

Summary of Existing Residential Electric Rates

For residential customers, SCE&G offers six rates (1, 2, 5, 6, 7 & 8).

RATE 1 (Good Cents) Effective January 15, 1996, this rate is closed and not available to any new structure, but any customer buying an existing structure that has previously been approved for Rate 1 may take service under this rate. This rate is a seasonal rate designed to give residential customers whose homes meet stringent thermal and equipment energy conservation requirements a savings over Rate 8.

RATE 2 is a low-use rate for customers who use less than 400 Kilowatt-hours (kWh) each month for a 12-month period. Customers who qualify are automatically transferred to this rate. If consumption exceeds 400 kWh twice in a 12-month period, the customer is transferred to the previous residential rate. Rate 2 energy charges are less than Residential Service Rate 8.

RATE 5 is a seasonal time-of-use rate designed to encourage energy use during off-peak hours. On-peak and off-peak hours vary from summer to winter. Summer on-peak hours are from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Winter on-peak hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The Rate 5 kWh energy charges are much higher for on-peak hours than the Rate 8 kWh energy charges. However, the charges for all other hours are off-peak and are lower than Rate 8. Weekends and major holidays are considered off-peak. The months of June through September are the summer season while October through May are the winter season.

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RATE 6 (Energy Saver/Conservation) is a seasonal rate designed to give residential customers whose homes meet stringent energy conservation requirements a savings over Rate 8. Customers requesting this rate must have their homes certified as meeting the Rate 6 requirements by an SCE&G representative. These requirements include substantial insulation in ceilings, walls and floors, as well as double glass or storm windows, sufficient attic ventilation, weather stripping, air conditioning and other home weatherization requirements.

RATE 7 is a residential service time-of-use demand rate that bills a demand charge for on-peak kW and an energy charge for on/off peak kWh. The on-peak and off-peak hours vary depending on summer or winter season. Summer on peak hours are from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., while winter on-peak hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Summer months are June through September while the winter months are October through May. Weekends and major holidays are considered off-peak. This rate is designed to encourage usage during off-peak hours. The rate requires a written contract for a period of not less than one (1) year.

RATE 8 is the most common rate. Most residential customers are currently being billed on this rate unless they have requested a change and met the requirements for one of the other residential rates. It includes a basic facilities charge and an energy charge per kWh. The first 800 kWh have a fixed charge for both summer and winter. All kWh in excess of the first 800 are billed at a lower winter rate and a higher summer rate.

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