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Southern California Edison Company ("SCE") hereby gives notice pursuant to Rules 8.3(c) and 8.4(a) of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") of the following communication.

**DATE and TIME OF COMMUNICATION**: February 28, 2018, from approximately 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**LOCATION**: Commission's Los Angeles Office, 320 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 500, Los Angeles, CA 90013.

WHO INITIATED COMMUNICATION: Commissioner Guzman-Aceves

NAMES AND TITLES OF NON-CPUC PERSONS PRESENT: Laura Genao, Managing

Director, Regulatory Affairs and Jill C. Anderson, Vice-President, Customer Programs & Services

**NAMES AND TITLES OF CPUC PERSONS PRESENT**: Martha Guzman-Aceves, Commissioner, and Aloke Gupta, Energy Division Staff.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF COMMUNICATION: Ms. Anderson discussed SCE's commitment to the success of the future of the Demand Response Auction Mechanism (DRAM) Pilot, and then shared that SCE has had concerns with Sellers submitting supply plans and invoices to SCE showing an ability to curtail load beyond the load physically available to curtail. Ms. Anderson shared that the importance of the resources that SCE and the grid rely upon for resource adequacy (RA) cannot be overstated; if the DRAM Sellers do not provide actual curtailable load, reliability could be affected. Ms. Anderson discussed the importance of ensuring that any future DRAM pilot or program include stronger performance verification measures and appropriate penalties to deter behavior that could affect the reliability of the grid. In addition, Ms. Anderson shared that SCE relies on the supply plans submitted by DRAM Sellers to fulfill SCE's compliance obligations and the need for accurate and reliable supply plans from Sellers is paramount due to CAISO and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission rules and regulations. Ms. Anderson shared that SCE is strongly committed to work with both the Commission and stakeholders to ensure that the procurement and operational framework of the current DRAM and any potential future auctions demonstrate that all DRAM resources can perform as RA resources.

During this meeting, SCE also discussed its commitment to support utility pilots and programs that can assist low-income customers, and Ms. Anderson reiterated SCE's commitment to launch the SOMAH and the DAC-SASH programs quickly, as soon as administrative issues are resolved.

WRITTEN MATERIALS PROVIDED: No.

#### Respectfully submitted,

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