FIXING YOUR ELECTRICITY BILL NEEDS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S ATTENTION.

WE'RE ASKING THEM TO TAKE ACTION NOW.

YOUR ELECTRICITY BILL IS TOO HIGH. HERE'S ONE OF THE THINGS WE'RE DOING TO BRING PRICES DOWN.

eregulation was meant to bring competition to California's energy markets and benefit everyone with lower prices and more service options. This summer, however, electricity prices have jumped three to four times over what they were last year.

We've made an official filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) requesting that they step in and fix this situation.

First, they can declare that California's wholesale energy markets are not working.

Second, they can place an emergency order capping the price electric generators offer to the California Power Exchange (PX) and the Independent System Operator (Cal-ISO) at \$250 per megawatt-hour. This is similar to the wholesale price cap enacted by the Cal-ISO earlier this week, but applies it to a broader range of markets.

The Federal Energy
Regulatory Commission is
an independent regulatory
agency that approves rates
for wholesale electric sales
and transmission in
interstate commerce for
private utilities, power
marketers, power pools,
power exchanges and
independent system
operators.

Finally, since federal regulations only allow the price cap established by the Cal-ISO to remain in place until November 15, 2000, we've asked the FERC to keep this protection in place until the conditions improve.

We believe that properly planned, competitive energy markets will help increase supply and moderate pricing. But California's deregulated energy markets aren't working. And it's not fair that our customers should bear the brunt of the broken energy markets by having to pay higher electricity bills.

You can help. Let the FERC know you support SDG&E's actions by writing to:

David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426

You can also contact California Senators Feinstein and Boxer, your local congressional representative, or Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson to let them know you support SDG&E's request.

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