

February 15, 2002

**Advice 2150-E-B**

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Revenue Neutral Time-of-Use Rate Proposal --Electric Rate  
Schedule A-10**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits this second supplemental advice filing for revisions to its electric tariffs. The affected tariff sheets are listed on the enclosed Attachment I.<sup>1</sup>

**Purpose**

In compliance with Decision (D.) 01-09-062, issued September 20, 2001, and following further instructions from the Commission's Energy Division, PG&E hereby submits this supplemental advice filing to implement revenue neutral time-of-use (TOU) pricing for customers who are not currently on a TOU rate schedule and who will either receive a Real Time Pricing (RTP) meter through the California Energy Commission's (CEC) ABX1 29 meter installation program, or who wish to arrange for the installation of such a meter on a voluntary basis.

In accordance with Energy Division's request, PG&E is filing two concurrent advice letters this date: (1) Advice 2150-E-B, which re-submits PG&E's TOU rate proposal; and (2) Advice 2197-E, to request authority for PG&E's recommended meter data access charge for customers who arrange for a RTP meter installation on a voluntary basis.

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

## **Background**

PG&E submitted Advice 2150-E on August 8, 2001. In D. 01-09-062, the Commission adopted PG&E's TOU rate proposal as submitted in Advice 2150-E, with the following modifications:

1. Those customers currently receiving service under Schedule A-10 who are not eligible to receive a new RTP meter under the ABX1 29 meter program should be offered the opportunity to pay for a meter and participate in the new TOU pricing program on a voluntary basis.
2. Customers assigned to the new TOU pricing program should be permitted to change to a voluntary TOU rate schedule (e.g., Schedule A-6 or E-19V) if they wish to make such a change, without being subject to the 12-month waiting period that is ordinarily required after a customer voluntarily changes rate schedules.
3. The new TOU prices should become effective for those customers who receive new meters under the ABX1 29 meter program upon the first regularly scheduled meter read which occurs after the new metering system has been installed.

In compliance with D. 01-09-062, PG&E submitted supplemental Advice 2150-E-A on September 27, 2001. Advice 2150-E-A revised tariff sheets for electric rate Schedule A-10, which included modifications to the "Applicability" section to: (1) define the effective date for assignment of customers to the new TOU pricing program; (2) allow for voluntary assignment of other Schedule A-10 customers to the new TOU pricing program if they reimburse PG&E for all necessary meter purchase and installation costs; and (3) provide voluntary TOU customers the option of paying for and receiving the same Internet-based access to the electric load information recorded by their RTP meter, as is already available at no charge to new mandatory TOU customers.<sup>2</sup> Since the waiting period defined in PG&E's electric Rule 12 will not apply to the initial mandatory assignment to the new Schedule A-10 TOU pricing program, no revisions of PG&E's existing tariffs were needed to allow for ABX1 29 customers to voluntarily elect service under other applicable TOU rate schedules.

Also, in Advice 2150-E-A, PG&E submitted a new standard electric service agreement, *Interval Meter and Meter Data Management Service Agreement* (Form 79-984). This agreement provided the terms and conditions under which those customers who wish to voluntarily enroll in the new TOU pricing programs would pay to receive interval meters and internet-based access to the electric load information recorded by meters.

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<sup>2</sup> Those customers who receive state-funded RTP meters under ABX1 29 will receive one year of the Internet-based access to their interval load data at no charge, because the CEC has elected to use ABX1 29 funds to assume all of the costs of providing these customers with the first year of data access.

Two limited protests were submitted in response to Advice 2150-E-A addressing the level of PG&E's recommended data access charge. Energy Division staff requested that PG&E re-file its TOU rate proposal and separate the issue of new TOU pricing programs from the request to authorize PG&E's recommended meter data access charge for those customers who arrange for a RTP meter installation on a voluntary basis.

### **Tariff Revisions**

In accordance with Energy Division's request, PG&E submits in this filing revised tariff sheets for its electric rate Schedule A-10—*Medium General Demand-Metered Service*, and the standard electric service agreement, *Interval Meter Installation Service Agreement* (Form 79-984). The only changes submitted herein that differ from supplemental Advice 2150-E-A, are to remove the previously proposed voluntary meter data access charge provisions from electric rate Schedule A-10 and from Form 79-984.

### **Protests**

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by sending a letter by postal mail **and** facsimile by **March 7, 2002**, which is 20 days from the date of this filing. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based, including such items as financial and service impact, and should be submitted expeditiously. Protests should be mailed to:

IMC Branch Chief  
Energy Division  
California Public Utilities Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 4002  
San Francisco, California 94102  
Facsimile: (415) 703-2200

Copies should also be mailed to the attention of the Director, Energy Division, Room 4005 and Jerry Royer, Energy Division, at the address shown above. It is also requested that a copy of the protest be sent via postal mail **and** facsimile to Pacific Gas and Electric Company at the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
Attention: Les Guliasi  
Director, Regulatory Relations  
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C  
P.O. Box 770000  
San Francisco, California 94177  
Facsimile: (415) 973-7226

**Effective Date**

In accordance with D. 01-09-062, Ordering Paragraph 3, PG&E requests that this supplemental advice filing become effective **September 20, 2001**, which is the date that D. 01-09-062 was issued and became effective.

**Notice**

In accordance with General Order 96-A, Section III, Paragraph G, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and via U.S. mail to parties shown on the attached list and to the Service List A. 00-11-056. Address changes should be directed to Nelia Avendano at (415) 973-3529. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at:

[http://www.pge.com/customer\\_services/business/tariffs/](http://www.pge.com/customer_services/business/tariffs/)

Vice President - Regulatory Relations

Attachments

cc: Service List – A. 00-11-056



SCHEDULE A-10—MEDIUM GENERAL DEMAND-METERED SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: A customer selecting service on Schedule A-10 after August 15, 1992 must use at least 50,000 kWh per year. Schedule A-10 applies to single-phase and polyphase alternating-current service (for a description of these terms, see Section D of Rule 2). This schedule is not available to customers whose maximum demand exceeds 499 kW for three consecutive months, or to residential or agricultural service for which a residential or agricultural schedule is applicable.

Under Schedule A-10, there is a limit on the demand (the number of kilowatts (kW)) the customer may require from the PG&E system. If the customer's demand exceeds 499 kW for three consecutive months, the customer's account will be transferred to Schedule E-19 or E-20.

Customers who have received new hourly interval meters under the real-time metering program, funded by the California Energy Commission (CEC) pursuant to recently enacted California state legislation (Assembly Bill 1X 29), will pay the charges according to the terms and conditions in this schedule, and also the time-of-use (TOU) surcharges for Schedule A-10 specified under electric rate Schedule E-EPS, Section 2. These TOU surcharge rates will become effective for service rendered beginning on the customer's first regularly scheduled meter reading date which occurs after the new hourly interval metering system has been installed.

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Customers who wish to voluntarily pay the TOU surcharges for Schedule A-10 specified under electric rate Schedule E-EPS, Section 2, must have an hourly interval meter. Those customers who wish to pay the TOU surcharge rates but who have not received hourly interval meters under the CEC-funded real-time metering program must pay PG&E for the cost of purchasing and installing an hourly interval meter, together with applicable Income Tax Component of Contribution (ITCC) charges and the cost to operate and maintain the interval meter. Customers who elect to receive service on this basis must sign an Interval Meter Installation Service Agreement Form (79-984).

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The provisions of Schedule S—Standby Service Special Conditions 1 through 6 shall also apply to customers whose premises are regularly supplied in part (but not in whole) by electric energy from a nonutility source of supply. These customers will pay monthly reservation charges as specified under Section 1 of Schedule S in addition to all applicable Schedule A-10 charges.

TERRITORY: PG&E's entire service territory.

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**SCHEDULE A-10—MEDIUM GENERAL DEMAND-METERED SERVICE**  
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RATES:								(L)
	Transmission	Distribution	Public Purpose Programs	Generation	Nuclear Decom-missioning	FTA	Reliability Services	
<b>ENERGY CHARGE</b> (per kWh per month)								
Transmission Voltage Level								
Summer	—	\$0.00475	\$0.00297	\$0.07051	\$0.00036	\$0.01056	—	\$0.08915
Winter	—	\$0.00388	\$0.00297	\$0.05502	\$0.00036	\$0.01056	—	\$0.07279
Primary Voltage Level								
Summer	—	\$0.00986	\$0.00319	\$0.06514	\$0.00040	\$0.01056	—	\$0.08915
Winter	—	\$0.00805	\$0.00319	\$0.05059	\$0.00040	\$0.01056	—	\$0.07279
Secondary Voltage Level								
Summer	—	\$0.01007	\$0.00332	\$0.06478	\$0.00042	\$0.01056	—	\$0.08915
Winter	—	\$0.00822	\$0.00332	\$0.05027	\$0.00042	\$0.01056	—	\$0.07279
<b>DEMAND CHARGE</b> (per kW of maximum demand per month)								
Transmission Voltage Level								
Summer	\$2.65	\$0.06	—	(\$1.63)	—	—	\$0.87	\$1.95
Winter	\$0.66	\$0.01	—	(\$1.09)	—	—	\$0.87	\$0.45
Primary Voltage Level								
Summer	\$2.65	\$4.09	—	(\$2.11)	—	—	\$0.87	\$5.50
Winter	\$0.66	\$1.23	—	(\$1.11)	—	—	\$0.87	\$1.65
Secondary Voltage Level								
Summer	\$2.65	\$4.67	—	(\$1.49)	—	—	\$0.87	\$6.70
Winter	\$0.66	\$1.15	—	(\$1.03)	—	—	\$0.87	\$1.65
<b>CUSTOMER CHARGE</b> per meter per month								
	—	\$75.00	—	—	—	—	—	\$75.00
<b>TRANSMISSION REVENUE</b>								
<b>BALANCING ACCOUNT</b>								
<b>ADJUSTMENT RATE</b> per kWh per month								
	(\$0.00157)	—	—	\$0.00157	—	—	—	\$0.00000

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SCHEDULE A-10—MEDIUM GENERAL DEMAND-METERED SERVICE  
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**BILLING:** Nothing in this rate schedule prohibits a marketer or broker from negotiating with  
(Cont'd.) customers the method by which their customer will pay the CTC charge.

**RATE REDUCTION BOND CREDIT:** Small commercial customers served on this schedule receive a 10 percent credit on their bill based on the total bill as calculated for Bundled Service Customers prior to application of the EPS, by way of reduction to CTC. Only customers determined as eligible will receive the credit.

Additionally, customers eligible for the credit are obligated to pay a Fixed Transition Amount (FTA), also referred to as a Trust Transfer Amount (TTA), as described in Schedule E-RRB and defined in Preliminary Statement Part AS.

**CARE DISCOUNT:** Facilities which meet the eligibility criteria in Rule 19.2 or 19.3 are eligible for a California Alternate Rates for Energy discount under Schedule E-CARE. Customers will continue to receive the CARE discount through PG&E regardless of energy service provider. Customers will be billed as described in the BILLING section; and the CARE discount will be determined before any credit for Direct Access service

**DEFINITION OF TIME PERIODS:** Customers who have received new hourly interval meters under the real-time metering program funded by CEC, or who have voluntarily arranged for the installation of such meters, will pay TOU surcharges as specified under electric rate Schedule E-EPS, Section 2. (N)

Times of the year and times of the day for the TOU surcharge rates are defined as follows:

<b>SUMMER</b>	Period A (Service from May 1 through October 31):	
Peak:	12:00 noon. to 6:00 p.m.	Monday through Friday.
Partial-Peak	8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon AND 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (except Holidays).	
Off- Peak:	9:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m.	Monday through Friday
	All day	Saturday, Sunday, and holidays
<b>WINTER</b>	Period B (service from November 1 through April 30):	
Partial-Peak	8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.	Monday through Friday (except holidays).
Off-Peak	9:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m.	Monday through Friday (except holidays).
	All day	Saturday, Sunday, and holidays

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SCHEDULE A-10—MEDIUM GENERAL DEMAND-METERED SERVICE  
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DEFINITION OF  
TIME PERIODS:  
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HOLIDAYS: "Holidays" for the purposes of this rate schedule are New Year's Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. The dates will be those on which the holidays are legally observed.

CHANGE FROM SUMMER TO WINTER OR WINTER TO SUMER: When a billing month includes both summer and winter days, PG&E will calculate demand charges as follows. It will consider the applicable maximum demands for the summer and winter portions of the billing month separately, calculate a demand charge for each, and then apply the two according to the number of billing days each represents. NOTE: If the meter is read within one work day of the season changeover date (May 1 or November 1), PG&E will use only the rates and charges from the season having the greater number of days in the billing month. Workdays are Monday through Friday, inclusive.

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**Pacific Gas and Electric Company**  
San Francisco, California

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PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY  
INTERVAL METER INSTALLATION SERVICE AGREEMENT  
FORM NO. 79-984 (09/01)  
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Regulatory Relations

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