

May 21, 2001

**ADVICE 2117-E**  
**(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U39 E)**

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject:** Notice of Proposed Construction of Facilities Pursuant to General Order 131-D, Power Line Relocation in the City of Woodland

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits notice pursuant to General Order (G.O.) 131-D, Section XI, Subsection B.4 of the construction of facilities that are exempt from a Permit to Construct.

**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**

PG&E has been requested by the City of Woodland to relocate a portion of the existing Woodland-Davis 115 (kV) kilovolt power line along the east side of County Road 102 between the intersection of Gibson Road and the intersection of Wintun Drive, in order to widen County Road 102, in the City of Woodland. Twelve wood poles will be relocated approximately fifteen feet east of their existing location and the total length of line affected by the relocation is approximately 3,700 feet. Construction is scheduled to begin in July 2001, and the new facilities should be in operation by August 2001.

This project qualifies as exempt from Permit to Construct filing requirements pursuant to G.O. 131-D, Section III, Subsection B.1.f, which exempts, "power lines or substations to be relocated or constructed which have undergone environmental review pursuant to the 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 Woodland has issued a Notice of Determination (number N01-22), dated March 6, 2001, and an Environmental Impact Report was prepared by the City of Woodland and submitted to the State Clearinghouse (number 2000042034) for the Sycamore Ranch Community Facilities District (CDF) #1, phase 2 Roadway

and Utility Improvements Project, which includes the proposed power line relocation. No significant unavoidable environmental impacts were identified for PG&E's proposed power line relocation.

Additionally, G.O. 131-D requires utilities to employ "no cost" and specified "low cost" measures to reduce public exposure to electric and magnetic fields (EMFs). Based upon the standard that "low cost" mitigation measures not exceed 4% of the total project costs, there are no "no cost" or "low cost" measures to be employed by PG&E on 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 **June 30, 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 and PG&E by **June 10, 2001**, at the following address:

Director, 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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Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
P.O. Box 7442  
San Francisco, CA 94120  
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Les Guliasi,  
Manager, Regulatory Relations  
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P.O. Box 770000, Mail Code B10C  
San Francisco, CA 94177  
Facsimile (415) 973-7226

Persons or groups may protest the proposed construction if they believe that PG&E has incorrectly applied for an exemption or that the conditions set out in G.O. 131-D, Section III, Subsection B.2, exist.

**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

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

bcc: David Kraska  
Jo Lambert  
Robert Masuoka  
Oscar Sample  
Scot Wilson