

December 19, 2001

**ADVICE 2181-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  
Oakley**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (the Company) 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.<sup>1</sup>

**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**

Ohara Avenue is being widened as a condition of development for Tract 6968 in the City of Oakley and Pacific Gas and Electric Company has been requested to relocate a portion of the Contra Costa - Balfour 60 kV power line found to be in conflict with the road-widening project. Four poles located between Nutmeg Drive and Carpenter Road will be relocated approximately 15 feet east of their current locations in order to accommodate the road widening. The total length of line that will be relocated as part of this project is 1,000 feet. Construction is expected to begin after February 2002 and should be completed before December 2002.

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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.

This project qualifies as exempt from Permit to Construct filing requirements pursuant to GO 131-D, Section III, Subsection B.1.c, which exempts, "The minor relocation of existing power line facilities up to 2,000 feet in length, or the intersetting of additional support structures between existing support structures."

Additionally, GO 131-D requires utilities to employ "no cost" and specified "low cost" measures to reduce public exposure to electric and magnetic fields (EMFs). Because there are no EMF mitigation measures available on this project that would meet the CPUC's benchmark of 4% or less of the total project cost, no "no cost" or "low cost" measures will be employed.

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

### **Protests**

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by filing a protest with the CPUC and the Company by **January 8, 2002**, at the following address:

Director, Energy Division  
California Public Utilities Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue, Fourth Floor  
San Francisco, California 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, California 94120  
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Les Guliasi  
Director, Regulatory Relations  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
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San Francisco, California 94177  
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Persons or groups may protest the proposed construction if they believe that the Company has incorrectly applied for an exemption or that the conditions set out in G.O. 131-D, Section III.B.2, exist.

**Effective Date**

The Company requests that this advice filing become effective on **January 28 2002**, 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.)

**Notice**

In accordance with General Order 96-A, Section III, Paragraph G, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and sent via U.S. mail to parties shown on the attached list. Address change requests 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: Parties Listed in G.O. 131-D, Paragraphs B.1 and B.2

bcc: Leo DeLong  
David Kraska  
Jo Lynn Lambert  
Robert Masuoka  
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Steve Willoughby