-in-10 peak day demand of 5.6 Bcfd is served off the backbone transmission system, through direct connection or distribution systems supplied from backbone transmission.

Table 5 shows the calculation of a cost-based backbone transportation rate of \$0.0986 per decatherm per day using the embedded cost of backbone transmission of \$119.8 million and 3,232 MMcfd, which is the average daily firm contract demand quantity (CDQ) from October 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009.

Table 5 Combined SDG&E and SoCalGas Backbone Transmission Rate (\$/Dth)					
			(D)		
(A)		$(C) = (A) \times$	Combined		
Average 15-Month	(B)	(B) x 365days	SoCalGas &	(E) = (D) / (C)	
Firm Contract Demand	BTU	Annual	SDG&E	Backbone	
Quantity(CDQ)	Conversion	Capacity	Backbone Costs	Transmission	
(MMcfd)	Factor	(MDth)	(\$000)	Rate/Dth	
3232	1.0302	1,215,405	119,805	\$ 0.0986	

SDG&E and SoCalGas do not recommend including the average 15-month level of interruptible usage (72 MMcfd, on average) in Column A above because we assume that backbone usage and subscriptions will decrease somewhat as a result of the rate increase shown in Table 5.

In addition to the \$119.8 million of transmission cost unbundled in the backbone capacity rate (see Table 5),and charging an in-kind fuel charge to the backbone shippers, would result in another \$11.3 million of cost removed from the current end-use customer rates as described by Ms. Smith. During 2009, SoCalGas used 2.073 Bcf of compression fuel to move 946 Bcf of receipts—this translates to an in-kind transmission fuel factor of 0.22%. Consistent with SoCalGas' postage-stamp backbone transmission capacity rate, this fuel factor would be charged for all backbone receipts, including California supply. The fuel factor would be adjusted every

quarter based on the fuel factor from the prior quarter, which is shown on the Daily Operations

page of Envoy. There would also be a small adjustment for the Q1 fuel factor to account for any
 over or under-collection of actual transmission fuel costs in the prior year using this method.
 This concludes my testimony.

Appendix A

Backbone & Local Transmission System identified by Pipeline Numbers

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SoCalGas' Ra	ickbone Pipelines	Backbone*		SoCa	lGas' Loca	l Pinalinas
53	1216	401		12	1170	6001
85	1220	801		115	1170	6154
90	1221	802		145	1172	6902
103	1229	803		160	1172	6903
119	2000	804		173	1174	7000
127	2001	805		214	1175	7000
133	2005	1204		222	1176	7023
169	2051	1204		243	1200	7042
174	3000	1600		321	1202	7042
203	3003	1601		324	1203	7044
225	3006	1602		325	1205	7049
235	3008	1603		404	1207	7047
245	3009	1604		406	1211	7051
247	4000	2009		407	1218	7054
293	4002	2010		408	1219	7054
294	5000	3010		512	1219	7056
300	5002	3011		765	1230	7058
303	5010	3012		767	1231	7059
309	5012	3600		775	1231	7067
324	5015	3601		800	1232	8032
335	5034	3001		1003	1234	8038
404	5036			1010	1236	8045
406	5041			1011	1240	8104
963	5043			1013	1241	8112
1004	6900			1013	2000	0112
1005	6901			1015	2001	
1027	6904			1016	2002	
1028	6905			1017	2003	
1030	6906			1018	2006	
1031	6907			1019	2007	
1134	7039			1020	3000	
1180	7053			1021	3001	
1181	7200			1022	3002	
1185	8100			1023	3004	
1186	8105			1024	3005	
1187	8106			1025	3007	
1190	8107			1026	4000	
1192	8108			1029	4001	
1201	8109			1129	5031	
1215	8110			1167	6000	
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^{*100%} of SDG&E's transmission system is backbone, per Mr. Bisi's testimony in A.04-12-004.

Appendix A (Cont'd)

SoCalGas/SDG&E	Miles	%
Backbone Miles	1,933	67%
Local T Miles	954	33%
Total SoCalGas	2,887	100%
SDG&E	170	
Total SoCalGas/SDG&E	3,057	

Compressor Stations - All Backbone					
Adelanto	Kelso	Rainbow	Wheeler Ridge		
Blythe	Moreno	So Needles			
Cactus City	Newberry	Sylmar			
Desert Center	No Needles	Ventura			