



**Date:** October 14, 2015  
**To:** Patrick H. West, City Manager *T.H.W.*  
**For:** Mayor and Members of the City Council  
**Subject:** Request for Reimbursement Letter to Southern California Edison

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The attached correspondence was sent to Southern California President Pedro Pizarro regarding the reimbursement request for City of Long Beach July 15, 2015 Power Outage Expenses.

If you have any questions, please contact Arturo Sanchez, Deputy City Manager, at 8-5028.

ATTACHMENT

cc: Charles Parkin, City Attorney  
Laura L. Doud, City Auditor  
Tom Modica, Assistant City Manager  
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October 9, 2015

Mr. Pedro Pizarro  
President, Southern California Edison  
2244 Walnut Grove Avenue  
Rosemead, CA 91770

Subject: Reimbursement Request for City of Long Beach July 15, 2015 Power Outage Expenses

Dear Mr. Pizarro:

From Wednesday, July 15 through Saturday, July 18, 2015, the City of Long Beach suffered the first of two major power outage events attributed to equipment failure in Southern California Edison's (SCE) underground vaults. More than 70,000 residents and dozens of businesses were affected over the course of the four day outage. The City's public safety, public works and emergency response personnel, worked tirelessly, throughout this first outage to ensure the health and safety of the residents of Long Beach.

Additionally, City personnel and equipment assets were deployed in support of SCE crews working to restore power. The total of all City of Long Beach expenses related to this response is \$434,502. We respectfully request that SCE reimburse the City for these costs.

The following is an accounting of the costs of the City's response effort to the power outage. These costs are summarized below in the following categories: Direct Labor, Materials & Supplies and Exempt Employee Time.

Direct Labor:

Costs summarized in this category represent direct charges of employee labor, including straight time, overtime, and fringe benefits and employee overhead for the duration of the power outage response. These costs are summarized in the table below. The total cost of Direct Labor in response to the outage event is \$354,916, and represents a total of 4,980 hours worked by 407 City employees.

Category	Amount
Straight Time (Full-time, Part-time, & Temp)	116,453
Overtime	142,946
Fringe & Overhead	95,517
<b>Total</b>	<b>354,916</b>

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Materials & Supplies:

Costs summarized in this category represent direct material and supply costs for the City's response effort. These charges include generator rental, portable sanitation rental for Chavez Park shelter, small tools and equipment, fuel and meals for response workers. The total cost of Materials & Supplies in response to the outage event is \$25,692.

<b>Category</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Generator Rental	7,908
Portable Sanitation Rental	5,845
Fuel	4,449
Meals & Grocery	4,307
Other	3,183
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,692</b>

Exempt Employee Time:

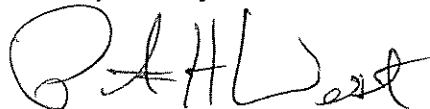
Costs in this category represent the value of the work effort exhibited by the City's FSLA-exempt management personnel in response to the power outage event. The time that management personnel spends away from regular job responsibilities and assignments represents a significant opportunity cost to the City. To account for this cost, management personnel were asked to track the time that they were assigned to power outage response activities. The total value of the management response to the power outage is \$53,894, and represents a total of 671 hours worked by City management personnel. This amount represents worked hours not included in the Direct Labor Category.

Summary of All Reimbursements Requested:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Direct Labor	354,916
Materials & Supplies	25,692
Exempt Employee Time	53,894
<b>Total</b>	<b>434,502</b>

The City of Long Beach appreciates SCE's consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Finance Director Lea Eriksen at 562-570-6533.

Respectfully,



PATRICK H. WEST  
City Manager

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