

California City-County Street Light Association (CAL-SLA) Appoints Executive Director

Mehdi “Mike” Sadjadi has been appointed as the Executive Director of California City-County Street Light Association (CAL-SLA). Sadjadi is the Treasurer for the County Engineers Association of California (CEAC) and the former Public Works Director for the County of Marin.

CAL-SLA was organized in 1981 to represent cities and counties before the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) on street light rates and to provide information to cities and counties on lighting issues. It now addresses both street lights and traffic control signals.

CAL-SLA’s first rate case involved Pacific Gas & Electric and the setting of electric rates for street lighting in 1984. The next general rate case pertained to Southern California Edison, and the San Diego Gas & Electric. CAL-SLA has intervened and actively worked on every major rate case concerning the three utilities since 1984.

Street lighting is a unique public service. The CPUC treats street lighting as a separate customer class. CAL-SLA is the only organization that speaks solely for street light customers—cities and counties in California.

CAL-SLA is currently active in the general rate case for Pacific Gas & Electric and has intervened in last year’s general rate case for Southern California Edison. It anticipates intervening in the San Diego Gas & Electric’s general rate case that should be filed later in 2007.

For further information and any questions regarding street light rates, go to the CAL-SLA website, www.cal-sla.org or contact

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