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***Climate Action Leader* Southern California Edison Pioneers Expanded Greenhouse Gas Reporting**

ROSEMEAD, California – Southern California Edison (SCE), which has earned the distinction of *Climate Action Leader*™ from the California Climate Action Registry for the past three years, today became the first Registry member to expand its reporting to include emissions of the greenhouse gas (GHG) sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆), as part of its inventory.

While SF₆ gas is used as an effective insulator in electricity delivery equipment, it is also the most potent of greenhouse gases. SCE has participated voluntarily through its parent company, Edison International, in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's SF₆ Emissions Reduction Partnership for Electric Power Systems since 2001. Building on that experience, SCE reported emissions of SF₆, as well as CO₂, in its certified GHG report for 2004. SCE's SF₆ emissions in 2004 were 40% less than in 1999.

SCE's certified GHG emission report also includes a "carbon intensity" of the power it delivers from owned and purchased generation. SCE's carbon intensity for 2004 was 680 lbs. per megawatt-hour of electricity produced, which is about half of the national emission rate.

"We believe that reporting and certifying emissions according to standard protocols is an important step in developing a deliberate, comprehensive and coordinated approach to the serious challenge of global warming," said SCE President John Fielder. "Our efforts in energy efficiency, renewables and other clean technologies have allowed SCE to avoid more than 9 millions tons of greenhouse gas emissions in 2004, and we stand ready to make additional investments that make sense for our customers."

The Registry, created by the California legislature in 2000, is a non-profit public/private partnership that helps companies and organizations throughout the United States to track, publicly report and reduce their greenhouse gas emissions. The results are certified by independent third-parties to ensure compliance with Registry protocols and standardization across participants and sectors. The Registry has been widely recognized as a gold standard for public reporting of greenhouse gases.

"By voluntarily tracking and reporting their GHG emissions, Southern California Edison is making a strategic business decision to address the issue of climate change" said Diane Wittenberg, president of the California Climate Action Registry. "This is something that we believe companies all over the state and the country, especially in the power generation and distribution sectors, should be doing to prepare their organizations for a carbon-constrained future."

SCE's certified GHG emission reports for 2002, 2003 and 2004 are available through the Registry's website at www.climateregistry.org/CARROT/Public/.

The California Climate Action Registry is a non-profit public/private partnership that serves as a voluntary GHG registry to protect, encourage, and promote early actions to reduce GHG emissions. Over 70 major companies, cities, government agencies and NGOs measure and publicly report their GHG emissions through the Registry. www.climateregistry.org

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