

March 12, 2001

**ADVICE 2086-E
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U39E)**

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California (CPUC)

Subject: Notice of the Proposed Construction of New Facilities and Reconstruction of the Henrietta-Kingsburg #764 in the County of Kings

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits pursuant to General Order (G.O.) 131-D, Section XI, Subsection B.4 of the construction and reconstruction of a power line in the County of Kings. The Notice described in G.O. 131-D Section XI, Paragraph C, is submitted as Attachment I.

Purpose

This advice letter provides a copy of the Notice of Proposed Construction and Reconstruction (Attachment I) and the Notice Distribution List, which comply with the noticing requirements found in G.O. 131-D, Section XI, Subsections B and C.

Background

Leprino Foods has requested PG&E to provide service to their new plant currently under construction west of Highway 41 and north of Belle Haven in the City of Lemoore, California. PG&E proposes to construct approximately 2 miles of new 115 kilovolt (kV) power line and reconstruct 4 miles of existing power line to meet this request. After tapping the existing Kingsburg-Henrietta 115 kV line at the intersection of Jersey and 21st Avenue, the new power line will be constructed northerly within the franchise of 21st Avenue until reaching Highway 198. The new power line will be constructed within the existing easement of the Henrietta-Lemoore #764 70 kV power line after crossing Highway 198. The new line would leave the existing power line easement on the west side of Highway 41 and run southerly within the franchise area of the Highway frontage road until reaching the customer's substation. Construction is scheduled to begin about May 2001, and the power line will be operational by January 2002.

Pursuant to Section III, Paragraph B, Subsection 1(X) of G.O. 131-D, the construction and reconstruction of this power line is exempt from a Permit to Construct. Subsections 1(f) and (g) state that a Permit to Construct is not required for (Subsection 1(f)) power lines or substations to be relocated or constructed which have undergone environmental review pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as part of a larger project, and for which the final CEQA document (Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or Negative Declaration) finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts caused by the proposed line or substation.

The City of Lemoore filed the "College Park at West Hills Development," Environmental Impact Report SCH# 96102104 in June 1997. In Subsection 1(g), the power line facilities or substations will be located in an existing franchise, road-widening setback easement, or public utility easement; or in a utility corridor designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies for which a final Negative Declaration or EIR finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts.

Additionally, G.O. 131-D requires utilities to employ "no cost" and "low cost" measures to reduce public exposure to electric and magnetic fields (EMFs). PG&E will implement "no cost" measures by using optimum phasing along the double circuit portion of the line to minimize the inductive field. Low cost measures do not apply for this project.

This filing will not increase any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, or conflict with any other rate schedule or rule.

Effective Date

PG&E requests that this advice filing become effective on **April 21, 2001**, which is 40 days after the date of filing. (In accordance with G.O. 131-D, construction will not begin until 45 days after notice is first published.)

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by filing a protest with the CPUC by **April 1, 2001**, at the following address:

Energy Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, Fourth Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102
Facsimile: (415) 703-2200

In addition, protests and all other correspondence regarding this advice letter should also be sent by letter and transmitted via facsimile to PG&E to the attention of:

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Persons or groups may protest the proposed construction and reconstruction if they believe that the Company has incorrectly applied for an exemption or that the conditions set out in Section III.B.2 of G.O. 131-D exist. The protest shall set forth the grounds upon which it is based and shall be submitted expeditiously. There is no restriction on who may file a protest.

In accordance with Section III, Paragraph G, of G.O. 96-A, PG&E is electronically and postal mailing copies of this advice letter to the utilities and interested parties shown on the attached list, including the parties listed in G.O. 131-D, Section XI, Paragraphs B.1. and B.2. Address change requests should be directed to Nelia Avendano at (415) 973-3529.

Vice President -- Regulatory Relations

Attachments

cc: Parties Listed in G.O. 131-D, Paragraphs B.1 and B.2

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