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## **Southern California Gas Company Awards Smart Metering Contract to Capgemini**

*Automated Metering Project -- a U.S. First for Gas-Only Distribution Company*

**Paris, FRANCE, Los Angeles, USA, December 1st 2011 – Capgemini, one of the world’s foremost providers of consulting, technology and outsourcing services, today announced it has been chosen by the Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas), a Sempra Energy utility, to support them in the delivery of a comprehensive advanced meter solution, a first for a large North American, gas-only distribution company. The work is planned to extend to the end of December 2013, with an initial ‘go live’ date of October 2012.**

Capgemini will provide SoCalGas with a spectrum of advanced meter project services including developing processes for and staffing a project management office, developing detailed technical and business requirements for the project, managing multiple system releases and developing project strategies for the test and organizational change management aspects of the project. In addition, Capgemini will provide support to the systems integration, architecture, testing, and deployment efforts.

Capgemini was selected for this project by SoCalGas following a competitive tender process involving major vendors.

This project is part of a breakthrough year for Capgemini Smart Energy Services (SES). Since February 2010 when Capgemini launched the SES global service line, Capgemini has grown its smart energy client base from 5 customers in North America to a total of 39 active accounts representing triple-digit growth and all major geographies across the globe. Capgemini continues to expand its SES portfolio focusing on SES Platform, a “software as a service” solution for metering operations as well as Home Energy Management. Capgemini provides the full spectrum of smart metering, smart grid, smart home and smart analytics solutions through leveraging best practices developed successfully over the last 10 years with some of the world’s leading utilities.

*Perry Stoneman, vice president and global leader, Smart Energy Services, Capgemini comments: 'We're delighted to have the opportunity to work with a leading utility like Southern California Gas Company on a project of such scale, with such potential. This is the latest in a line of important milestones for Smart Energy Services and of strategic importance to Capgemini as we build our capabilities and expand from electricity into gas metering programs. With each landmark program, we gather more skills and experience to analyze and share for the benefit of our global utility clients.'*

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