No COLA, Tanked Investments yet SCE&G wants a 9.5% Rate Hike!

I am outraged at the timing of SCE&G’s request for an almost 10% rate hike at a time of economic struggle unparalleled since the depression.

- SCE&G was approved for a 2.5 percent rate increase annually for the next decade, following a 4.4 percent rate hike in 2008.

- New rate hike will boost residential power bills for the average SCE&G customer by about $140 a year by July 2011.

- For Duke Power customers, the cost of 1,000 kilowatt hours is about $93, following its recent rate increase. For SCE&G, the same level of power costs $118. The rate boost, if granted, would put it at $130.

- SCE&G has higher rates than other investor-owned utilities, as well as publicly owned Santee-Cooper.

Please reconsider your request for additional rate increase. Give us working people a break!!!

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Those who hear not the music think the dancers are mad.

There is more to life than increasing its speed. - Mahatma Gandhi