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NOTICE OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO INCREASE RATES IN ITS HYDROGEN BLENDING APPLICATION (A.22-09-006)

Acronyms you need to know

PG&E: Pacific Gas and Electric Company

CPUC: California Public Utilities Commission

Why am I receiving this notice?

On March 1, 2024, PG&E joined other California gas utilities in filing an amended Hydrogen Blending Application¹ with the CPUC. The application requests \$94.2 million to support the state's clean energy goals through a project that will lower greenhouse gas emissions on natural gas systems.

Why is PG&E requesting this rate increase?

PG&E is committed to helping its customers safely and affordably meet the state of California's decarbonization goals. The application includes a phased approach to safely test adding hydrogen to existing natural gas pipelines, known as hydrogen blending. Using existing pipelines may be a cost-effective and timely way to transform California's future energy system and achieve decarbonization at scale.

How could this affect my monthly gas rates?

Bundled gas customers receive transmission, distribution and procurement services from PG&E. PG&E is proposing to recover gas costs over a 10-year period beginning **as early as 2027**. This assumes the application is approved and the projects are under way by this time.

In 2030, which is the year with the highest increase, the bill for a typical residential customer averaging 33 therms per month would increase by \$0.05 from \$73.49 to \$73.54, or 0.07%.

Actual increases will vary depending on usage and are subject to CPUC regulatory approval.

¹ In December 2022, PG&E was directed by the CPUC in Decision 22-12-057 to file an application proposing a pilot program to test hydrogen blending in natural gas.

How does the rest of this process work?

This amended application is already assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt PG&E and gas utilities' amended application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding may review the amended application, including the Public Advocates Office. Public Advocates Office is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information, please call **1-415-703-1584**, email **PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov**, or visit **PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov**.

Where can I get more information?

CONTACT PG&E

If you have questions about this joint filing, please contact PG&E at **1-800-743-5000**. For TTY, call **1-800-652-4712**.

If you would like a copy of the filing and exhibits, please write to the address below:

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Hydrogen Blending Application (A.22-09-006)
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CONTACT CPUC

Please visit **apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2209006** to submit a comment about this proceeding on the CPUC Docket Card. Here you can also view documents and other public comments related to this proceeding.

If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at:

Email: **Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov**

Mail: CPUC Public Advisor's Office
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Call: **1-866-849-8390** (toll-free) or **1-415-703-2074**

Please reference **Hydrogen Blending Application (A.22-09-006)** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.