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# SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

# **NOTICE OF**

# **ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS**

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) will be held on June 7, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. at 101 Ash Street, San Diego, California. SDG&E is a subsidiary of Sempra Energy.

The Annual Meeting will be held for the following purposes:

(1) To elect directors for the ensuing year.

(2) To obtain advisory approval of our executive compensation.

(3) To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Shareholders of record at the close of business on April 20, 2012, are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting is a business-only meeting. It will not include any presentations by management and the company does not encourage shareholder attendance.

Only shareholders are entitled to attend the Annual Meeting. Shareholders who own shares registered in their names will be admitted to the meeting upon verification of record share ownership. Shareholders who own shares through banks, brokers or other nominees must present proof of beneficial share ownership (such as the most recent account statement prior to April 20, 2012) to be admitted.

Additional information regarding the company is included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K and other documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. These documents also are available on the Sempra Energy website at www.sempra.com under the "Investors" and "Company SEC Filings" tabs. The company will furnish a copy of its 2011 Form 10-K (excluding exhibits, except those that are specifically requested) without charge to any of its shareholders who so request by writing to the office of the Corporate Secretary at 101 Ash Street, San Diego, California, 92101-3017. Information on the website does not constitute part of this Information Statement.

Jennifer F. Jett Corporate Secretary

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Information Statement Materials for the SDG&E Shareholders Meeting to be Held on June 7, 2012.

The Information Statement for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 7, 2012 and the Annual Report are available on the Internet at http://www.amstock.com/ProxyServices/ViewMaterials.asp.

#### **INFORMATION STATEMENT**

#### WE ARE NOT ASKING YOU FOR A PROXY AND YOU ARE REQUESTED NOT TO SEND US A PROXY

San Diego Gas & Electric Company is providing this Information Statement to its shareholders in connection with its Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 7, 2012. The Notice of Annual Meeting and Information Statement and the annual report to shareholders are being mailed to shareholders beginning on or about April 27, 2012.

# THE COMPANY

San Diego Gas & Electric Company, which we refer to as SDG&E, is an indirect investor-owned public utility subsidiary of Sempra Energy. SDG&E's principal executive offices are located at 8330 Century Park Court, San Diego, California, 92123-1530. Its telephone number is (619) 696-2000.

# **OUTSTANDING SHARES AND VOTING RIGHTS**

SDG&E's Board of Directors has fixed April 20, 2012, as the record date for determining the shareholders of SDG&E entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting. On that date, SDG&E's outstanding shares consisted of 116,583,358 shares of common stock, 1,373,770 shares of cumulative preferred stock and 2,040,000 shares of preference stock. All SDG&E common stock is owned by Enova Corporation, a wholly owned direct subsidiary of Sempra Energy.

In electing directors, each share of cumulative preferred stock is entitled to two votes and each share of common stock is entitled to one vote for each of the four director positions. Cumulative voting for directors is not permitted. In voting on any other matters that may be considered at the Annual Meeting, each share of cumulative preferred stock is entitled to two votes and each share of common stock is entitled to one vote. Shares of preference stock do not have any voting rights with respect to the matters to be considered at the Annual Meeting.

The shares of SDG&E owned by Enova Corporation and indirectly owned by Sempra Energy represent over 97% of SDG&E's outstanding shares and the number of votes entitled to be cast on the matters to be considered at the Annual Meeting. Enova Corporation has advised SDG&E that it intends to vote "FOR" each of the nominees for election to the Board of Directors and "FOR" advisory approval of our executive compensation. Therefore, each matter to be considered at the Annual Meeting will be approved.

# **GOVERNANCE OF THE COMPANY**

The business and affairs of SDG&E are managed and all corporate powers are exercised under the direction of its Board of Directors in accordance with the California General Corporation Law as implemented by its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

#### **Board of Directors**

#### Board Meetings; Annual Meeting of Shareholders

During 2011, the Board of Directors of SDG&E held 16 meetings and acted six times by unanimous written consent. Each director attended at least 75% of the meetings.

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders is a business-only meeting without presentations by management. The company does not encourage attendance at the meeting by public shareholders. Last year, all of the directors attended the meeting.

#### Leadership Structure

The Chief Executive Officer of the company also serves as the Chairman of the company's Board of Directors. The company has no lead director. As a subsidiary of Sempra Energy, SDG&E is not subject to stock exchange listing standards requiring independent directors and various board committees and, accordingly, has not established independence standards for its directors. All of the directors of the company are also officers of the company or Sempra Energy and, as such, none is an independent director. The SDG&E board does not maintain any committees.

Nominees for election as directors are determined by the Board of Directors, and the board will not consider director candidates recommended by shareholders other than its direct and indirect parent companies. The board consists of the Chief Executive Officer of the company and three senior officers of Sempra Energy with varying professional and business expertise. Although Sempra Energy and SDG&E promote diversity in hiring employees and in the appointment of their senior officers, diversity is not otherwise considered in selecting the officers that serve as directors of the company.

Sempra Energy's Board of Directors is composed of a substantial majority of independent directors and maintains standing Audit, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committees composed solely of independent directors. The Sempra Energy board also has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for Directors and Officers that is applicable to the directors and officers of SDG&E, and officers of SDG&E also are subject to Business Conduct Guidelines that apply to all employees of SDG&E.

#### Risk Oversight

Assessing and monitoring risks and risk management are functions of the Board of Directors of SDG&E. The board reviews and oversees strategic, financial and operating plans that generally are intended to provide reliable earnings with modest risk. SDG&E's management is responsible for identifying and moderating risk in a manner consistent with these goals. SDG&E has a board-established Risk Management Committee composed of members of management that is responsible for the oversight of risk management within the company's gas and electric procurement departments. The board fulfills its risk oversight function through management that reports directly to the board.

#### Review of Related Person Transactions

Securities and Exchange Commission rules require that SDG&E disclose certain transactions involving more than \$120,000 in which the company is a participant and any of its directors, nominees as directors or executive officers, or any member of their immediate families, has or will have a direct or indirect material interest. The Board of Directors has adopted a written policy that requires the board to review any such "related person transaction" before the company enters into the transaction. There have been no transactions or proposed transactions requiring such review during 2011 or 2012 through the mailing date of this Information Statement.

#### Communications with the Board

Shareholders or interested parties who wish to communicate with the Board of Directors or an individual director may do so by writing directly to the board or the director at the address set forth under the caption "The Company."

#### Compensation of Directors

All of our directors are employees of SDG&E or Sempra Energy and are not otherwise compensated for their service on the Board of Directors.

# INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Representatives of Deloitte & Touche LLP, the independent registered public accounting firm for SDG&E, are expected to attend the Annual Meeting. They will have the opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so and to respond to appropriate questions from shareholders. Deloitte & Touche also serves as the independent registered public accounting firm for Sempra Energy and its other public subsidiary, Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas).

The following table shows the fees paid to Deloitte & Touche for services provided to SDG&E for 2011 and 2010 (in thousands of dollars).

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	Fees	% of Total	Fees	% of Total		
Audit Fees						
Consolidated Financial Statements and Internal Controls Audit	\$1,936		\$1,888			
Regulatory Filings and Related Services	66		41			
Total Audit Fees	2,002	90%	1,929	89%		
Audit-Related Fees						
Employee Benefit Plan Audits	126		116			
Other Audit-Related Services	-		65			
Total Audit-Related Fees	126	6%	181	8%		
Tax Fees						
Tax Planning and Compliance	72		53			
Other Tax Services	-		—			
Total Tax Fees	72	3%	53	3%		
All Other Fees	15	1%		—		
Total Fees	\$2,215		\$2,163			

The Audit Committee of Sempra Energy's Board of Directors is directly responsible and has sole authority for selecting, appointing, retaining and overseeing the work and approving the compensation of the independent registered public accounting firm for Sempra Energy and its subsidiaries, including SDG&E. As a matter of good corporate governance, the SDG&E board also reviewed the performance of Deloitte & Touche and concurred with the determination by the Sempra Energy Audit Committee to retain them as our independent registered public accounting firm. Sempra Energy's board has determined that each member of its Audit Committee is an independent director and is financially literate, and that the chair of the committee is an audit committee financial expert.

Except where pre-approval is not required by the Securities and Exchange Commission rules, Sempra Energy's Audit Committee pre-approves all audit and permissible non-audit services provided by Deloitte & Touche for Sempra Energy and its subsidiaries. The committee's pre-approval policies and procedures provide for the general pre-approval of specific types of services and give detailed guidance to management as to the services that are eligible for general pre-approval. They require specific pre-approval of all other permitted services. For both types of pre-approval, the committee considers whether the services to be provided are consistent with maintaining the firm's independence. The policies and procedures also delegate authority to the chair of the committee to address any requests for pre-approval of services between committee meetings, with any pre-approval decisions to be reported to the committee at its next scheduled meeting.

# AUDIT REPORT

The Board of Directors of SDG&E has reviewed and discussed the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended December 31, 2011, with management and Deloitte & Touche LLP, the independent registered public accounting firm.

The board has discussed with Deloitte & Touche the matters required to be discussed by AU Section 380 of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, Communications with Audit Committees, as amended and adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board. The board also has received from Deloitte & Touche a letter providing the disclosures required by the applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board with respect to Deloitte & Touche's independence and has discussed their independence with them.

Based on these considerations, the Board of Directors directed that the audited financial statements of SDG&E be included in its Annual Report on Form 10–K for the year ended December 31, 2011, for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Jessie J. Knight, Jr., *Chair* Javade Chaudhri Steven D. Davis Joseph A. Householder

#### SHARE OWNERSHIP

All of the outstanding SDG&E common stock is owned by Enova Corporation and all of the outstanding common stock of Enova Corporation is owned by Sempra Energy. None of the directors or officers of SDG&E owns any preferred or preference shares of SDG&E, and SDG&E is unaware of any person who beneficially owns more than 5% of our preferred or preference shares.

The following table sets forth the number of shares of Sempra Energy common stock beneficially owned on March 30, 2012, by each director of SDG&E, by each executive officer of SDG&E named in the compensation tables of this Information Statement, and by all current directors and executive officers of SDG&E as a group. The shares of common stock beneficially owned by our directors and executive officers as a group total less than 1.0% of Sempra Energy's outstanding shares. In calculating this percentage, shares under the heading "Phantom Shares" are not included because these shares cannot be voted and may only be settled for cash.

Share Ownership	Current Beneficial Holdings (A)	Shares Subject To Exercisable Options (B)	Phantom Shares (C)	Total
Javade Chaudhri	45,874	86,375	4,309	136,558
Steven D. Davis (D)	18,184	58,150	3,234	79,568
Joseph A. Householder	35,323	57,675	4,484	97,482
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	23,390	43,325	7,075	73,790
Michael R. Niggli	69,153	106,250	7,050	182,453
Lee Schavrien	24,962	19,325	1,874	46,161
Robert M. Schlax	2,359	17,250	3,910	23,519
W. Davis Smith	16,353	24,375	704	41,432
Current SDG&E Directors and Executive Officers as a group (10 persons)	260,582	456,950	42,035	759,567

- (A) Includes unvested shares of restricted Sempra Energy common stock that may be voted but are not transferable until they vest. These total 1,957 shares for Mr. Schavrien; 1,419 shares for Mr. Smith; and 3,376 shares for all SDG&E directors and executive officers as a group.
- (B) Shares of Sempra Energy common stock which may be acquired through the exercise of stock options that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days.
- (C) Represents deferred compensation deemed invested in phantom shares of Sempra Energy common stock. These shares track the performance of Sempra Energy common stock but cannot be voted and may only be settled for cash.
- (D) Mr. Davis was appointed as a director of SDG&E on September 22, 2011 to fill the vacancy created by Mark Snell's resignation from the board on September 13, 2011.

Sempra Energy has approximately 230,000 shareholders. There are three persons known to us to own beneficially more than 5.0% of Sempra Energy outstanding shares: BlackRock, Inc., 40 East 52<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York, New York; Franklin Resources, Inc., One Franklin Parkway, San Mateo, California; and State Street Corporation, One Lincoln Street, Boston, Massachusetts. BlackRock has reported that at December 30, 2011, it and related entities beneficially owned 16,591,184 shares for which they had sole voting and dispositive power, representing approximately 6.9% of Sempra Energy outstanding shares. Franklin Resources has reported that at December 31, 2011, it and related entities beneficially owned 13,749,243 shares for which they had sole voting power over 13,644,033 shares and sole dispositive power over 13,749,243 shares, representing approximately 5.7% of Sempra Energy outstanding shares. State Street has reported that at December 31, 2011, it and related entities beneficially owned 12,278,835 shares for which they shared voting and dispositive power, representing approximately 5.1% of Sempra Energy outstanding shares.

Employee savings and stock ownership plans of Sempra Energy and its subsidiaries held 16,111,100 shares of Sempra Energy common stock (approximately 6.7% of the outstanding shares) for the benefit of employees as of March 30, 2012.

For information regarding share ownership requirements applicable to the company's directors and officers, please see "Executive Compensation — Compensation Discussion and Analysis — Share Ownership Requirements."

# Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Our directors and executive officers are required to file reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding their ownership of our shares. Based solely on our review of the reports filed and written representations from directors and executive officers that no other reports were required, we believe that all filing requirements were timely met during 2011.

# **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

At the Annual Meeting, four directors will be elected to hold office until the next Annual Meeting and until their successors have been elected and qualified. The four director candidates receiving the highest number of affirmative votes will be elected as directors of the company. Votes against the directors and votes withheld will have no legal effect.

The four current directors of the company have been nominated for re-election to the board. The name of each nominee, biographical information regarding each nominee and a description of each nominee's specific experience and attributes that make him a well qualified and valuable board member are set forth below. The directors have held the positions set forth below or various positions with the same or affiliated organizations for at least the last five years.



**Jessie J. Knight, Jr.**, 61, became a director and the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors of SDG&E in 2010. Prior to that, he was the Executive Vice President – External Affairs of Sempra Energy. Mr. Knight is a director of the Seattle-based Alaska Air Group and the San Diego Padres Baseball Club.

Mr. Knight has a keen understanding of the San Diego region and how to work with diverse community groups to achieve a common goal. Prior to joining Sempra Energy, Mr. Knight was the President and Chief Executive Officer of the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce where he bolstered his familiarity with local customers' perspectives. Before that, he served as a commissioner for the California Public Utilities Commission, gaining knowledge of California's energy and regulatory environment.



Energy. Mr. Chaudhri has extensive experience in legal affairs and compliance matters gained from his many years as a practicing attorney.

Javade Chaudhri, 59, became a director of SDG&E in 2010. He is an Executive Vice President and the General Counsel of Sempra

Prior to joining Sempra Energy, he served as General Counsel of Gateway Inc. and before that was a partner at several prominent law firms.



Steven D. Davis, 56, became a director of SDG&E in 2011. He is the Senior Vice President – External Affairs of Sempra Energy. Prior to assuming his current role with Sempra Energy, Mr. Davis served as Vice President – Investor Relations and Corporate Communications, where he oversaw Sempra Energy's shareholder relations and communications with the financial community and investors as well as all corporate communications. Prior to that, he was Senior Vice President of External Relations and Chief Financial Officer for the company and for SoCalGas, Sempra Energy's California regulated utilities. Mr. Davis is a board member and chairman of the Audit Committee for the Campanile Foundation at San Diego State University. He also serves on the advisory boards of San Diego Senior Community Centers and the San Diego Burn Institute.

Mr. Davis brings over 30 years of service to our company and its affiliates in a broad range of management roles. He has benefitted from years of hands-on experience with utility and energy infrastructure operations. That experience brings a multifaceted perspective and in-depth industry understanding to the board.

**Joseph A. Householder**, 56, became a director of SDG&E in 2010. He has been Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Sempra Energy since October 2011. Previously, he was Senior Vice President and Controller of Sempra Energy. Mr. Householder has served as Sempra Energy's Chief Accounting Officer since 2007.

Prior to joining Sempra Energy, Mr. Householder was a partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers' national tax office and served as Vice President of Corporate Development and Assistant Chief Financial Officer at Unocal. Mr. Householder has in-depth knowledge of corporate accounting, tax and compliance practices, particularly within the energy industry.



# ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

Our Board of Directors recognizes that performance-based executive compensation is an important element in driving long-term shareholder value. Pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, we are asking shareholders to approve an advisory resolution on SDG&E's executive compensation as reported in this Information Statement. This proposal, commonly known as a "say-on-pay" proposal, gives our shareholders the opportunity to express their views on the compensation of our executive officers named in the executive compensation tables in this Information Statement ("named executive officers").

To be approved, the proposal must receive votes "FOR" the proposal constituting a majority of the shares represented and voting at the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present, and the approving majority must also represent more than 25% of our outstanding voting stock. If you indicate "ABSTAIN," it will be counted for purposes of determining the presence or absence of a quorum for the transaction of business at the annual meeting, but will not be considered a vote cast with respect to this proposal.

#### **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

As described more fully in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this Information Statement, SDG&E's executive compensation program is designed to attract, motivate, and retain key employees, including our named executive officers, and promote strong, sustainable, long-term performance. We urge our shareholders to read "Executive Compensation—Compensation Discussion and Analysis," which describes in detail how our executive compensation policies and procedures operate and, more specifically, describes our 2011 executive compensation program and decisions. Our Board of Directors believes that our executive compensation program fulfills these objectives and is reasonable, competitive and aligned with our performance and the performance of our executives.

# Resolution

We are asking our shareholders to indicate their support for the compensation of our named executive officers as described in this Information Statement by voting in favor of the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, as an advisory matter, the shareholders of San Diego Gas & Electric Company approve the compensation paid to the company's named executive officers as disclosed in the company's Information Statement for the 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders pursuant to Item 402 of Regulation S-K, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, compensation tables and narrative discussion."

This say-on-pay vote is advisory and will not be binding on the company.

# **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

# COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

What information is provided in this section of the Information Statement?

In this Compensation Discussion and Analysis, we:

- Outline our compensation philosophy and discuss how the SDG&E Board of Directors determines executive pay.
- Describe each element of executive pay, including base salaries, short-term and long-term incentives and executive benefits.
- Describe how we manage risk in our incentive compensation plans.

## What is our Compensation Philosophy?

Our Board of Directors sets the company's executive pay philosophy.

Our compensation philosophy emphasizes:

- Aligning pay with short-term and long-term company performance.
- Performance-based incentives aligned with value creation for shareholders.
- Balance between short-term and long-term incentives.
- More pay tied to performance at higher levels of responsibility.

Elements of our pay program that demonstrate our pay-for-performance philosophy include:

- Over 70 percent of our CEO's target pay is performance-based.
- Performance measures in our short-term and long-term incentive plans are directly linked to the company's and Sempra Energy's financial performance and Sempra Energy shareholder returns.
- One hundred percent of short-term and long-term incentive compensation is performance-based.
- Long-term incentive compensation is delivered through performance-based restricted stock units with a performance measure tied to Sempra Energy's four-year relative cumulative total shareholder return.

We believe this compensation philosophy enables us to attract, motivate and retain key executive talent and promote strong, sustainable long-term performance.

Our compensation program goals include:

- Attracting and retaining executives of outstanding ability and proven experience who demonstrate high standards of integrity and ethics.
- Aligning compensation with company performance.
- Motivating executives to achieve superior performance.
- Strongly linking executive compensation to both annual and long-term corporate, business unit and individual performance.

Company performance is the key indicator of whether our programs are effective. In 2011, SDG&E employees participated in an annual incentive plan. The primary performance measures under the annual incentive plan were SDG&E earnings before interest and taxes ("EBIT"), nonfinancial operational measures and Sempra Energy earnings. In contrast, Sempra Energy total return to shareholders is the key measure for long-term performance.

#### What compensation governance measures are in place?

Our compensation practices, which are highlighted below, reflect our pay for performance philosophy and our commitment to sound corporate governance.

#### What We Do:

- We link pay to performance and shareholder interests. We use company earnings and relative total shareholder return as the primary incentive plan performance measures.
- We review external market data when making compensation decisions.
- Our clawback policy provides for the forfeiture, recovery or reimbursement of incentive plan awards as required by law or stock exchange rules. In addition, compensation may be recouped if the company determines that the results on which compensation was paid were not actually achieved, or in instances of an employee's fraudulent or intentional misconduct.
- All officers are subject to stock ownership requirements ranging from 3x base pay for SDG&E's CEO to 1x base pay for vice presidents.
- Change in control severance benefits are payable only upon a change in control with termination of employment ("double trigger").
- Mr. Knight does not participate in decisions regarding his own compensation. Our other executive officers also do not determine or approve their own pay.

#### What We <u>Don't</u> Do:

- Long-term incentive plan grants are made from a Sempra Energy shareholder-approved plan that prohibits stock option repricing and cash buyouts.
- Employees are prohibited from trading in puts, calls, options or other similar securities related to Sempra Energy common stock.
- No named executive officers received tax gross-ups.
- Officers are not given pension credit for years not worked.

# LABOR MARKET BENCHMARKING

#### How is external market data used in determining pay?

External pay data is used to help align executive compensation levels, in total and by component, with the labor market. The SDG&E Board of Directors views the labor market for our most senior positions as a nationwide, broad cross-section of companies in various industries.

During this benchmarking process, our Board:

- Reviews external market data from the Aon Hewitt Associates Total Compensation Database covering 180 non-financial Fortune 500 companies. Particular emphasis is given to the 108 companies with revenues between \$5 billion and \$15 billion.
- Reviews summary statistics of the companies included in this database (but not company-specific information) with the goal of managing total target pay opportunities to the median of this summary data. Actual pay levels will rise above or fall below these standards as a result of actual company and individual performance.
- Analyzes data for utility-specific positions periodically.

# How is internal equity used in determining pay?

Internal equity is used to determine the compensation for positions that are unique or difficult to benchmark against market data. Internal equity is also considered in establishing compensation for positions considered to be equivalent in responsibilities and importance.

# **COMPENSATION COMPONENTS**

The primary components of our compensation program are:

- Base salaries
- Performance-based annual bonuses
- Long-term performance-based equity incentive awards granted by Sempra Energy

Additional benefits include health and welfare programs, retirement and savings plans, personal benefits and severance pay.

All of our executive officers participate in the same compensation programs. However, market compensation levels used to establish compensation for the named executive officers vary substantially based upon the roles and responsibilities of individual officers.

# **Managing Risk in Compensation Plans**

SDG&E manages the risk inherent in incentive compensation plans by balancing short-term and long-term incentives and linking a higher proportion of total compensation to long-term incentives. Risk is also managed through the incentive plan design and selection of the performance measures.

Our risk management program is further strengthened by our adoption of a clawback policy, which applies to both short-term and long-term incentive plans, and our executive stock ownership requirements.

An independent consultant, Exequity, conducted a risk assessment of our incentive compensation programs. Their findings concluded that our incentive plans do not create risks that are likely to have a material adverse impact on the company. Specific examples of safeguards and risk-mitigating features found in our executive incentive compensation programs are listed below.

Our long-term incentive awards:

- Avoid "cliffs" in the payout scale, with no payout for performance at threshold. Payout scale ranges from zero at threshold to 150 percent at maximum.
  - An example of a cliff is a scale that pays 50 percent for threshold performance and zero for performance below threshold.
  - Our Board of Directors believes cliffs create pressure points that may encourage unintended results.
- Provide for a four-year performance period for restricted stock unit grants. This time period is consistent with the typical development time frame for our major capital investment projects.
- Use a market-based performance measure, Sempra Energy's relative total shareholder return, for restricted stock unit grants made by Sempra Energy.
- Measure Sempra Energy's total shareholder return against the S&P 500 Index and S&P 500 Utilities Index rather than against a peer group selected by the company.

Our annual bonus plans:

- Avoid "cliffs" in the payout scale, with no payout for performance at threshold. Payout scale is linear, ranging from zero at threshold to 200 percent at maximum.
- Use financial performance measures that are based on the earnings reported in our financial statements with certain predefined adjustments. These adjustments are limited and made only after thoughtful consideration by the SDG&E Board of Directors.
- Provide the SDG&E Board of Directors with upward and downward discretion over incentive plan payouts.

# Pay Mix

## What is "Pay Mix"?

Pay mix is the relative value of each of the primary compensation components as a percentage of total compensation. Figure 1 shows each component of our CEO's total pay at target company performance.



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Figure 1.

#### Why is pay mix important?

Our pay mix helps to align the interests of executives with the interests of shareholders. It does this by providing a much greater portion of pay through performance-based annual and long-term incentives rather than through base salary. This means that most pay is variable and will go up or down in value based on company performance. Approximately 70 percent of our CEO's total pay is delivered through performance-based incentives.

Figure 2 shows the percent of total pay at company target performance that comes from each major pay component for each of our named executive officers.

# **Components of Total Compensation**





Actual pay mix may vary substantially from that shown in the table. This may occur as a result of corporate and individual performance, which greatly affects annual bonuses and the value of long-term incentives.

#### 1. Base Salaries

Our executive compensation programs emphasize performance-based pay. This includes annual bonuses and equity-based long-term incentive awards. However, base salaries remain a necessary and typical part of compensation for attracting and retaining outstanding employees at all levels.

Salaries for our executive officers approximate the median of those for the non-financial Fortune 500 companies. Using national general industry comparisons helps us attract and retain top-quality executive talent from a broad range of backgrounds.

The SDG&E Board of Directors annually reviews base salaries for executive officers. The board considers the following factors in its review:

- Approximate mid-range of Fortune 500 salary data
- Individual contribution and performance
- Labor market conditions
- Company performance
- Complexity of roles and responsibilities
- Succession planning

#### • Retention needs

- Reporting relationships
- Internal equity
- Experience

Base Salary Adjustments for 2011

Based on a review of market data, Messrs. Knight and Schlax received base salary increases of 2.8 percent in 2011.

#### 2. Performance-Based Annual Bonuses

#### Performance Guidelines and Bonus Payments

Each year the SDG&E Board of Directors establishes performance guidelines for bonus payments. Consistent with our pay-for-performance philosophy, the guidelines do not provide for any bonus payment unless the company attains a threshold (minimum) performance level for the year. Bonus opportunities increase from zero for performance at the threshold level to 200 percent of target for performance at maximum.

Potential bonuses at threshold, target and maximum company performance are expressed as a percentage of each named executive officer's base salary. Table 1 illustrates how these percentages vary with the individual officer's position and attainment of goals.

In 2011, bonus opportunities for our named executive officers were as follows:

Bonus Potential as a Percent of Base Salary	Threshold	Target	Maximum
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	0%	60%	120%
Robert M. Schlax	0%	45%	90%
Michael R. Niggli	0%	60%	120%
Lee Schavrien	0%	50%	100%
W. Davis Smith	0%	45%	90%
Table 1.			

Performance at target is intended to result in bonuses at the mid-point of those for executives with comparable levels of responsibility at non-financial Fortune 500 companies. Target bonus potentials and percentages are consistent with the leverage typically found in bonus plans at such companies. Bonus payouts at our maximums are intended to fall within the third quartile (between the 50<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentile) of bonus payouts among these companies.

Because our 2011 overall performance was between target and maximum, our actual payments fell within the third quartile the external market data.

#### What were the annual bonus performance goals for the named executive officers?

In 2011, Messrs. Knight, Niggli and Smith participated in the SDG&E annual incentive plan. The performance measures for this plan were SDG&E financial results, nonfinancial operational measures and Sempra Energy earnings. The relative weights of these measures as a percentage of the overall target were 40 percent, 40 percent, and 20 percent respectively.

Messrs. Schlax and Schavrien participated in the SDG&E and SoCalGas Shared Services annual incentive plan because they provide services to both utilities. The performance measures for the Shared Services plan were based 50 percent on the SDG&E performance measures described above and 50 percent on SoCalGas performance measures.

Table 2 shows the financial criteria for 2011 bonuses:

2011 Financial Goals for			
Bonus Purposes			
(dollars in millions)	Threshold	Target	Maximum
San Diego Gas & Electric EBIT	\$ 688	\$ 713	\$ 738
Southern California Gas Company EBIT*	\$ 474	\$ 494	\$ 513
Sempra Energy Earnings	\$ 900	\$1,000	\$ 1,100

Table 2.

\*Southern California Gas Company EBIT is a performance measure in the Shared Services plan, which applies only to Messrs.Schlax and Schavrien.

#### How were the financial goals determined?

The SDG&E EBIT target of \$713 million was based on SDG&E's financial plan. Targets for the nonfinancial operational measures were based on safety, customer satisfaction and supplier diversity goals, as well as milestones related to key projects.

SDG&E EBIT and Sempra Energy earnings for incentive plan purposes may be higher or lower than earnings reported in the companies' financial statements due to certain pre-established adjustments.

Consistent with the approach taken in prior years, at the beginning of the year, it was determined that the calculation of SDG&E EBIT and Sempra Energy earnings for bonus purposes would be adjusted as follows:

- Exclude positive or negative impact of major changes in accounting rules that were unknown or unanticipated at the beginning of the plan year.
- Include up to 10 percent of the impact of wildfire litigation.
- Include 10 percent of any gains or losses for the sale of assets or write-down of assets in connection with a sale. This is because the Board of
  Directors believes that the impact of asset sales should be measured primarily through stock price. Most of the impact would, then, be
  reflected in the long-term incentive plan.
- Sempra Energy earnings also exclude earnings from the RBS Sempra Commodities joint venture.

#### 2011 Performance-Based Annual Bonus Payments

SDG&E EBIT for 2011 bonus purposes was \$731 million, which falls between the \$713 million target and the \$738 million maximum performance goal. Performance for most nonfinancial operational goals and the Sempra Energy earnings goal was above target.

The overall annual bonus plan performance result was 168 percent of target for the SDG&E annual incentive plan and 150 percent of target for the Shared Services plan. Based on this performance and its consideration of the contributions of each named executive officer, the SDG&E Board of Directors approved the payment of the annual bonuses shown in Table 3:

Base Salary at Year-End 2011	×	Bonus Percentage*	=	Bonus*
\$481,800		101%		\$487,100
\$274,200		68%		\$186,400
\$466,400		101%		\$471,600
\$331,300		75%		\$248,700
\$319,700		76%		\$242,400
	Salary at Year-End 2011 \$481,800 \$274,200 \$466,400 \$331,300	Salary at Year-End         ×           \$481,800         \$274,200           \$466,400         \$331,300	Salary at Year-End 2011         Bonus Percentage*           \$481,800         101%           \$274,200         68%           \$466,400         101%           \$331,300         75%	Salary at Year-End 2011         Bonus Percentage*         =           \$481,800         101%            \$274,200         68%            \$466,400         101%            \$331,300         75%

Table 3.

\*For display purposes, the bonus percentage is rounded to the nearest whole percentage. Bonus amounts are rounded up to the nearest \$100.

#### 3. Long-Term Equity-Based Incentives

Long-term equity-based incentives are a large component of each named executive officer's compensation package. (See Figure 2 for these percentages.) Long-term equity-based incentives are granted to our executives by the Compensation Committee of the Sempra Energy Board of Directors based on the recommendations of our Board of Directors regarding such awards.

Performance for purposes of these awards is measured over a four-year performance period. Competitive benchmarking suggests that a three-year performance period is the most common measurement period in the external market. However, we believe at this time that using a four-year performance period for our equity-based incentives promotes a long-term strategic focus.

#### What type of equity is granted?

In accordance with our pay for performance philosophy, the entire 2011 long-term incentive plan award was in the form of performance-based restricted stock units.



#### Why is this type of equity used?

This equity award structure was approved after considering many variables. These included alignment with shareholder interests, plan expense, share usage and market trends.

#### What are general practices with respect to equity grants?

The following equity award practices have been in place for many years:

- Awards are granted under a Sempra Energy shareholder-approved plan.
- We do not backdate grants of awards.
- We do not coordinate the grant of awards with the release of material information to result in favorable pricing.
- Grants are not repriced.
- Annual grants of equity-based incentive awards are authorized on the first trading day of each new year.

In making the annual grants:

- A dollar value is specified based on a percentage of base salary.
- The number of shares underlying the awards granted each year is based on a dollar value, as opposed to a fixed number of shares. This approach allows maintenance of the pay mix described previously.

On the annual January grant date:

- We calculate the precise number of shares to be granted to each executive officer for each type of award.
- We apply Monte Carlo valuation models previously authorized by the Compensation Committee of the Sempra Energy Board of Directors and using the closing price for shares of Sempra Energy common stock on that date to make such calculations.

Equity awards also may be granted upon the hiring or promotion of executive officers or to award extraordinary performance with the approval of our Board of Directors and the Compensation Committee of the Sempra Energy Board of Directors.

#### What is the value of the equity grants?

The estimated grant date fair values of the annual awards have generally been between the median and the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of market data. However, the actual amounts realized by equity award recipients will depend on future Sempra Energy stock price performance. These amounts will not necessarily track with the grant date value targets.

Table 4 illustrates the estimated grant date fair value of 2011 annual awards as a percentage of base salary.

Performance- Based RSUs
180%
90%
180%
120%
100%

Table 4.

Why does the company grant performance-based restricted stock units?

We seek a direct link to performance in comparison to indices and peers. To achieve this result, we use performance-based restricted stock units as the award vehicle for equity grants. Performance-based restricted stock units can also deliver the same economic value with significantly fewer shares than stock options, and so result in lower dilution.

#### What are the performance goals for restricted stock units?

Each performance-based restricted stock unit represents the right to receive between zero and 1.5 shares of Sempra Energy common stock based on Sempra Energy's four-year cumulative total shareholder return compared to the S&P 500 Index and the S&P 500 Utilities Index as shown in Table 5.

If Sempra Energy's performance ranks at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile or higher compared to the S&P 500 Index, participants will receive a minimum of 1.0 shares for each restricted stock unit. If Sempra's performance exceeds the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile compared to the S&P 500 Utilities Index, participants have the opportunity to earn up to 1.5 shares for each restricted stock unit.

The plan also pays out performance-based dividend equivalents at the end of the performance period based on the number of shares earned.

Four-Year Cumulative	Number of Shares of Sempra Energy Common Stock Received For Each Restricted Stock Unit					
Total Shareholder Return Percentile Ranking	Performance vs. S&P 500 Index	Performance vs. S&P 500 Utilities Index				
75th Percentile or Above	Not used for upside potential	1.5				
50th Percentile	1.0	1.0				
35th Percentile or Below	Not used for downside potential	0.0				
Table 5.						

This award structure was adopted beginning with the 2008-2011 award cycle and continues through the 2012-2015 award cycle.

#### What were the results for the 2008 award which vested on January 3, 2012?

Sempra Energy's relative total shareholder return from 2008 to 2011 met the 52<sup>nd</sup> percentile of the S&P 500 Index. Based on Sempra Energy's performance ranking against the S&P 500 Index over the four-year performance period, the performance-based restricted stock units for the 2008-2011 Long-Term Incentive Plan cycle vested at target (1.0 shares of common stock for each restricted stock unit) after the Compensation Committee of the Sempra Energy Board of Directors certified performance results.

Sempra Energy's performance was at the 41st percentile compared to the S&P 500 Utilities Index. Thus, we did not receive any "upside" potential upon vesting of the award.

#### **Benefit Plans**

Our executive officers also participate in other benefit programs including: (1) health, life insurance, and disability plans; (2) retirement plans; (3) 401(k) savings and deferred compensation plans; and (4) other benefit programs.

#### 1. Health, Life Insurance, and Disability Plans

Our executive officers participate in life, disability, medical and dental insurance group plans that are available to virtually all employees. These are common benefits essential to attracting a high-quality workforce.

Do executives receive any benefits in addition to the basic group plans?

In addition to the basic group plans, some of our executive officers participate in the following:

- A medical insurance plan that provides up to \$20,000 (the annual aggregate maximum) in additional coverage for medically necessary care for the officer or covered dependents.
- A life insurance plan providing additional life insurance death benefits (two times base salary and bonus for active employees and one times base salary and bonus for retired employees).
- A long-term disability plan providing additional protection upon disability (60 percent of base salary and average bonus) and restoring benefits otherwise capped under the company's basic long-term disability plan.

#### 2. Retirement Plans

Our executive officers participate in the Sempra Energy Cash Balance Plan and some also participate in a Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan.



#### What is the Cash Balance Plan?

The Cash Balance Plan is a tax-qualified pension plan available to most employees of Sempra Energy and its subsidiaries.

#### Why does the company offer a supplemental retirement plan?

Our Board of Directors and the Compensation Committee of the Sempra Energy Board of Directors believe that retirement, savings and deferred compensation plans, in general, and the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan in particular, are important elements of an overall compensation package. This package is designed to recruit and retain executive talent, especially mid-career executives, and to retain longer-term executive participants.

#### How are benefits calculated?

The Sempra Energy Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, or SERP, provides executive officers with retirement benefits based on the executive's:

- final average pay<sup>1</sup>
- actual years of service
- age at retirement

SERP benefits are reduced by benefits payable under the broad-based Cash Balance Plan.

Both the Cash Balance Plan and the SERP use only base salary and annual incentive bonuses in calculating benefits. The value of long-term incentive awards is not included.

Benefits under both plans use the same interest rates for calculating lump sum distributions.

#### 3. 401(k) Savings and Deferred Compensation Plans

Our executive officers, together with most other company employees, participate in a broad-based, tax-qualified 401(k) Savings Plan. Officers may also participate in a deferred compensation plan.

#### What is the 401(k) Savings Plan?

Employees may contribute a portion of their pay to a tax-qualified 401(k) savings plan. Contributions to the plan are invested on a tax-deferred basis.

The company matches one-half of the first 6 percent of the employee's contributions. We also make an additional company contribution of up to 1 percent of base pay if we meet or exceed annual earnings targets. The Internal Revenue Code limits the amount of compensation eligible for deferral under tax-qualified plans.

#### What is the deferred compensation plan?

Our executive officers and other key management employees also may defer up to 85 percent of their base salary and bonus under a nonqualified deferred compensation plan, the Employee and Director Savings Plan. Participants can direct these deferrals into:

- Funds that mirror the investments available under the 401(k) savings plan, including a Sempra Energy phantom stock account, and
- A fund providing interest at the greater of 110 percent of the Moody's Corporate Bond Yield or Moody's plus 1 percent.

The Internal Revenue Code places annual limits on the amounts that employees and employers can defer into a 401(k) plan. Because of these limits, the company makes matching contributions for deferred compensation plan participants through the deferred compensation plan. These contributions are identical to the matching contributions made for other employees under the 401(k) savings plan.

Final average pay is the average of the two highest years of base salary plus the average of the three highest annual bonuses prior to retirement.

All employee contributions, matching company contributions, and investment earnings in both the 401(k) savings plan and deferred compensation plan vest immediately.

### 4. Other Benefit Programs

We provide certain other typical benefits to our executive officers. We review the level and types of these benefits each year. We believe that these benefits are reasonable and important in attracting and retaining executive talent.

These benefits include financial planning services and excess personal liability insurance.

# SEVERANCE AND CHANGE IN CONTROL ARRANGEMENTS

Our executive officers have severance pay agreements that include change in control features. None of our officers has an employment agreement.

Why does the company provide severance agreements?

We believe that severance agreements, which are a prevalent market practice, are effective in:

- attracting executives who are leaving an existing employer;
- mitigating legal issues upon a separation of employment; and
- retaining talent during uncertain times.

By mitigating the adverse effects of potential job loss, severance agreements reinforce management continuity, objectivity and focus on shareholder value. This is particularly critical in actual or potential change in control situations.

What benefits do severance agreements provide?

The severance agreements provide for cash payments and the continuation of certain other benefits for a limited period when:

- the company terminates an executive's employment for reasons other than cause, or
- when the executive resigns for "good reason."

What does resignation for "Good Reason" mean?

A resignation for "good reason" may occur if there is an adverse change in scope of duties or in compensation and benefit opportunities or, following a change in control, changes in employment location.

These provisions provide safeguards against arbitrary actions that effectively force an executive to resign. In order to receive some of the benefits in the agreement, the executive must comply with contractual confidentiality, non-solicitation and non-disparagement obligations.

Do the agreements for the named executive officers provide for a tax gross-up to offset any taxes incurred by the executive as a result of the severance payment?

In 2011, Mr. Knight voluntarily entered into a new severance pay agreement that does not contain an excise tax gross-up provision.

To the extent that our other named executive officers would incur excise taxes in connection with severance payments, their severance agreements provide that they will be made whole for these taxes. These are taxes above and beyond regular income taxes.

Do agreements for new officers provide for a tax gross-up to offset any taxes incurred by the executive as a result of the severance payment?

Under a policy adopted in 2009 by the Sempra Energy Board of Directors, severance agreements for new officers do not provide for excise tax gross-ups.

What happens to outstanding equity awards upon a change in control?

Under the Sempra Energy shareholder-approved long-term incentive plan, upon a change in control of the company all previously granted stock options vest and become immediately exercisable. All performance and time restrictions lift for outstanding restricted stock and restricted stock unit grants.

For performance-based restricted stock unit awards granted in 2009 through 2012, the number of shares earned is determined based on performance through the date of the change in control (or based on target performance if the change in control occurs less than two years after the grant date).

Acceleration of equity awards upon a change in control is the predominant industry practice for existing equity plans. This approach creates a clean slate for the emerging organization and allows for alignment with metrics that are forward looking and appropriate to a newly-created company and management team.

#### SHARE OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Share ownership requirements for officers further strengthen the link between company executive and shareholder interests.

The requirements set minimum levels of Sempra Energy share ownership that our officers are required to achieve and maintain. For officers, the requirements are:

Executive Level	Share Ownership Requirement
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer	3x base salary
President and Chief Operating Officer	2x base salary
Senior Vice Presidents and Vice Presidents	1x base salary

Table 6

For purposes of the requirements, we include shares owned directly or through benefit plans. We also count deferred compensation that executives invest in phantom shares of Sempra Energy's common stock and the vested portion of certain in-the-money stock options.

We expect officers to meet these requirements within five years of hire or any officer level promotion. All officers are in compliance with the requirements.

The company also prohibits employees from trading in puts, calls, options or other future rights to purchase or sell shares of Sempra Energy.

# IMPACT OF REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

Many Internal Revenue Code provisions, Securities and Exchange Commission regulations and accounting rules affect the delivery of executive pay. They are taken into consideration to create and maintain plans that are effective and in full compliance with these requirements.

# CONCLUSION

We have structured our executive compensation programs to provide competitive pay opportunities (levels found in the marketplace), and to reward outstanding individual and company performance.

For 2011, our executive officers' total direct compensation (base salaries, bonuses paid and the grant-date value of long-term incentives) generally fell within the third quartile (between the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile and the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile) of the non-financial Fortune 500 market data. Our salaries are competitive and our performance-based compensation is strongly aligned with the interests of our shareholders.

We will continue to monitor our pay programs for alignment with performance, shareholder interests and competitive labor markets. We will continue to offer the programs necessary to attract, retain, and motivate top executive talent.

# **COMPENSATION REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of SDG&E has reviewed and discussed with management of the company the Compensation Discussion and Analysis included in this Information Statement and, based upon that review and discussion, authorized that it be so included.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Jessie J. Knight, Jr., *Chair* Javade Chaudhri Steven D. Davis Joseph A. Householder

# **COMPENSATION TABLES**

# **Summary Compensation Table**

In the table below, we summarize our named executive officers' compensation for the last three years.

Summary Compensation Table	Year	Salary	Stock Awards (A) Restricted stock and restricted stock units	Option Awards (A) Service- based stock options	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation Performance- based annual cash bonus	Change in Pension Value and Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Earnings (B) Pension accruals and above-market interest on non-qualified deferred compensation	All Other Compen- sation (C)	Total
Jessie J. Knight Jr. Chair of the Board and Chief Executive Officer	2011 2010	\$481,800 \$450,928	\$ 868,094 \$ 641,231	\$ — \$ 102,310	\$ 487,100 \$ 503,500	\$ 1,007,911 \$ 823,878	\$ 75,752 \$ 68,415	\$2,920,657 \$2,590,262
Robert M. Schlax Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Controller	2011 2010 2009	\$274,200 \$266,700 \$266,700	\$ 248,629 \$ 195,932 \$ 194,178	\$ — \$ 30,693 \$ 26,780	\$ 186,400 \$ 214,900 \$ 190,300	\$ 39,711 \$ 38,953 \$ 43,244	\$ 25,607 \$ 24,503 \$ 25,996	\$ 774,547 \$ 771,681 \$ 747,198
Michael R. Niggli President and Chief Operating Officer	2011 2010 2009	\$466,400 \$466,400 \$466,400	\$ 842,810 \$ 672,402 \$ 672,433	\$ — \$ 107,819 \$ 92,700	\$ 471,600 \$ 501,100 \$ 443,800	\$ 826,207 \$ 1,215,493 \$ 990,712	\$ 73,821 \$ 64,863 \$ 60,863	\$2,680,838 \$3,028,077 \$2,726,908
Lee Schavrien Sr. Vice President – Finance, Regulatory and Legislative Affairs	2011 2010	\$331,300 \$331,300	\$ 600,349 \$ 320,615	\$ — \$ 51,155	\$ 248,700 \$ 296,600	\$ 856,474 \$ 714,948	\$ 36,465 \$ 35,195	\$2,073,288 \$1,749,813
W. Davis Smith Vice President and General Counsel	2011	\$319,700	\$ 465,300	\$ —	\$ 242,400	\$ 225,491	\$ 29,448	\$1,282,339

(A) Grant date fair value of stock and option awards granted during the year. No stock options were granted in 2011. These amounts reflect our grant date estimate of the aggregate compensation expense that we will recognize over the service period of the award. They are calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for financial reporting purposes based on the assumptions described in Note 9 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report to Shareholders but disregarding estimates of forfeitures related to service-based vesting conditions.

Option awards consist solely of service-based stock options. A modified Black-Scholes valuation model is used to calculate their grant date fair value.

Stock awards consist solely of performance-based restricted stock and restricted stock units. A Monte Carlo valuation model is used to reflect the probable outcome of performance conditions and calculate grant date fair value.

The value actually realized by executives from stock and option awards will depend upon the extent to which performance and service-based vesting conditions are satisfied and the market value of the shares subject to the award.

For additional information regarding stock and option awards, please see the discussions under "Grants of Plan-Based Awards" and "Outstanding Equity Awards at Year-End."

(B) Represents (i) the aggregate change in the actuarial present value of accumulated benefits under pension plans at year-end over the prior year-end and (ii) above-market interest (interest in excess of 120% of the federal long-term rate) on compensation deferred on a basis that is not tax-qualified. The 2011 amounts are:

2011 Change in Pension Value and Above-Market Interest	Change in Accumulated Benefits	Above- Market Interest	Total
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	\$ 999,333	\$ 8,578	\$1,007,911
Robert M. Schlax	\$ 39,711	\$ —	\$ 39,711
Michael R. Niggli	\$ 769,063	\$57,144	\$ 826,207
Lee Schavrien	\$ 856,066	\$ 408	\$ 856,474
W. Davis Smith	\$ 202,946	\$22,545	\$ 225,491

For additional information regarding pension benefits and deferred compensation, please see the discussions under "Pension Benefits" and "Nonqualified Deferred Compensation."

#### (C) All Other Compensation amounts for 2011 are:

2011 All Other Compensation	Company 401(k) and Related Plan Contributions	Insurance Premiums	Other	Total
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	\$ 33,284	\$24,578	\$17,890	\$75,752
Robert M. Schlax	\$ 16,882	\$ 1,475	\$ 7,250	\$25,607
Michael R. Niggli	\$ 32,896	\$24,776	\$16,149	\$73,821
Lee Schavrien	\$ 21,586	\$ 7,879	\$ 7,000	\$36,465
W. Davis Smith	\$ 19,973	\$ 1,475	\$ 8,000	\$29,448

Amounts shown in the "Other" column consist of our contributions to charitable, educational and other non-profit organizations to match the personal contributions of executive officers on a dollar-for-dollar basis; and financial and estate planning services. They do not include parking at company offices and the occasional personal use by executive officers of company property and services (including club memberships and entertainment events which would not otherwise be used for the business purposes for which they were obtained) for which we incur no more than nominal incremental cost or for which we are reimbursed by the executive for the incremental cost of personal use.

# **Grants of Plan-Based Awards**

Executive officers participate in incentive compensation plans that are designed to encourage high levels of performance on both a short-term and longterm basis. Shorter-term incentives, typically annual performance-based cash bonuses, are provided under the executive incentive plan. Longer-term incentives, typically Sempra Energy performance-based restricted stock and restricted stock unit awards and service-based stock options, are provided under Sempra Energy's Long Term Incentive Plan.

In the table below, we summarize 2011 grants of plan-based awards to each of the named executive officers.

2011 Grants of Plan-Based Awards	Grant Date (A)	Authorization Date (A)	,,,,		Payouts Under         Estimated Future Payouts           Non-Equity Incentive Plan         Under Equity Incentive Plan           Awards (Performance-Based         Awards (Number of           rization         Annual Bonus) (B)         Shares) (C)		tive Plan er of	an Grai Faii of			
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.											
Restricted Stock Units Annual Bonus	1/03/11	12/06/10	\$	_	\$289,100	\$ 578,200	-	20,600	30,900	\$	868,094
Robert M. Schlax											
Restricted Stock Units Annual Bonus	1/03/11	12/06/10	\$	_	\$123.400	\$ 246,800		5,900	8,850	\$	248,629
Michael R. Niggli			-		¢0,						
Restricted Stock Units Annual Bonus	1/03/11	12/06/10	\$	_	\$279,900	\$ 559,700	-	20,000	30,000	\$	842,810
Lee Schavrien											
Restricted Stock Units	1/03/11	12/06/10					-	9,500	14,250	\$	400,335
Restricted Stock	2/17/11	2/17/11					-	3,776	3,776	\$	200,015
Annual Bonus			\$	-	\$165,700	\$ 331,300					
W. Davis Smith											
Restricted Stock Units	1/03/11	12/06/10					-	7,600	11,400	\$	320,268
Restricted Stock	2/17/11	2/17/11						2,738	2,738	\$	145,032
Annual Bonus			\$	_	\$143,900	\$ 287,800					

- (A) Grant and authorization dates applicable to equity incentive awards, which consist of performance-based restricted stock units and service-based restricted stock. Awards are authorized as part of annual compensation planning that is typically completed in December with salary adjustments becoming effective on January 1 and awards granted on the first trading day of January. The Compensation Committee of the Sempra Energy Board of Directors specifies a dollar value and other terms for the awards to be granted to each executive officer. On the January grant date, the precise number of shares to be granted to each executive officer is calculated by applying valuation models previously authorized by the committee and the closing price for shares of Sempra Energy common stock on that date. Awards also may be granted at other times upon the hiring or promotion of executive officers or for extraordinary performance. The February 17, 2011 restricted stock awards to Messrs. Schavrien and Smith were given in recognition of exemplary performance.
- (B) Non-equity incentive plan awards consist of annual performance-based bonuses payable under our executive incentive plan. Amounts reported in the table represent target and maximum bonuses for 2011 to be paid under performance guidelines established at the beginning of the year by our Board of Directors. The performance guidelines were satisfied at levels resulting in above-target bonus payouts. These amounts are reported in the Summary Compensation Table as non-equity incentive plan compensation.
- (C) Equity incentive plan awards consist of Sempra Energy performance-based restricted stock units and time-based restricted stock granted under Sempra Energy's Long Term Incentive Plan. During the performance period for the performance-based restricted stock units, dividends paid or that would have been paid on the shares subject to the award are reinvested or deemed reinvested to purchase additional shares, at then fair market value, which become subject to the same forfeiture and performance vesting conditions as the shares to which the dividends relate. If the performance criteria are not satisfied or the executive's employment is terminated during the performance period other than by death or certain other events that may be specified in the award agreement or the executive's severance pay agreement, the award is

forfeited subject to earlier vesting upon a change in control of the company or various events specified in the executive's severance pay agreement. The special recognition grants of time-based restricted stock to Messrs. Schavrien and Smith vest in installments over two years, subject to continued employment.

Shares subject to the performance-based restricted stock units granted in 2011 will vest or be forfeited at the beginning of 2015 based upon Sempra Energy's total return to shareholders. The target number of shares will vest if Sempra Energy has achieved a cumulative total return to shareholders for a four-year performance period among the top 50% of the companies in the S&P 500 Utilities Index or the S&P 500 Index with additional shares vesting ratably for performance above the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of the S&P 500 Utilities Index to the maximum number (150% of the companies in the S&P 500 Utilities Index or the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of that index. If Sempra Energy's performance does not place Sempra Energy among the top 50% of the companies in the S&P 500 Utilities Index or the S&P 500 Utilities Index or the S&P 500 Index, shares will vest for performance above the 35<sup>th</sup> percentile of the S&P 500 Utilities Index at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile to zero at the 35<sup>th</sup> percentile.

Sempra Energy permits each holder of restricted stock and restricted stock units to sell to the company (at the market price of its shares at the end of the performance period) a sufficient number of vesting shares to pay the minimum amount of withholding taxes that becomes payable upon satisfaction of the performance conditions.

(D) Grant date fair values are calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for financial reporting purposes as described in Note 9 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report to Shareholders but disregarding estimates of forfeitures related to servicebased vesting conditions. With respect to the performance-based restricted stock unit awards, a Monte Carlo valuation model is used to reflect the probable outcome of performance conditions and calculate the grant date fair value. The value actually realized by executives from stock awards will depend upon the extent to which performance and service-based vesting conditions are satisfied and the market value of the shares subject to the award.

# **Outstanding Equity Awards at Year-End**

In the table below, we summarize our grants of equity awards that were outstanding at December 31, 2011 for our named executive officers. The grants consist solely of stock options, restricted stock and restricted stock units.

Outstanding Equity Awards at Year-End		Option Awards (Service-Based Stock Options) (A)				Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units and Service-Based Restricted Stock (B)		
	Grant Date	Number of Underl Unexercised Exercisable	ying	1	Exercise Price	Expiration Date	Number of Unearned/ Unvested Shares (C)	Market Value of Unearned/ Unvested Shares
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	01/03/11 01/04/10 01/02/09 01/02/08 01/03/07	3,250 8,550 10,125 10,500 32,425	9,750 8,550 3,375 — 21,675	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	55.90 43.75 61.41 56.77 53.60(D)	01/03/20 01/01/19 01/01/18 01/02/17	21,348 	\$ 1,174,126 
Robert M. Schlax	01/03/11 01/04/10 01/02/09 01/02/08 01/03/07 01/03/06	975 2,600 2,925 3,600 <u>3,900</u> 14,000	2,925 2,600 975 — 	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	55.90 43.75 61.41 56.77 46.14 52.16(D)	01/03/20 01/01/19 01/01/18 01/02/17 01/02/16	6,114 	\$ 336,279  210,441  <u>\$ 546,720</u>
Michael R. Niggli	01/03/11 01/04/10 01/02/09 01/02/08 01/03/07 01/03/06 01/03/05 01/02/04 01/02/04	3,425 9,000 10,650 14,400 16,100 15,800 25,400 32,600 127,375	10,275 9,000 3,550       22,825	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	55.90 43.75 61.41 56.77 46.14 36.30 30.20 24.37 40.75(D)	01/03/20 01/01/19 01/01/18 01/02/17 01/02/16 01/02/15 01/01/14 01/01/13	20,726 	\$ 1,139,928  767,490    <u>\$ 1,907,418</u>
Lee Schavrien	02/17/11 01/03/11 01/04/10 01/02/09 01/02/08 01/03/07	1,625 5,250 7,000 13,875	4,875 4,150 1,750 — 10,775	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	55.90 43.75 61.41 56.77 55.67(D)	01/03/20 01/01/19 01/01/18 01/02/17	3,913(F) 9,845 	\$ 215,218 541,466 — 383,745 <u>\$ 1,140,429</u>
W. Davis Smith	02/17/11 01/03/11 01/04/10 01/02/09 01/02/08 01/03/07 01/03/06	1,1753,4504,8756,600-7,300-23,400	3,525 3,450 1,625 — — <u>8,600</u>	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	55.90 43.75 61.41 56.77 46.14 52.35(D)	01/03/20 01/01/19 01/01/18 01/02/17 01/02/16	2,837(F) 7,876 	\$ 156,056 433,173  352,798  \$ 942,027

(A) Stock options to purchase shares of Sempra Energy common stock. They become exercisable as to one-quarter of the shares originally subject to the option grant on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date, with immediate exercisability upon a change in control of the company or various events specified in the executive's severance pay agreement. They remain exercisable until they expire ten years from the date of grant subject to earlier expiration following termination of employment. If an executive's employment is terminated after the executive has attained age 55 and completed five years of continuous service, the executive's stock options expire three years (five years if the executive has attained age 62) after the termination of employment. If an executive's employment or dataining age 55, the executive's stock options expire twelve months after the termination of employment and are exercisable only as to the number of shares for which they were exercisable at the date of employment and are exercisable only as to the number of shares for which they month after the termination of employment is otherwise terminated, the executive's stock options expire 90 days after the termination of employment and are exercisable only as to the number of shares for which they were exercisable only as to the number of shares for employment termination.

(B) Except for the restricted stock awards granted on February 17, 2011 to Messrs. Schavrien and Smith, all awards are performance-based restricted stock units (rights to receive shares of Sempra Energy common stock). The awards will vest or will be forfeited in whole or in part at the end of a four-year performance period, based upon Sempra Energy's total return to shareholders compared to market and peer group indexes and subject to earlier vesting upon a change in control of the company or various events specified in the executive's severance pay agreement. If an executive's employment is terminated after the executive has attained age 55 and completed five years of service and the termination occurs after one year of the applicable performance period has been completed, the executive's award is not forfeited as a result of the termination of employment but continues to be subject to forfeiture based upon the extent to which the related performance goals have been satisfied at the end of the applicable four-year performance period. If an executive's employment is otherwise terminated before the end of the applicable performance period, the executive's award is forfeited.

We have reported the number and market value of shares subject to the awards (together with reinvested dividends and dividend equivalents) that would have vested at December 31, 2011 had the applicable performance period ended at that date. The number of shares that ultimately vest will depend upon the extent to which the performance measures have been satisfied at the actual end of the applicable performance period, and may be fewer or greater than the number reported in the table. As of December 31, 2011, the performance-based restricted stock units granted on January 2, 2009 and January 4, 2010 were below the minimum performance level required for vesting. If performance as of December 31, 2011 had reached the level required for target (i.e., 100%) vesting of these performance-based restricted stock units (together with reinvested dividend equivalents), the number of shares reported for each officer would have been:

County Dalas - Though ald	January 2	2, 2009 Award	January 4, 2010 Award		
Grants Below Threshold Performance as of December 31, 2011	Number of Shares at 100% of Target	Market Value at 12/31/2011	Number of Shares at 100% of Target	Market Value at 12/31/2011	
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	19,621	\$1,079,146	15,383	\$846,084	
Robert M. Schlax	5,952	\$ 327,381	4,700	\$258,526	
Michael R. Niggli	20,613	\$1,133,710	16,131	\$887,213	
Lee Schavrien	9,480	\$ 521,385	7,692	\$423,042	
W. Davis Smith	7,937	\$ 436,509	5,555	\$305,530	

- (C) Includes shares purchased and deemed purchased with reinvested dividends and dividend equivalents that become subject to the same forfeiture conditions as the shares to which the dividends relate.
- (D) Weighted average exercise price of all exercisable and unexercisable option shares. The weighted average exercise prices of exercisable option shares and unexercisable option shares are, respectively: \$54.70 and \$51.97 for Mr. Knight; \$52.30 and \$51.87 for Mr. Schlax; \$38.74 and \$51.97 for Mr. Niggli; \$58.42 and \$52.12 for Mr. Schavrien; and \$52.46 and \$52.07 for Mr. Smith.
- (E) These shares vested on January 3, 2012. The value realized upon the January 3, 2011 vesting of these shares, which is calculated using the closing price of Sempra Energy common stock on the vesting date, is set forth in Note C to "Option Exercises and Stock Vested."
- (F) Shares of restricted stock granted to Messrs. Schavrien and Smith. Awards vest in installments of one-half annually over the two-year service period, subject to continued employment. If an executive's employment is terminated for any reason other than death prior to vesting, the executive's award is forfeited.

# **Option Exercises and Stock Vested**

In the table below, we summarize the stock options that were exercised and restricted stock that vested during 2011 for each of our named executive officers.

2011 Options	Option Awards			Stock Awards	
Exercised and Stock Vested	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise	Value Realized on Exercise (A)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting	Value Realized on Vesting (B) (C)	
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	—	\$ —	13,535	\$710,362	
Robert M. Schlax	—	\$ —	4,549	\$238,728	
Michael R. Niggli	_	\$ —	18,527	\$972,380	
Lee Schavrien	16,775	\$ 202,524	8,986	\$471,633	
W. Davis Smith	—	\$ —	8,431	\$442,520	

(A) Difference between the market value of the Sempra Energy option shares on the exercise date and the option exercise price.

- (B) Market value of vesting Sempra Energy stock (including reinvested dividends) at the vesting date.
- (C) The amounts shown above relate to the 2007 restricted stock award, which vested on January 3, 2011. The 2008 restricted stock unit award vested on January 3, 2012 and is not reflected in the table above. The number of units vested and their market value at the vesting date respectively were: 13,279 shares and \$728,096 for Mr. Knight; 3,826 shares and \$209,790 for Mr. Schlax; 13,954 shares and \$765,118 for Mr. Niggli; 6,977 shares and \$382,559 for Mr. Schavrien; and 6,415 shares and \$351,707 for Mr. Smith.

#### **Pension Benefits**

Executive officers participate, along with most other employees, in the Sempra Energy Cash Balance Plan, a broad-based tax-qualified retirement plan. Under the plan, a notional account is credited annually for each participant in an amount equal to 7.5% of the participant's salary and bonus. Account balances earn interest and are fully vested after three years of service.

In addition to the Cash Balance Plan, most executive officers participate in a Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan. Under the plan, benefits are calculated using a defined benefit formula based on final average earnings (average base salary for the 24 consecutive months of highest base salary prior to retirement plus the average of the three highest annual bonuses during the ten years prior to retirement), years of service and age at retirement of the executive officer and the officer's spouse.

Benefits under the defined benefit formula begin to vest after five years of service and attainment of age 55, with full vesting when age plus years of service total 70 or the executive attains age 60. Upon normal retirement at age 62, the annual benefit (as a percentage of final average earnings) in the form of a 50% joint and survivor annuity is 20% after five years of service, 40% after ten years of service, 50% after 15 years of service, 60% after 20 years of service, 62.5% after 30 years of service, and 65% after 40 years of service. Reduced benefits based on age and years of service are provided for retirement as early as age 55 and the completion of five years of service.

Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan participants with at least three years of service who do not meet the minimum vesting criteria under the defined benefit formula (five years of service and attainment of age 55) are entitled to a benefit equal to the benefit that would have been received under the tax-qualified Cash Balance Plan but for Internal Revenue Code limitations on pay and benefits under tax-qualified plans.

Benefits payable under the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan are reduced by benefits payable under the Cash Balance Plan.

Retiring employees may elect to receive the retirement date present value of their vested accumulated retirement benefits in a single lump sum payment. Alternatively, they may elect an annuity that provides the actuarial equivalent of the lump sum benefit.

In the table below, we summarize the present value of accumulated benefits under the various retirement plans at December 31, 2011 for our named executive officers. None of our named executive officers received any payments of pension benefits during the year ended December 31, 2011.

Pension Benefits at Year-End	Plan	Years of Credited Service	Present Value of Accumulated Benefit (A)
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	Cash Balance Plan	5	\$ 112,034
	Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan	5	2,809,037
	Total		\$2,921,071 (B)
Robert M. Schlax	Cash Balance Plan	6	<u>\$ 201,111</u> (C)
Michael R. Niggli	Cash Balance Plan	11	\$ 381,200
	Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan	11	5,737,694
	Total		\$6,118,894 (B)
Lee Schavrien	Cash Balance Plan	34	\$ 988,277
	Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan	34	3,904,438
	Total		\$4,892,715 (B)
W. Davis Smith	Cash Balance Plan	28	\$2,399,186 (C)

(A) Based upon the assumptions used for financial reporting purposes set forth in Note 8 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements contained in our Annual Report to Shareholders, except retirement age has been assumed to be the earliest time at which the executive could retire under each of the plans without any benefit reduction due to age.

Amounts shown for the Cash Balance Plan are based on the greater of the amounts payable under those plans or the sum of the present value of the accumulated benefit payable under a frozen predecessor plan plus future cash balance accruals. The amount shown for the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan is the present value of the incremental benefit over that provided by the Cash Balance Plan.

- (B) Messrs. Knight, Niggli and Schavrien, who at December 31, 2011 were ages 61, 62 and 57, respectively, are eligible for early retirement benefits. Had they retired at December 31, 2011 and received their benefits under the plans as a lump sum, their early retirement benefits would have been \$3,008,843 for Mr. Knight, \$6,159,131 for Mr. Niggli and \$5,821,642 for Mr. Schavrien.
- (C) Mr. Schlax and Mr. Smith, who are not participants in the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, are vested in benefits under the Cash Balance Plan, which include qualified Cash Balance Plan benefits and nonqualified Cash Balance Restoration Plan benefits which restore amounts that would have been payable under the Cash Balance Plan but for IRS limits on tax-qualified plans. Had their employment terminated on December 31, 2011, the benefit would have been \$229,532 for Mr. Schlax and \$2,438,461 for Mr. Smith.

# **Nonqualified Deferred Compensation**

Sempra Energy's nonqualified deferred compensation plans permit executives to elect on a year-by-year basis to defer the receipt of a portion of their annual salary and bonus for payment in installments or in a lump sum at a future date selected by the executive at the time of the deferral election. Deferred amounts are fully vested and earn interest at a rate reset annually to the higher of 110% of the Moody's Corporate Bond Yield Average Rate or the Moody's Rate plus 1% (6.43% for 2011) or, at the election of the executive, are deemed invested in investment accounts that mirror the investment accounts available under tax-qualified 401(k) savings plans in which all employees may elect to participate.

The table below summarizes information relating to the participation in Sempra Energy's nonqualified deferred compensation plans for each of the executive officers named in the Summary Compensation Table. None of our named executive officers received any payments of nonqualified deferred compensation during the year ended December 31, 2011.

2011 Nonqualified Deferred Compensation	Executive Contributions in 2011 (A)	Company Contributions in 2011 (B)	Aggregate Earnings in 2011 (C)	Aggregate Balance at 12/31/11 (D)
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	\$ 561,755	\$ 27,072	\$166,256	\$2,772,746
Robert M. Schlax	\$ 48,896	\$ 7,499	\$ 14,372	\$ 400,287
Michael R. Niggli	\$ 93,280	\$ 23,513	\$287,903	\$4,797,503
Lee Schavrien	\$ 19,878	\$ 12,202	\$ 9,187	\$ 363,431
W. Davis Smith	\$ 315,017	\$ 11,016	\$112,764	\$2,031,382

- (A) Executive contributions consist of deferrals of salary and bonus that are also reported as compensation in the Summary Compensation Table. However, timing differences between reporting bonus compensation in the Summary Compensation Table (which reports bonus amounts for the year in which they were earned) and related deferral dates (the date on which the bonuses otherwise would have been paid to the executive) may in any year result in lesser or greater amounts reported as executive contributions in the accompanying table than the amounts that have been included in compensation reported in the Summary Compensation Table. Executive contributions in 2011 that are also included as salary and bonus compensation reported in the Summary Compensation Table total \$72,232 for Mr. Knight, \$27,406 for Mr. Schlax, \$93,280 for Mr. Niggli, \$19,878 for Mr. Schavrien, and \$63,940 for Mr. Smith.
- (B) Company contributions are identical to the amounts that the executive would have received under tax-qualified 401(k) savings plans but for maximum dollar limitations on amounts that may be deferred under tax-qualified plans. These contributions are also reported as compensation in the Summary Compensation Table.
- (C) Earnings are measured as the difference in deferred account balances between the beginning and the end of the year minus executive and company contributions during the year. Earnings consisting of above-market interest are reported in the Summary Compensation Table. Excluding above-market interest, gains for 2011 were \$157,678 for Mr. Knight, \$14,372 for Mr. Schlax, \$230,759 for Mr. Niggli, \$8,779 for Mr. Schavrien, and \$90,218 for Mr. Smith.
- (D) Year-end balances consist of executive and company contributions and earnings on contributed amounts. All contributions and all earnings that consist of above-market interest have been included in the Summary Compensation Table for 2011 or prior years to the extent such reporting requirements were then applicable to the executive. Such aggregate amounts reported in the Summary Compensation Table for fiscal years 2009, 2010 and 2011 are \$1,118,080 for Mr. Knight, \$155,345 for Mr. Schlax, \$809,771 for Mr. Niggli, \$79,393 for Mr. Schavrien, and \$348,579 for Mr. Smith.

# Severance Pay and Change in Control Benefits

We have a severance pay agreement with each of our executive officers named in the Summary Compensation Table. Each agreement is for a term of two years and is automatically extended for an additional year upon each anniversary of the agreement unless we or the executive elect not to extend the term.

The severance pay agreements provide executives with severance benefits in the event that we were to terminate the executive's employment during the term of the agreement for reasons other than cause, death or disability, or in the event that the executive were to resign for "good reason" as defined in the agreement. The nature and amount of the severance

benefits vary somewhat with the executive's position, and increased benefits are provided if the executive enters into an agreement with the company to provide consulting services for two years and abide by certain covenants regarding non-solicitation of employees and information confidentiality. Additional benefits are also provided if the termination of employment or resignation were to occur within two years of a "change in control" of Sempra Energy.

The definitions of "cause" and "good reason" vary somewhat based on whether the termination of employment occurs before or after a change in control of Sempra Energy. However, cause is generally defined to include a willful and continued failure by the executive to perform his or her duties to the company, and good reason is generally defined to include adverse changes in the executive's responsibilities, compensation and benefit opportunities, and certain changes in employment location. A "change in control" is defined in the agreements to include events resulting in a change in the effective control of Sempra Energy or a change in the ownership of a substantial portion of Sempra Energy's assets.

Our stock option, restricted stock, and restricted stock unit agreements provide that all such awards would become immediately exercisable and all forfeiture and transfer conditions on restricted stock and restricted stock units would immediately terminate upon a change in control of Sempra Energy, whether or not accompanied or followed by a termination of the executive's employment.

Below we summarize the benefits each of our executive officers named in the Summary Compensation Table would have been entitled to receive had we terminated his or her employment (other than for cause, death or disability) at December 31, 2011 or had the executive resigned for good reason, and the benefits each executive would have been entitled to receive had such termination or resignation occurred within two years following a change in control of Sempra Energy. These amounts assume the executive had entered into a two-year consulting, non-solicitation and confidentiality agreement providing for enhanced severance benefits and the enhanced benefits would not be subject to excise taxes for which the executive would be entitled to reimbursement. We also show the benefits that each executive would have been entitled to receive (accelerated vesting and exercisability of stock options and vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units) had a change in control of Sempra Energy occurred on December 31, 2011, whether or not accompanied or followed by a termination of the executive's employment.

Severance and Change in Control Benefits	Termination of by the Compa Cause or by th Officer for G	Change in Control Only	
	Unrelated to a Change in Control	Change in Control	(Without Termination of Employment)
Jessie J. Knight, Jr. Lump Sum Cash Payment (A) Acceleration of Existing Equity Awards (B) Health & Welfare Benefits (C) Financial Planning (D) Outplacement Total	$\begin{array}{cccc} \$ & 1,870,467 \\ & 40,734 \\ & 50,000 \\ \hline & 50,000 \\ \$ & 2,011,201 \end{array}$	\$ 2,805,700 4,291,066 91,041 75,000 <u>50,000</u> \$ 7,312,807	\$ 4,291,066  <u>\$4,291,066</u>
Robert M. Schlax         Lump Sum Cash Payment (A)         Acceleration of Existing Equity Awards (B)         Health & Welfare Benefits (C)         Financial Planning (D)         Outplacement         Total         Excise Tax Gross-Up (E)	\$ 483,400 23,460 25,000 50,000 <u>\$ 581,860</u> \$ —	\$ 747,900 1,267,025 37,657 37,500 50,000 <u>\$ 2,140,082</u> \$ 790,076	\$ 
Michael R. Niggli Lump Sum Cash Payment (A) Acceleration of Existing Equity Awards (B) Health & Welfare Benefits (C) Financial Planning (D) Outplacement Total Excise Tax Gross-Up (E)		$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	\$ 
Lee Schavrien Lump Sum Cash Payment (A) Acceleration of Existing Equity Awards (B) Health & Welfare Benefits (C) Financial Planning (D) Outplacement Total Excise Tax Gross-Up (E)		\$ 1,254,500 2,323,441 63,419 50,000 <u>50,000</u> \$ 3,741,360 \$ —	\$ 2,323,441  <u>\$ 2,323,441</u> <u>\$</u>
W. Davis Smith Lump Sum Cash Payment (A) Acceleration of Existing Equity Awards (B) Health & Welfare Benefits (C) Financial Planning (D) Outplacement Total Excise Tax Gross-Up (E)	\$ 577,433 	\$ 881,483 1,899,326 37,913 37,500 <u>50,000</u> <u>\$ 2,906,222</u> \$ —	\$ 1,899,326  <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u>

- (A) Severance payment ranging from one to two times (from 1.5 to three times following a change in control) the sum of annual base salary and the average of the last three incentive bonuses. Excludes payment of bonus earned in the year of termination.
- (B) Fair market value at December 31, 2011 of performance-based restricted stock and shares subject to performance-based restricted stock units for which forfeiture restrictions would terminate, and the difference between the fair market value at that date and the exercise price of stock options that would become exercisable. The amounts for performance-based restricted stock units include the full amount, *assuming maximum performance*, attributable to the 2008 grant that vested on January 3, 2012.

2008 Restricted Stock Unit Award	Calculat Maximur	e In Control ion Assuming n Performance % of Target	Actual Realized Upon January 3, 2012 Vesting at 100% of Target Performance	
	Shares	Value	Actual Shares	Actual Value Realized
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.	19,919	\$1,095,518	13,279	\$728,096
Robert M. Schlax	5,739	\$ 315,645	3,826	\$209,790
Michael R. Niggli	20,931	\$1,151,205	13,954	\$765,118
Lee Schavrien	10,466	\$ 575,603	6,977	\$382,559
W. Davis Smith	9,623	\$ 529,238	6,415	\$351,707

Stock option amounts include those attributable to fully vested but otherwise not yet exercisable options held by retirement-eligible executives. Such amounts are \$96,188 for Mr. Knight, \$29,250 for Mr. Schlax, \$101,250 for Mr. Niggli, \$46,688 for Mr. Schavrien and \$38,813 for Mr. Smith. For additional information regarding options held by retirement eligible executives, please see Note A to "Outstanding Equity Awards at Year-End."

- (C) Estimated value associated with continuation of health benefits for two years for Mr. Knight, 18 months for Messrs. Niggli and Schavrien, and 12 months for Messrs. Schlax and Smith for termination unrelated to a change in control and continuation of health, life, disability and accident benefits for three years for Mr. Knight, two years for Messrs. Niggli and Schavrien, and 18 months for Messrs. Schlax and Smith for termination accompanied by a change in control.
- (D) Estimated value associated with continuation of financial planning services for two years for Mr. Knight, 18 months for Messrs. Niggli and Schavrien, and 12 months for Messrs. Schlax and Smith for termination unrelated to a change in control, and three years for Mr. Knight, two years for Messrs. Niggli and Schavrien, and 18 months for Messrs. Schlax and Smith for termination accompanied by a change in control.
- (E) Gross-up payment to fully reimburse the executive for excise taxes associated with change in control payments that exceed 2.99 times the executive's fiveyear average compensation. The executive is not reimbursed for other taxes associated with the amounts shown in the Total line. Mr. Knight's severance agreement does not contain an excise tax gross-up provision.

Executive officers who voluntarily terminate their employment (other than for good reason) or whose employment is terminated by death or disability or by the company for cause are not entitled to enhanced benefits.

# ANNUAL REPORT

The company is mailing the joint Annual Report to Shareholders of Sempra Energy, SDG&E and SoCalGas to its shareholders together with this Information Statement.

This Notice of Annual Meeting and this Information Statement are sent by order of the Board of Directors of San Diego Gas & Electric Company.

Jennifer F. Jett Corporate Secretary

Dated: April 27, 2012