

SEMPRA ENERGY
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SEMPRA ENERGY
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

101 Ash Street

33-0732627
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

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San Diego, California 92101

(619) 696-2000

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

Sempra Energy Savings Plan

San Diego Gas & Electric Company Savings Plan

Southern California Gas Company Retirement Savings Plan

(Full title of Plans)

James M. Spira

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Sempra Energy

101 Ash Street

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer
 Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

| Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered | Amount to be Registered ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ | Proposed | Proposed | Amount of Registration Fee |
|--|---|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | Maximum Offering Price Per Share ⁽³⁾ | Maximum Aggregate Offering Price | |
| Common Stock, no par value | 10,000,000 | \$110.38 | \$1,103,800,000.00 | \$128,262.00 |

- (1) Each of the Sempra Energy Savings Plan, the San Diego Gas & Electric Company Savings Plan and the Southern California Gas Company Retirement Savings Plan (collectively, the Plans) permits investments in a common stock fund of the Registrant. The Registrant is registering 10,000,000 shares of common stock, no par value, of the Registrant (the Common Stock) hereunder. In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement also covers an indeterminate amount of plan interests in each of the Plans to be offered or sold pursuant to such Plans.
- (2) In the event of a stock split, stock dividend, spin-off, or similar transaction involving the Common Stock, the number of shares registered hereby shall automatically be increased to cover the additional shares in accordance with Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- (3) The Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share has been estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rules 457(h) and 457(c) under the Securities Act, based on the average of the high and low prices of a share of Common Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on December 5, 2014.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

The information called for in Part I of this Form S-8 is not being filed with or included in this Form S-8 (by incorporation by reference or otherwise) in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission).

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed with the Commission by the Registrant or the Plans are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, filed with the Commission on February 27, 2014;
- (b) The Plans' Annual Report on Form 11-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, filed with the Commission on June 27, 2014;
- (c) The Registrant's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarterly periods ended March 31, 2014, June 30, 2014 and September 30, 2014, filed with the Commission on May 2, 2014, August 7, 2014 and November 4, 2014, respectively;
- (d) The Registrant's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on March 27, 2014, May 14, 2014, June 13, 2014, September 22, 2014, September 24, 2014, October 2, 2014 and November 21, 2014; and
- (e) The description of the Registrant's Common Stock contained in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A (Reg. No. 001-14201), filed with the Commission on June 5, 1998, including any subsequently filed amendments and reports updating such description.

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which de-registers all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. The Registrant will not, however, incorporate by reference any documents or portions thereof that are not deemed filed with the Commission, including any information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of the Registrant's Current Reports on Form 8-K unless, and except to the extent, specified in such reports.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document which also is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 317 of the Corporations Code of the State of California permits a corporation to provide indemnification to its directors and officers under certain circumstances. The Registrant's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation eliminate the liability of directors for monetary damages to the fullest extent permissible under California law, and the Registrant's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws (as amended) each provide that indemnification for liability for monetary damages incurred by directors, officers and other agents of the Registrant shall be allowed, subject to certain limitations, in excess of the indemnification otherwise expressly permitted by Section 317 of the Corporations Code. In addition, the Registrant has indemnification agreements with its officers and directors that provide for indemnification for monetary damages to the fullest extent permissible under California law. The Registrant maintains liability insurance and is also insured against loss for which it may be required or permitted by law to indemnify its directors and officers for their related acts.

The directors and officers of the Registrant are covered by insurance policies indemnifying them against certain liabilities, including certain liabilities arising under the Securities Act, which might be incurred by them in such capacities and against which they cannot be indemnified by the Registrant.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the registrant has been informed that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

See Index to Exhibits following the signature pages to this Registration Statement, which exhibits are filed as a part of, and incorporated by reference into, this Registration Statement.

The Registrant will submit or has submitted the Plans and any amendments thereto to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in a timely manner and has made or will make all changes required by the IRS in order to qualify the Plans under Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Item 9. Undertakings.

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of a prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in

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volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement.

Provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) shall not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer, or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), the Company certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of San Diego, State of California, on this 9th day of December 2014.

Sempra Energy, a California corporation

By: /s/ Debra L. Reed
Debra L. Reed
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Also pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the trustee (or other persons who administer the Sempra Energy Savings Plan, San Diego Gas & Electric Company Savings Plan and Southern California Gas Company Retirement Savings Plan) has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of San Diego, State of California, on this 9th day of December 2014.

Sempra Energy Savings Plan

By: /s/ G. Joyce Rowland
G. Joyce Rowland
Senior Vice President, Chief Human
Resources Officer and Chief
Administrative Officer
Sempra Energy

**San Diego Gas & Electric Company Savings
Plan**

By: /s/ G. Joyce Rowland
G. Joyce Rowland
Senior Vice President, Chief Human
Resources Officer and Chief
Administrative Officer

Sempra Energy

**Southern California Gas Company
Retirement Savings Plan**

By: /s/ G. Joyce Rowland
G. Joyce Rowland
Senior Vice President, Chief Human
Resources Officer and Chief
Administrative Officer

SIGNATURES AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below hereby authorizes and appoints each individual who, at the time of acting under this power of attorney, is the Chief Executive Officer, President, Chief Financial Officer (however designated), and Chief Accounting Officer (however designated) of Sempra Energy and each of them severally, as attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, to sign on his or her behalf, individually and in the capacities stated below, and to file any and all amendments, including post-effective amendments, to the Registration Statement and other documents in connection therewith, with the Commission, granting to said attorneys-in-fact and agents full power and authority to perform any other act on behalf of the undersigned required to be done in the premises.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on December 9, 2014.

| Signature | Title |
|--|---|
| /s/ Debra L. Reed Debra L. Reed | Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer) |
| /s/ Joseph A. Householder Joseph A. Householder | Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) |
| /s/ Trevor I. Mihalik Trevor I. Mihalik | Senior Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer) |
| /s/ Alan L. Boeckmann Alan L. Boeckmann | Director |
| /s/ James G. Brocksmith Jr. James G. Brocksmith Jr. | Director |
| /s/ Kathleen L. Brown Kathleen L. Brown | Director |
| /s/ Pablo A. Ferrero Pablo A. Ferrero | Director |
| /s/ William D. Jones William D. Jones | Director |
| /s/ William G. Ouchi William G. Ouchi | Director |

/s/ William C. Rusnack
William C. Rusnack

Director

/s/ William P. Rutledge
William P. Rutledge

Director

Signature

Title

Lynn Schenk

Director

/s/ Jack T. Taylor
Jack T. Taylor

Director

Luis M. Téllez

Director

/s/ James C. Yardley
James C. Yardley

Director

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT

- 5.1 Opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP
- 23.1 Consent of Latham & Watkins LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
- 23.2 Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
- 24.1 Powers of Attorney (included on signature page to this Registration Statement)