



Sempra Energy Resources' Three New Power Plants Operational In Arizona, California And Mexico

Fleet Of Clean, Efficient Plants Generating Power To Meet Southwest's Summer Peak Electric Demands

SAN DIEGO, July 29, 2003 - Sempra Energy Resources, the power generation subsidiary of Sempra Energy, (NYSE:SRE) today announced that the company's three new, state-of-the-art power plant projects in Arizona, California and Mexico, are now operational. Together, they produce about 1,500 megawatts (MW) of power to help meet the energy needs of the Pacific Southwest.

The clean, efficient natural gas-fueled plants, which represent a total combined Sempra Energy Resources' investment of more than \$1 billion, include: Mesquite Power near Phoenix, which is sending the first 625 MW of its total 1,250 MW of production into the grid; Elk Hills Power, a 550 MW facility near Bakersfield, Calif., jointly owned by Sempra Energy Resources and Occidental Petroleum Corporation; and Termoelectrica de Mexicali (TDM), a 600 MW facility near Mexicali, Mexico. The second half of Mesquite Power is expected to go into operation in late 2003.

"This new fleet of power plants represents another step forward in executing our strategic plan to develop significant electric-generating capabilities in select regions of North America," said Donald E. Felsing, group president, Sempra Energy Global Enterprises, the umbrella for Sempra Energy's growth businesses. "While other companies have had to cut or severely curtail their power-development commitments, we have exercised our financial strength and disciplined approach to the market to see these projects through to completion."

"Mesquite Power, Elk Hills Power and TDM are coming on line just in time to meet the rising electric demand resulting from increased use of air conditioners, water pumps and other appliances during the summer," said Michael R. Niggli, president of Sempra Energy Resources. "In addition to addressing the growing power needs of the Pacific Southwest, each of these new clean, efficient plants was built to meet California's tough air emissions control technology requirements."

A megawatt provides enough power for about 750 to 1,000 homes.

Sempra Energy Resources -- a subsidiary of Sempra Energy Global Enterprises -- develops and operates power plants and energy infrastructure for the competitive market.

Sempra Energy (NYSE: SRE), based in San Diego, is a Fortune 500 energy services holding company with 2002 revenues of \$6 billion. The Sempra Energy companies' 12,000 employees serve more than 9 million customers in the United States, Europe, Canada, Mexico, South America and Asia.

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