

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	DATE	<u>July 02, 2018</u>
MOTOR CARRIER MATTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	DOCKET NO.	<u>2018-217-E</u>
UTILITIES MATTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ORDER NO.	<u>2018-459</u>

THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.

SUBJECT:

DOCKET NO. 2018-217-E - Procedure Addressing Implementation of South Carolina General Assembly House Bill 4375, Including Provision of an Experimental Rate as Referenced in S. C. Code Ann. Section 58-34-20 - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration Implementation of South Carolina General Assembly House Bill 4375, Including Provision of an Experimental Rate as Referenced in S. C. Code Ann. Section 58-34-20.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Under the provisions of South Carolina Code Annotated Section 58-34-20, the South Carolina General Assembly has directed this Commission to provide an experimental rate to SCE&G customers, to be paid for a period of no earlier than April 1, 2018, until the issuance of this Commission's final order on the merits in the V.C. Summer matters. The experimental rate ordered by the General Assembly is to be calculated by taking the current electric utility rates that SCE&G customers are paying and reducing that amount by several of the rate increases imposed under the provisions of the Base Load Review Act in Order Nos. 2011-738, 2012-761, 2013-680(A), 2014-785, 2015-712, and 2016-758. The total amount of the increases under these Orders was \$367,364,487. Accordingly, Section 58-34-20 requires SCE&G to calculate new rates for its customers based on its present total retail revenues minus \$367,364,487 -- which represents approximately a 15 percent reduction in rates and tariffs -- and I move that we order the company to do so.

While the statute references the experimental rate on a going-forward basis, it also states that such rates shall be paid with the period beginning no earlier than April 1, 2018. Based upon the filing made by SCE&G late this morning, July 2nd, in the form of a letter to Chief Clerk and Administrator, Jocelyn Boyd, SCE&G has interpreted this to mean that the decrement should date from April 1, 2018. The company has therefore made proposed tariff filings consistent with that date. I next move that we consider the proposed decrement implementation proposals set out by the company in its letter of today's date, and that we reconvene tomorrow to further consider the implementation of what we today have ordered.

In its letter, SCE&G computed the rate increases authorized by the six revised rates orders referenced by House Bill 4375 for each of its 25 retail electric rates and for each billing component applicable under those rates. SCE&G has submitted to the Commission its calculations of the rate decrements required to remove those increases from current rates. These rate decrements are shown on the proposed tariff sheet summary submitted this morning by SCE&G in this docket. Pursuant to this Motion, SCE&G shall file with the Commission no later than 11 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, July 3rd, 2018, the full tariff sheets referenced in the tariff sheet summary. SCE&G shall also simultaneously provide a reconciliation demonstrating that the tariffs filed produce the revenue reduction ordered by this Commission. Upon review of the filings, the Commission shall then direct and order

appropriate experimental rate reductions for SCE&G customers.

I so move, Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDING: Randall

SESSION: Special

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

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ERVIN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HAMILTON	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HOWARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
RANDALL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
WHITFIELD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
WILLIAMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Absent</u> Military Leave

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RECORDED BY: D. Easterling

