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San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) hereby submits its Annual Progress
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### FAMILY ELECTRIC RATE ASSISTANCE (FERA) PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT

Program Year 2014 Results

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

The purpose of this annual report is to provide information on San Diego Gas & Electric Company's (SDG&E) Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) Program<sup>1</sup> and to report on the administrative and subsidy costs incurred by the program. The California Public Utilities Commission (Commission or CPUC) in D.04-02-057, dated February 26, 2004, adopted the FERA program, whereby qualifying lower-middle income large household participants are charged Tier 2 (101% - 130% of baseline) electric rates for their Tier 3 (131% - 200% of baseline) usage. The FERA program is available to households of three or more persons with total household annual gross income levels between 200% (plus \$1) and 250% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG)<sup>2</sup> in accordance with D.05-10-044.<sup>3</sup> These income levels are subject to revision pursuant to the Commission's communication of its updated annual income guidelines, which are issued no later than April 1 of each year and effective June 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

SDG&E's FERA Program implementation plan utilizes the existing procedures already developed and adopted by the Commission for the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) Program. These existing protocols and procedures relate to outreach practices, enrollment, verification, and recertification activities. SDG&E uses a dual application form for the CARE and FERA program.

The following summarizes SDG&E's FERA Program activities for 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FERA was originally referred to in Decision (D.) 04-02-057 as the Middle Income Large Household Program.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> FPG Link: http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/11poverty.shtml

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See D.05-10-044, Ordering Paragraph 3.

## SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY'S FAMILY ELECTRIC RATE ASSISTANCE (FERA) PROGRAM

#### January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

#### I. Participant Information

## A. Provide the total number of FERA customers by month, for the reporting period.

TABLE 1				
2014	FERA Enrolled	FERA Receiving Tier 3 Benefit <sup>1</sup>		
January	4,877	2,647		
February	4,894	2,352		
March	5,057	2,244		
April	5,120	2,140		
May	5,204	2,434		
June	5,196	2,833		
July	5,280	3,161		
August	5,345	3,603		
September	5,401	3,795		
October	5,381	3,604		
November	5,455	2,697		
December	5,393	2,629		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This category does not include sub-metered tenants.

В.	Provide the total number of FERA-eligible households, FERA-participating
	households, and FERA household penetration rates by quarter.

TABLE 2				
	FERA Pene	tration Rate		
2014 Quarter   (Estimated ) FERA   Eligible   Households		FERA Participating Households	FERA Household Penetration Rate <sup>1</sup>	
March 31	46,295	5,057	10.9%	
June 30	46,369	5,196	11.2%	
September 30	46,453	5,401	11.6%	
December 31	46,501	5,393	11.6%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The FERA Household Penetration Rate is calculated by dividing FERA Participating Households by FERA-Eligible Households. Estimated number of FERA-eligible customers is 3.69% of SDG&E's residential electric customers.

## C. Discuss how the estimates of current FERA-eligible households were developed.

SDG&E used a customer information system count of residential customers within its territory as the basis for estimating the number of FERA-eligible households.

The estimate of FERA-eligible households was developed by multiplying the number of residential customers, by the factor in the Annual Eligibility Update for CARE/FERA<sup>4</sup>, which is 3.69% for program year 2014.

Total Residential Customers/Estimated Eligible = FERA Eligible Households.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Compliance Filing of Pacific Gas & Electric (U 39 M) on Behalf of Itself, Southern California Gas Company (U 904-G), San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U 902 M) and Southern California Edison Company (U 338-E) Regarding the Annual Estimates of CARE Eligible Customers and Related Information, filed February 11, 2014.

#### D. Provide the current FERA sub-metered tenant counts at year-end.

At year-end 2014, the number of sub-metered tenants participating in FERA totaled 195. Outreach and enrollment efforts for sub-metered facilities are leveraged with CARE outreach. Enrollments, however, continued to be heavily skewed to CARE in these facilities.

E. Discuss any problems encountered during the reporting period administering the FERA program for sub-metered tenants and/or mastermeter customers.

SDG&E did not encounter any problems administering the FERA Program for the sub-metered tenants during 2014.

#### II. Program Costs

#### A. Discount Cost

1. State the average monthly FERA discount received, in dollars per FERA customer.

2014 Average Monthly Discount per Customer = \$28.51

2. State the cumulative annual discount for all FERA customers.

2014 Cumulative Annual Discount = \$972,077

#### **B.** Administrative Cost

#### 1. Show the FERA Program's administrative cost by category.

See Table 4 below.

Table 4		
FERA Program Administrative Costs by Category and Benefits		
Category	Cost	
Outreach	\$ 12,200	
Processing, Certification, and		
Verification	\$ 12,940	
General Administration	\$ 29,566	
TOTAL PROGRAM COSTS	\$ 54,706	
CUSTOMER BENEFITS	\$972,077	
TOTAL PROGRAM COSTS & CUSTOMER BENEFITS	\$1,026,783	

#### 2. Explain what is included in each administrative cost category.

#### Outreach

The cost of outreach includes capitation fee payments and letter fulfillment.

Capitation fees are fees paid to partner agencies that generate enrollments for the program by cross-selling FERA with their other assistance programs.

#### **Processing, Certification, and Verification**

The cost of processing, certification and verification consists of the labor costs to process, certify and verify FERA applications.

#### **General Administration**

General administration costs include the costs associated with managing and reporting on the program.

#### **Customer Benefits**

Customer benefits costs include the cost of the FERA rate discounts provided to customers.

3. Explain how costs of joint CARE/FERA activities are charged to each program.

The costs of distinct CARE and FERA activities are charged separately to each program by using separate source codes for each program. To the extent possible, the costs of CARE/FERA activities are allocated in proportion to the work that was attributable to either CARE or FERA. Because most CARE and FERA Program activities are integrated, most costs are shared between the programs.

C. Provide the year-end December 31 balances for the FERA balancing account for both the current and prior reporting periods.

As of December 31, 2014, there was \$57,749 in the FERA sub-account of SDG&E's Baseline Balancing Account (BBA). The FERA sub-account records applicable costs associated with the FERA Program from its inception in 2004. The forecasted year-end 2013 balance under-collection of \$32,768 was amortized in 2013 rates and recorded to the FERA sub-account. The balance in the FERA sub-account of the BBA as of December 31, 2013 totaled \$35,666

#### III. Outreach

A. Discuss utility outreach activities and those undertaken by third parties on the utility's behalf.

#### Mass Media

Mass media allows SDG&E to educate and connect with its customers through diversified communication mediums designed to reach a mass audience. They serve to

drive overall awareness and complement other Outreach tactics. In 2014, mass media components included print, TV, radio and digital media.

#### **Print Campaigns**

In-language print ads were developed for both general and ethnic markets. Ethnic market campaigns targeted African American, Latino, Chinese, Vietnamese, and Filipino communities. Using SDG&E customers and employees, the English and in-language ads talked about the importance of the programs using culturally relevant cues that resonated with the target audience. The ads ran in various ethnic publications. Examples of the print ads can be found in Appendix 1.

#### **Television**

Fifteen and thirty second TV spots, targeting general market and Latino audiences took place throughout 2014. Various English and Spanish television networks aired the spots, which featured real customers taking part in the programs. The spots served to create overall awareness in conjunction with the numerous direct marketing and outreach activities taking place.

#### Radio

Fifteen second traffic IDs about the programs occurred on various radio stations.

The IDs briefly described the benefits of the programs and encouraged customers to learn more on SDG&E's web pages for assistance programs.

#### **Online Campaigns**

SDG&E used an online strategy of increasing awareness for the programs, driving online submissions, and geo-targeting SDG&E's service territory to target lower income

segments. The campaign used efforts such as paid search, display ads, video ads, ad networks, audio networks, news networks, and mobile networks. A summary of each effort is outlined below:

<u>Paid Search</u> – By using hundreds of key words such as "bill discount", "food stamps", and "qualify for WIC" users were exposed to ads featuring information about the programs. More than 53,000 customers visited the Customer Assistance landing page on the SDG&E website as a result of using search terms.

<u>Display Ads</u> – Display ads are online ads that appear next to content on web pages that are geo-targeted and feature both customers and SDG&E employees. Display ads had a 22% click through rate (CTR), which is defined as the percentage of times an ad is clicked on out of the total number of ad views within a given time period.

<u>Video Ads</u> – Video ads are online commercials that run on online versions of TV networks in an effort to increase awareness and campaign impressions to targeted demographics. Video ads run on news networks such as UT San Diego, ESPNLA and ESPN Deportes and target both English and Spanish language audiences.

In summary, digital campaigns produced over 107,000 web visits for 2014.

#### **Ethnic Marketing**

SDG&E reached numerous ethnicities throughout the year with a variety of mass media tactics. Latino, African American, Chinese, Vietnamese, and Filipino audiences were targeted by print and digital campaigns.

#### **Direct Marketing**

Direct marketing allows SDG&E to connect with individual customers through targeted tactics. In 2014, SDG&E's direct marketing tactics included direct and electronic mail campaigns, automated voice messaging (AVM) campaigns, bill inserts, and door-to-door efforts.

#### **Email Campaigns**

Campaigns were leveraged with the CARE and ESA Programs and contained an integrated message, directing customers to the online application process. Customer testimonials were the featured concept while subject lines and content were modified based on results. Email campaigns were designed in tandem with the corresponding awareness campaigns that featured the same customer testimonials in order to reinforce messaging and generate familiarity amongst customers. See Appendix 2 for sample of email creative.

#### **Direct Mail Campaigns**

SDG&E reintroduced the use of direct mail campaigns in late 2014 as one direct touch tactic in its "multi-tactic" campaign. From July through December, targeted segments of customers were sent a direct mail postcard that included the customer's account number. Customers were encouraged to use the account number to call SDG&E's CARE Interactive Voice Response (IVR) number to enroll by phone.

#### **Automated Voice Messaging (AVM) Campaigns**

SDG&E decreased use of the AVM as a monthly tactic due to a sharp decline in response. Instead, SDG&E used AVM to reach the rural customer segment.

#### **Bill Inserts**

The mandated annual CARE/FERA bilingual notification took place in July. All non-CARE customers received the bilingual application in their SDG&E bill. In addition, bilingual bill inserts were distributed in March and November through the monthly bill. See Appendix 3 for sample of bill insert.

#### Door-to-Door

In order to target multilingual and harder to reach customers, SDG&E collaborated with The Harris Group, a Diverse Business Enterprise (DBE) vendor, in order to identify, strategize and implement door-to-door campaigns in high-to-mid density, potentially eligible neighborhoods. Contractors canvassed these neighborhoods and were able to directly interact with customers, in-language when necessary, to enroll them in the program. In 2014, door-to-door efforts resulted in 454 FERA customer enrollments.

#### **Community Outreach & Engagement**

Community outreach is a key component in educating the general public about the Customer Assistance programs, as well as reaching out and engaging eligible customers. Tactics utilized by SDG&E in this area include partnerships with social service agencies and nonprofit organizations, presentations, workshops/trainings, and participation at community events.

#### **CARE Partners (Capitation Agencies)**

SDG&E collaborates with social service community organizations that serve lowincome and in-need clients every day. Agencies, such as WIC, are often referred to as central intake agencies; these agencies provide a single point of contact for client information required by a number of local, state or federally-funded customer assistance programs. In 2014, SDG&E worked closely with 20 partner agencies in order to enroll customers in the CARE and FERA Programs. In 2014, these partners contributed 66 FERA Program enrollments.

#### **Energy Solutions Partner Network**

SDG&E continues to work with an established network of more than 250 nonprofit and community-based organizations, collectively called the Energy Solutions Partner Network. This network helps coordinate enhanced outreach efforts, including customized messaging, social media posts, special events and promotions. Largely grassroots, multicultural, and neighborhood centric, these organizations are diverse and provide direct services to populations including seniors, special needs/disabled, low-income and young families. In 2014, nearly 1,200 activities were coordinated through this partner network to promote the CARE and FERA Programs.

#### **Community Events & Presentations:**

Each year, SDG&E coordinates participation at hundreds of community events and presentations throughout its service area. Many of these opportunities are requests from organizations that serve multicultural, rural, senior, and special needs audiences. While events and presentations generally do not generate program enrollments, these tactics are important in educating and engaging organizations that serve these audiences. In 2014, SDG&E promoted the Customer Assistance solutions, including the FERA Program at over 1,250 presentations and events.

#### **Integration Efforts**

Integration Efforts represents the combined efforts of internal resources to raise program awareness and create a positive customer experience. In 2014, integration efforts included SDG&E's interactive voice response (IVR) system, Energy Service Specialists (ESS), branch offices, field collectors, collection calls, and informational brochures.

#### **Customer Contact Center**

SDG&E's Customer Contact Center assists thousands of customers with a variety of energy inquiries. While waiting to speak with an Energy Service Specialist (ESS), customers are provided information about the CARE, FERA and ESA Programs in both English and Spanish. Customers are provided an option of requesting a CARE application through this process as well. In addition, the CARE program has a dedicated IVR that allows customers to call and enroll in the program. The IVR asks a series of questions used to determine eligibility for the program while customers interact using the touch-tone keypad on their phone. The system offers English and Spanish options and, in 2014, over 91 FERA program enrollments resulted from the IVR.

#### **Branch Offices**

The Customer Assistance team and the company's bill payment locations, which include SDG&E's branch offices, continually collaborate and promote applicable solutions for customers. The outreach team regularly engages branch office staff to provide training and presentations on the CARE, FERA and ESA Programs.

Additionally, fifteen customer engagement fairs were held at branch office locations on

high-traffic days to help customers enroll in CARE. In 2014, Branch Offices contributed 46 FERA program enrollments.

#### **Field Collection**

SDG&E field collectors deliver notices to customers facing disconnection due to non-payment. Collectors are educated about the CARE and FERA programs and include program applications as part of their notification process.

#### **Collection Call**

SDG&E provides an additional outbound telephone call and a follow up letter to customers facing collection activity on their account. The letter includes information about solutions available to them including payment arrangements and information on the assistance programs. A sample letter is included in Appendix 4.

#### **Informational Brochures**

Brochures, featuring other energy-saving solutions, include information on the customer assistance programs. There are several examples including "The Whole House Guide," which offers customers information on residential energy efficiency resources such as rebates, energy surveys and appliance recycling; "The Guide to SDG&E Services," which details the various services offered like Gas Safety Check; and "The Floor to Ceiling Guide," which contains helpful energy efficiency information. These brochures are available to customers through direct requests or at various outreach events.

#### B. Discuss each of the following:

1. How FERA customer data and other relevant program information is shared within the utility, for example, between its Energy Savings Assistance Program and other appropriate low-income programs.

FERA information is distributed in conjunction with the CARE program. Both FERA and CARE are promoted through a joint application form. All outreach efforts for FERA are combined with the CARE program outreach. For example, all targeted direct mail and telephone campaigns promote the FERA Program through the joint application form. Customers entering income that exceeds the CARE guidelines but are within the FERA guidelines are appropriately enrolled in FERA. Additionally, customer data received from the Energy Savings Assistance Program regarding potentially eligible customers are shared with the FERA Program.

Additionally, SDG&E leverages FERA program information with SDG&E's Middle Income Direct Install (MIDI) Program. The MIDI Program management team leveraged income verification practices, as well as FERA verification documentation, for the purpose of simplifying enrollment processes for customers participating in the MIDI Program. Contractors conducting outreach for MIDI also inform customers under their guidelines about the CARE, FERA and ESA programs.

2. Discuss barriers to participation encountered during the reporting period and steps taken to mitigate them.

FERA Program marketing, education and outreach efforts are leveraged with CARE Program efforts. CARE Program outreach is highly targeted to lower income areas with a number of tactics utilized to connect with potentially eligible customers including mass media campaigns, direct mail, email, automated voice messaging, print

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advertising, door-to-door canvassing, social media, events, presentations and workshops. Enrollments in the FERA Program result from a customer ineligibility in the CARE Program, with customer qualification based on household size and eligibility information within the FERA guidelines. This process does not result in a large quantity of FERA customer enrollments. For example, in 2014, SDG&E received over 131,400 eligible applications, of which approximately 3,738 were received as FERA applications.

#### **IV.** Processing FERA Applications

- A. Processing Self-Certification and Self-Recertification Applications (individual and sub-metered customers)
  - 1. Provide the number of utility and third-party FERA self-certification and self-recertification applications provided, received, approved, denied, pending/never completed, or duplicates for the reporting period.

Table 5						
FERA Self-Certification and Self-Recertification Applications <sup>1</sup>						
Provided <sup>2</sup> Received Approved <sup>3</sup> Denied Pending/Never Completed s						Duplicate s
Utility	423,977	3,631	3,270	39	0	322
Capitation		83	73	1	0	9
Other Third- Party		24	22	0	0	2
Total		3,738	3,365	40	0	333

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This includes sub-metered tenants. Self-Certification applications are distributed/mailed through a wide variety of fulfillment and outreach methods, such that it is not possible to determine an actual count.

#### **B.** Processing Random Post-Enrollment Verification Requests

1. Provide the total number of verifications requested, received, approved, denied, pending/never completed, or duplicates, for the reporting period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The FERA and CARE applications are joint applications. This number represents an estimate of all applications provided.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Approved includes CARE ineligible applications that are eligible for FERA.

	Table 6						
	FERA Random Post-Enrollment Verification Requests						
	Requested	Received	Approved <sup>1</sup>	Denied	Pending/Never	<b>Duplicates</b>	
		1			Completed		
Total	3	216	196	15	0		5

<sup>1</sup> Received and Approved includes CARE ineligible Post Enrollment Verification Requests that are eligible for FERA.

#### V. Program Management

A. Discuss issues and/or events that significantly affected program management in the reporting period and how these were addressed.

There were no significant issues affecting FERA Program management in 2014.

# APPENDIX 1-4

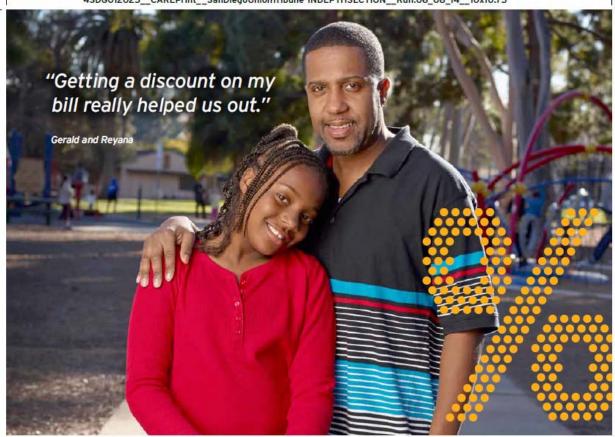
## **FERA Program**

# **APPENDIX FERA Program:**

- 1. Print Ads
- 2. Email Campaign
- 3. Bill Insert
- 4. Credit and Collections Notices

#### Appendix 1 - English Print Ad

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#### Appendix 1 (Continuted) - Spanish Print Ad



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Nuestros representantes CARE, como Marlene, pueden ayudarle a ahorrar en su factura de energía. Para ver si tiene derecho a CARE u otros programas que pueden ayudarle a reducir sus costos de energía, llame al **211 o visite sdge.com/ahorro.** 

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#### Appendix 1 (Continuted) - Vietnamese Print Ad



#### Appendix 1 (Continuted) - Chinese Print Ad



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「就連下班了,我也會隨時隨地跟大家介紹我們的計劃。我真的很希望大家能好好利用這個省錢的機會,尤其它比過去更容易申請了。」

事實上,您和家人從今天起就能過得更舒適。您可用每月省下的錢來支付重要的家用開銷,如伙食、交通和住房。

只要您符合我們的CARE計劃,您每個月就可在SDG&E®帳單上得到20%折扣,平均 一年可節省\$275。 SDG&E 致力於服務社區,讓您省錢省心,好好照顧自己和家人。

如果您的收入有限,或最近失業,您就可能符合CARE計劃。想知道您是否符合資格,請上網到sdge.com/Chinese 或数電 211。

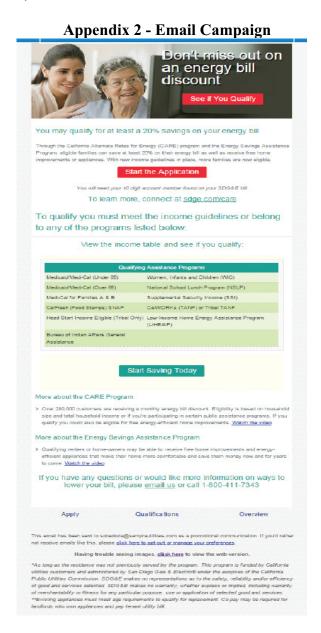
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#### Appendix 1 (Continuted) - Filipino Print Ad



#### SDG&E's FERA Report January 1 – December 31, 2014



#### **Appendix 3 - Bill Insert**





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  If family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) If you do not qualify for the CARL
  program, you may still qualify for the FERA Program, which offers a monthly
  discount on electric belts in flowerhood of 3 or more people with a signify in
  success than register for CARL. See the FERA income Guidelines listed below
  to find out if you qualify.

#### Rules for CARE and FERA participation

- The SDSSE® bill must be in your name and the address must be your
- primary residence.

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Number in Hassehold	CARE Total Annual	FERA Household Income*
1 or 2	531,460	Not Eligible
1	\$39,580	\$39,581-\$49,475
4	\$47,700	\$47,701 - \$59,625
5	\$55,820	555,821 - 569,775
6	\$63,940	\$63,941 - \$79,925
7	572,060	\$72,061 - \$90,075
	\$80,180	\$80,181 - \$100,225
Each Additional Person, add	\$8,120	\$8.120 - \$10,150

Es fácil presentar una solicitud para los programas de asistencia de SDG&E. Ofrecemos dos programas que pueden reducir su factura mensual.

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#### Reglas de participación para CARE y FERA

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4	\$47,700	\$47,701 - \$59,62
5	\$55,820	\$55.821 - \$69.77
6	\$43,940	\$63,941 - \$79,92
1	\$72,060	\$72,061 - \$90,07
	\$80,180	\$80,181 - \$100,22
Por cada persona adicional	\$8,120	\$8.120 - \$10.15



#### SDG&E's FERA Report January 1 – December 31, 2014

#### **Appendix 4 - Credit and Collections Notices**

Account:	Service Address:
Date Mailed:	

#### This is the final notice before your service is shut off

Your immediate attention is needed to avoid having your service shut off. Please pay \$XXX.XX before MM/DD/YY.

If your service is shut off for non-payment all past due amounts you owe must be paid before we can restore your service. You'll be billed for charges to re-establish service and you may be required to pay a deposit amount equal to twice the highest monthly SDG&E® bill in the past twelve months.

You can make your payment a number of different ways:

- Online at *sdge.com/myaccount*. There's no charge to pay online.
- On the phone by calling 1-800-386-0067. With BillMatrix you can use your Visa/MasterCard, Debit/ATM Card or electronic check.
- In person at one of our authorized payment locations or branch offices. Find one online at *sdge.com/residential/payment-locations*.
- With your phone using our mobile app. Visit *sdge.com/mobileapps* to get started.

Please have your account number handy if you decide to pay online or through BillMatrix . Your account number is at the top and bottom of this letter.

This is an urgent request so we ask that you please do not mail your payment. If your payment is returned because of insufficient funds, your service is subject to immediate shut off.

You may be eligible for financial assistance, our Level Pay Plan, payment arrangements and other income-qualified programs or discounts. Our Energy Service Specialists are here to help you. You can call us at 1-800-411-7343.

Si necesita ayuda para intepretar este aviso llamenos a 1-800-311-7343.

Please note – If you made a payment for the amount referenced above within the last few days or recently made a payment arrangement with us, please disregard this notice.

**DATE DUE** MM/DD/YY

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 1234567890