

July 1, 2002

**Advice 2255-E**  
**(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U39 E)**

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject:**      **Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Relocation of a 70 Kilovolt Wood Pole Line Near the City of Kettlemen, County of Kings**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (the Company) hereby submits notice pursuant to General Order (G.O.) 131-D, Section XI, 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.

**Background**

The Company has been requested by Caltrans to relocate a portion of the existing Henrietta-Tulare Lake 70 kilovolt (kV) wood pole line near the intersection of Quail Avenue and Highway 41 near Kettlemen City in the County of Kings. The existing wood pole line is located within both the Caltrans right of way and existing easements. A new easement adjacent to the Highway 41 right of way has been acquired by Caltrans to accommodate the relocation of the wood pole line. PG&E will relocate approximately 1250 feet (6 poles) of the existing line just west of Highway 41 and south of Quail Avenue. The relocation

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<sup>1</sup> The Company 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, the Company 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.

is necessary to accommodate a Caltrans road-widening project. Construction is scheduled for August 2002 and will be completed soon thereafter.

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

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). The following measures are proposed for this project: **The Company will install taller poles than normal to reduce the EMF fields at ground level.**

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 **July 22, 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  
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Director, Regulatory Relations  
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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 Section III.B.2 of G.O. 131-D exist.

### **Effective Date**

The Company requests that this advice filing become effective on **August 9, 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 G.O. 96-A, Section III, Paragraph G, the Company 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. These parties are identified in the "Notice Distribution List" included in Attachment I. Address change requests should be directed to Rose Abao at (415) 973-2218. 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: Rick Cowin  
Michael Herz  
David Kraska  
Jo Lynn Lambert  
Mike Rose  
Robert Stiving  
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