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

101 Ash Street San Diego, California 92101-3017 (619) 696-2034

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

#### SEMPRA ENERGY 2008 LONG TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

(Full title of the plan)

GARY W. KYLE, ESQ. Chief Corporate Counsel Sempra Energy 101 Ash Street San Diego, California 92101-3017 (619) 696-2034

Non-accelerated filer  $\square$  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Large accelerated filer  $\boxtimes$ 

Common Stock, without par value

BARRY CLARKSON, ESQ. Latham & Watkins LLP 12636 High Bluff Drive, Suite 400 San Diego, California 92130 (858) 523-5400

\$59.29

12,500,000 shares

Accelerated filer  $\square$ 

\$741,125,000

Smaller reporting company  $\square$ 

\$29,126.22

Copy to:

 $(Name, address, including \ zip \ code, and \ telephone \ number, including \ area \ code, of \ agent \ for \ service)$ 

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 the
definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE					
Title of Each Class of Securities to	Amount to be	Proposed Maximum Offering Price	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering	Amount of Registration	
be Registered	Registered <sup>(1)</sup>	Per Share <sup>(2)</sup>	Price (2)	Fee	

- (1) The Sempra Energy 2008 Long Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") authorizes the issuance of up to 6,500,000 shares of common stock, without par value (the "Common Stock"), of Sempra Energy, a California corporation (the "Company"), plus the number of shares of the Common Stock subject to outstanding awards as of May 23, 2008 under the Sempra Energy 1998 Long Term Incentive Plan, the Sempra Energy 1998 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Plan and the Sempra Energy Employee Stock Incentive Plan, which cease to be subject to such awards. Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this Registration Statement shall automatically cover any additional shares of Common Stock that become purchasable under the Plan by reason of any future stock split, stock dividend or other similar transaction.
- 2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(h) and (c) under the Securities Act. The price per share and aggregate offering price for the shares of Common Stock are calculated on the basis of the average of the high and low trading prices of the Common Stock, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on May 19, 2008.

#### PART I

The information called for in Part I of Form S-8 is not being prepared 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

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference

The following documents filed with the Commission by Sempra Energy (the "Company"), are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement:

- A. The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, filed with the Commission on February 26, 2008, pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act");
- B. The Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2008, filed with the Commission on May 2, 2008;
- C. The Company's Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed with the Commission on January 17, 2008, March 19, 2008, and April 7, 2008; and
- D. The description of the Company's Common Stock contained in the Company'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 filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and are a part hereof from the date of filing such documents. A report furnished on Form 8-K shall not be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement. 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 other subsequently filed document which also is or 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 Company's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation and its Amended and Restated Bylaws eliminate the liability of directors for monetary damages to the fullest extent permissible under California law and provide that indemnification for liability for monetary damages incurred by directors, officers and other agents of the Company shall be allowed, subject to certain limitations, in excess of the indemnification otherwise permissible under California law. In addition, the Company has indemnification agreements with each of its officers and directors that provide for indemnification for monetary damages to the fullest extent permissible under California law. The Company 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 Company 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 Company.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the Company pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the Company 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 on page 7.

#### 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 the 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 in accordance with Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;
    - (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the 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 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 the 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 herein, 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, the registrant 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 22nd day of May, 2008.

Sempra Energy, a California corporation

By: /s/ Donald E. Felsinger

Donald E. Felsinger

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below hereby authorizes and appoints Donald E. Felsinger, Javade Chaudhri and Neal E. Schmale, and each of them, 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 this 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 May 22, 2008.

Signature	Title
/s/ Donald E. Felsinger	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Donald E. Felsinger	(Principal Executive Officer)
/s/ Mark A. Snell	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Mark A. Snell	(Principal Financial Officer)
/s/ Joseph A. Householder	Senior Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting Officer
Joseph A. Householder	(Principal Accounting Officer)
/s/ James G. Brocksmith, Jr.	Director
James G. Brocksmith, Jr.	
/s/ Richard A. Collato	Director
Richard A. Collato	
/s/ Wilford D. Godbold, Jr.	Director
Wilford D. Godbold, Jr.	
/s/ William D. Jones	Director
William D. Jones	<u> </u>

/s/ Richard G. Newman	Director
Richard G. Newman	
/s/ William G. Ouchi William G. Ouchi	Director
/s/ William C. Rusnack William C. Rusnack	Director
William C. Rushack	
/s/ William P. Rutledge	Director
William P. Rutledge	
/s/ Carlos Ruiz Sacristan	Director
Carlos Ruiz Sacristan	
/s/ Lynn Schenk	Director
Lynn Schenk	
/s/ Neal E. Schmale Neal E. Schmale	Director
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### INDEX TO EXHIBITS

## **EXHIBIT**

- 5.1 Opinion of Gary W. Kyle, Esq.
- Sempra Energy 2008 Long Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference from Appendix A to the 2008 Sempra Energy Definitive Proxy Statement, filed with the Commission on April 15, 2008)
- 23.1 Consent of Gary W. Kyle, Esq. (included in Exhibit 5.1)
- 23.2 Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
- 24.1 Power of Attorney (included on signature page to this Registration Statement)

[Sempra Letterhead]

May 23, 2008

Sempra Energy Board of Directors 101 Ash Street San Diego, California 92101

RE: Registration Statement on Form S-8

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am the Chief Corporate Counsel of Sempra Energy, a California corporation (the "Company"). I am delivering this opinion in connection with the registration statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") being filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of an aggregate of 6,500,000 shares (the "Shares") of the Company's common stock, without par value ("Common Stock") under the Sempra Energy 2008 Long Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), plus the number of shares of the Common Stock subject to outstanding awards as of May 23, 2008 under the Sempra Energy 1998 Long Term Incentive Plan, the Sempra Energy 1998 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Plan and the Sempra Energy Employee Stock Incentive Plan, which cease to be subject to such awards.

In my capacity as Chief Corporate Counsel of the Company, I am familiar with the proceedings taken, and proposed to be taken, by the Company in connection with the authorization, issuance and sale of the Shares and, for the purposes of this opinion, I have assumed such proceedings will be timely completed in the manner presently proposed.

As such counsel, I have examined such matters of fact and questions of law considered appropriate for purposes of rendering the opinion expressed below. In my examination, I have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted as originals, and the conformity to authentic original documents of all documents submitted to me as copies. With your consent I have relied upon certificates of an officer of the Company and others with respect to certain factual matters. I have not independently verified such factual matters.

With respect to the opinion expressed below, I am opining herein as to the effect on the subject transaction only of the internal laws of the State of California, and I express no opinion with respect to the applicability thereto, or the effect thereon, of the laws of any other jurisdiction, or as to any matters of municipal law or the laws of any other local agencies or instrumentalities within any state or jurisdiction.

Subject to the foregoing and in reliance thereon, it is my opinion that, upon the issuance and sale of the Shares in the manner contemplated by the Registration Statement and in accordance with the terms of the applicable Plan, and subject to the Company completing all action and proceedings required on its part to be taken prior to the issuance of the Shares pursuant to the terms of the applicable Plan and the Registration Statement, including, without limitation, receipt of legal consideration in excess of the par value of the Shares issued, the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable securities of the Company.

With your consent, I have assumed for purposes of the opinion paragraph above that: (i) some or all of the Shares may be delivered through the Depository Trust Company's automated system for deposits and withdrawals of securities, (ii) the issuance of the Shares will be recorded in the books of the Company, and (iii) the Company will comply with all applicable notice requirements of Section 416 of the California General Corporation Law.

This opinion is rendered only to the Company and is solely for the benefit of the Company in connection with the transaction covered hereby. This opinion may not be relied upon by you for any other purpose, or furnished to, quoted to or relied upon, by any other person, firm or corporation for any purpose, without my prior written consent.

I consent to your filing this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, I do not thereby admit that I am in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Gary W. Kyle

Gary W. Kyle Chief Corporate Counsel [Deloitte & Touche LLP Letterhead]

### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of Sempra Energy of our reports dated February 25, 2008, relating to the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule of Sempra Energy and subsidiaries (which report on the consolidated financial statements expresses an unqualified opinion and includes an explanatory paragraph relating to the adoption of new accounting standards) and the effectiveness of Sempra Energy's internal control over financial reporting, appearing in and incorporated by reference in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Sempra Energy for the year ended December 31, 2007.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP San Diego, CA May 23, 2008