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**TO: PARTIES OF RECORD
COMMISSION SECRETARY**

FROM: KARL KLEIN

DATE: MARCH 11, 2016

**SUBJECT: REPLACEMENT PAGE FOR STAFF COMMENTS SUBMITTED
MARCH 10, 2016 IN CASE NO. PAC-E-16-05**

In the Comments of the Commission Staff dated March 10, 2016, page 9, the second and third sentences in the first paragraph under the CUSTOMER RELATIONS heading incorrectly stated that the Company's customer notice did not include the proposed percentage decrease for each major customer class.

The attached revised page 9 deletes these two sentences and replaces the original page 9 in Staff's comments.


Karl Klein
Deputy Attorney General for Commission Staff

Summary of Balancing Accounts (thru Nov. 30, 2015)	Company Filing	Staff Deferral Adjustments	Staff Interest Adjustments	Staff Proposal
Unamortized Previous Balance	26,720,238			26,720,238
ECAM Rider Revenues	(19,769,949)			(19,769,949)
2016 ECAM Deferral	16,629,079	(51,343)		16,577,736
Interest on Deferral	97,008		(8,019)	88,989
Interest on Balancing Accounts	186,950		113	187,063
Total Company Recovery	23,863,325	(51,343)	(7,907)	23,804,075

Finally, Staff notes that there was a March ending balance of \$134,000 in the “Tariff Customer Balancing Account” that was rolled into the April “All Customer Balancing Account.” Staff believes that this is a reasonable treatment given the small size of the amount.

Analysis of Proposed Rates

Staff thoroughly reviewed the Company’s rate design and found that it complies with past Commission orders and that the Company’s calculations are accurate and reasonable. Given the limited size of Staff’s proposed adjustments, Staff does not recommend a change in the Company’s proposed rates. Rather, Staff recommends that the adjustments be carried forward with any remaining balances to be collected in next year’s ECAM.

CUSTOMER RELATIONS

The Company’s Application includes a press release and customer notice. The customer notice was mailed with cyclical billings. The last notice was mailed on February 24, 2016, which allowed customers a reasonable opportunity to file timely comments with the Commission by the March 10, 2016, deadline.

As of March 10, 2016, the Commission has received no comments from customers.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that a total deferral amount of \$16,577,736 (without interest) for the period of December 1, 2014 through November 30, 2015 be approved for recovery from ratepayers.

In addition Staff recommends that:

1. The Company decrease interest amounts reflected in the balancing accounts by \$7,907 based on Staff’s proposed adjustments.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE THIS 11TH DAY OF MARCH 2016, SERVED THE FOREGOING **REVISED PAGE 9 TO THE COMMENTS OF THE COMMISSION STAFF**, IN CASE NO. PAC-E-16-05, BY MAILING A COPY THEREOF, POSTAGE PREPAID, TO THE FOLLOWING:

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