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Division of Corporation Finance
Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20549
Attention: Mara Ransom
Catherine T. Brown
Angie Kim

**Re: Southern California Gas Company
Registration Statement on Form S-3/A
Filed August 8, 2012, File No. 333-182557**

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Pursuant to Rule 461 of Regulation C of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the undersigned, on behalf of Southern California Gas Company (the "Company"), respectfully requests that the effective date of the above-referenced Registration Statement be accelerated so that it will become effective at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time on August 16, 2012, or as soon as practicable thereafter.

The undersigned, on behalf of the Company, acknowledges the following:

- should the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, declare the filing effective, it does not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing;
- the action of the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, in declaring the filing effective, does not relieve the Company from its full responsibility for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing; and
- the Company may not assert staff comments and the declaration of effectiveness as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please call Barry M. Clarkson of Latham & Watkins LLP at (858) 523-5406. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Southern California Gas Company

By: /s/ Robert M. Schlax

Robert M. Schlax
Vice President, Controller, Chief Financial
Officer and Chief Accounting Officer

cc: Barry M. Clarkson, Esq., Latham & Watkins LLP