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SCE to Auction Nuclear Plant Surplus Machinery, Equipment

ROSEMEAD, Calif., Feb. 20, 2014 — Southern California Edison (SCE) announced today that it plans a public auction next month to sell surplus machinery and equipment at the San Onofre nuclear plant, which was permanently retired last year.

SCE has retained MRI Auctions Inc, an industrial machinery auctioneer in Simi Valley, Calif., to facilitate the auction from March 26-28 via live webcast or in person at San Onofre just south of San Clemente.

Surplus inventory and components for sale include large capacity manual and computer numerical control (CNC) machine shops. CNC is a type of programmable automation which uses microcomputers to carry out machining operations. New parts, heavy metal and sheet metal fabrication equipment are among the other items listed for sale. No items for sale were associated with radiological plant operations.

“The sale of such equipment is a standard practice for decommissioning industrial sites such as San Onofre,” said Doug Bauder, SCE vice president of Operational Services. “It’s an efficient way for SCE to reduce inventory and redirect valuable equipment to companies that need it.”

The auction begins at 10 a.m. on March 26 at the Mesa portion of San Onofre on the east side of Interstate 5. Bidders may register on the MRI website, as well as view pictures of the items for sale. Bidders also may inspect the equipment at San Onofre from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on March 24 and 25. SCE will not disclose the proceeds from the asset sale.

SCE announced June 7 that it would retire San Onofre Units 2 and 3, and begin preparations to decommission the facility. The site workforce has been reduced to 520, a reduction of more than 900 employees. For more information, visit www.songscommunity.com and follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

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