

May 3, 2001

**ADVICE 2112-E
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U39E)**

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California (CPUC)

Subject: Notice of Proposed Construction of a Power Line in Kings County for GWF Power Systems, Hanford Energy Park

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits pursuant to General Order (G.O.) 131-D, Section XI, Subsection B.4, the notice of the construction of a power line in Kings County for GWF Power Systems, Hanford Energy Park. 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 (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

GWF Power Systems Co., INC. has requested PG&E to interconnect their proposed 98.7 megawatt (mW) generation plant in the Hanford Energy Park (HEP) near the City of Hanford, County of Kings. Power will be transmitted through a new 1.4-mile double circuit wood pole line within a new power line easement. The new construction originates at the intersection of Jackson Avenue and 11th Avenue and runs north along the east side of 11th until reaching Idaho Avenue. Here the route runs east along the north side of Idaho Avenue until reaching the new power plant. To meet the electrical demands for summer 2001, construction of the pole line is scheduled to begin as soon as possible following the protest period.

Pursuant to G.O. 131-D, Section III, Paragraph B, Subsection 1(f), the construction of this power line is exempt from a Permit to Construct. Subsection 1(f) states, "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 California Energy Commission has filed Mitigated Negative Declaration Docket No. 00-SPPE-1, dated April 11, 2001, for this project.

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 locate new facilities within the new utility easement using double circuit configuration of insulators that, by proper phasing arrangement, will reduce EMF strength at ground level as compared to other configurations.

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 **May 28, 2001**, which is 5 days after the protest period ends. (Construction will begin immediately following this date.)

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by filing a protest with the CPUC and PG&E by **May 23, 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 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 exist identified in G.O. 131-D, Section III, Subsection B.2. 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.

Notice

In accordance with G.O. 96-A, Section III, Paragraph G, 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 type of parties specified in G.O. 131-D, Section XI, Paragraphs B.1. and B.2. These parties are identified in the "Notice Distribution List" included in Attachment I. Address change requests should be directed to Nelia Avendano at (415) 973-3529.

PG&E reserves all legal rights to challenge the decisions or statutes under which it has been required to make this advice filing, and nothing in this advice filing constitutes a waiver of such rights. Also, PG&E reserves any additional legal rights to challenge the requirement to make this advice filing by reason of its status as a debtor under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, and nothing in this advice filing constitutes a waiver of such rights.

Vice President -- Regulatory Relations

Attachments

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