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Advice Letter 2518-E, 2518-E-A

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Subject: 2003 general rate case – revisions to Rule 11 – change language re: returned check charge

Dear Ms Smith:

Advice Letter 2518-E, 2518-E-A is effective June 7, 2004. A copy of the advice letter is returned herewith for your records.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Clanon".

Paul Clanon, Director
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June 7, 2004

Advice 2518-E
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: 2003 General Rate Case – Decision 04-05-055

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits for filing revisions to its electric tariffs. The affected tariff sheets are listed on the enclosed Attachment I.

Purpose

This advice filing requests Commission approval of revisions to PG&E's electric tariffs to incorporate the Diablo Canyon Property Tax Balancing Account, the returned check charge, and the costs of videotaping the meetings of the Diablo Canyon Independent Safety Committee authorized by the Commission in Decision 04-05-055 (Decision) in PG&E's 2003 General Rate Case (GRC).

Tariff Revisions

Ordering Paragraph 3 of the Decision adopts the Generation Settlement Agreement filed with the Commission on July 31, 2003, by PG&E, ORA, TURN, the City and County of San Francisco, and Aglet. As part of that Settlement, PG&E agreed to re-institute Preliminary Statement Part AN – Diablo Canyon Property Tax Balancing Account (DCPTBA). Ordering Paragraph 8 of the Decision authorizes PG&E to increase the returned check charge to \$8.00. To reflect the change authorized by the Decision, PG&E has revised Electric Rule 9-- *Rendering and Payment of Bills*, Section H, to reflect the newly authorized returned check charge. Ordering Paragraph 9 of the Decision adopts the Stipulation of PG&E, the Diablo Canyon Independent Safety Committee (DCISC), ORA, TURN, the California Energy Commission, and Mothers for Peace regarding certain activities of the DCISC. PG&E has revised Preliminary Statement Part CG - *Utility Generation Balancing Account* (UGBA) to include the costs of videotaping the meetings of the Diablo Canyon Independent Safety Committee as described in the Stipulation.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by sending a letter by **June 27, 2004**, 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:

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Protests also should be sent by e-mail and facsimile to Mr. Jerry Royer, Energy Division, as shown above, and by U.S. mail to Mr. Royer at the above address.

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Effective Date

This filing is made to implement changes previously authorized by the Commission. Accordingly, PG&E requests that this advice filing become effective on the date filed.

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 the parties on the service list for Application 02-11-017, PG&E's 2003 GRC. Address changes should be directed to Sharon Tatai at (415) 973-2788. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at:

<http://www.pge.com/tariffs>

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Attachments

cc: A.02-11-017

Cal P.U.C Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.
21658-E	Preliminary Statement Part AN – Diablo Canyon Property Tax Balancing Account	14432-E
21659-E	Preliminary Statement Part CG – Utility Generation Balancing Account	21490-E
21660-E	Rule 9 – Rendering and Payment of Bills	19310-E
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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT
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AN. DIABLO CANYON PROPERTY TAX BALANCING ACCOUNT (DCPTBA)

1. PURPOSE: The purpose of the DCPTBA, which is established pursuant to Decision 04-05-055, is to record the difference between actual and authorized costs associated with Diablo Canyon property taxes. (T)
2. APPLICABILITY: The DCPTBA shall apply to all customer classes, except for those specifically excluded by the Commission.
3. DCPTBA RATES: The DCPTBA does not currently have a rate component.
4. ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE: PG&E shall maintain the DCPTBA by making entries at the end of each month as follows:
 - a. A debit entry equal to the Diablo Canyon property taxes recorded during the month;
 - b. A credit entry equal to one-twelfth of the annual authorized Diablo Canyon property taxes, pursuant to Decision 04-05-055; (T)
 - c. A debit or credit entry, as appropriate, equal to the interest on the average balance in the account at the beginning of the month and the balance in the account after entries 4.a. and 4.b. above, at a rate equal to one-twelfth the interest rate on three-month Commercial Paper for the previous month, as reported in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, G.13 or its successor.

At the end of each calendar year starting in 1997, PG&E will transfer the balance in the DCPTBA to the transition cost recovery mechanism ultimately authorized by the Commission.

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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT
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CG. UTILITY GENERATION BALANCING ACCOUNT (UGBA)

1. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Utility Generation Balancing Account (UGBA) is to record and recover the authorized revenue requirements associated with PG&E-owned generation, including capital and related non-fuel operating and maintenance expenses. Until generation rates reflect the 2004 authorized revenue requirement consistent with the 2004 UGBA revenue requirements underlying the rate reduction adopted in D.04-02-062, PG&E will reduce UGBA revenue by the amount of imputed revenues in the Distribution Revenue Adjustment Mechanism, Public Purpose Programs Revenue Adjustment Mechanism and Nuclear Decommissioning Adjustment Mechanism, to mitigate a large overcollection in the UGBA.
2. **APPLICABILITY:** The Utility Generation Balancing Account (UGBA) shall apply to all customer classes, except for those specifically excluded by the Commission.
3. **REVISION DATES:** Disposition of amounts in the UGBA shall be as determined in the Electric Annual True-up Proceeding or any other proceedings authorized by the Commission.
4. **GENERATION RATES:** The generation rates are included in the effective rates set forth in each rate schedule.
5. **ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES:** The CPUC jurisdictional portion of all entries shall be made at the end of each month as follows:
 - a. A credit entry equal to the revenue from the generation rates less the recorded revenues from the: (1) Energy Resource Recovery Account (as defined in Part I of PG&E's electric Preliminary Statement (PS)), (2) Power Charge Collection Balancing Account (as defined in Part I of PG&E's electric PS), (3) Regulatory Asset Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (as defined in Part I of PG&E's electric PS), (4) Modified Transition Cost Balancing Account (as defined in Part I of PG&E's electric PS); (5) Regulatory Asset Tax Balancing Account (as defined in Part I of PG&E's electric PS); (6) Headroom Account (as defined in Part I of PG&E's electric PS); (7) Procurement Transactions Auditing Account (as defined in Part I of PG&E's electric PS); and (8) DWR Franchise Fees and Uncollectibles (as defined in Part I of PG&E's electric PS);
 - b. A debit entry equal to the sum of entry 5.e. in the Distribution Revenue Adjustment Mechanism, entry 5.c. in the Public Purpose Program Revenue Adjustment Mechanism, and entry 5.c. in the Nuclear Decommissioning Adjustment Mechanism;
 - c. A debit entry equal to the annual authorized revenue requirements associated with PG&E's owned generation divided by twelve;
 - d. A debit entry equal to the costs of providing video tapes of the Diablo Canyon Independent Safety Committee meetings; (N)
(N)
 - e. A credit entry equal to one-twelfth of the adopted annual on-going CTC portion of PG&E's revenue requirement associated with PG&E's owned generation for serving the Western Area Power Authority (WAPA) load; and (T)
 - f. An entry equal to interest on the average balance in the account at the beginning of the month and the balance after the above entries, at a rate equal to one-twelfth of the interest rate on three-month Commercial Paper for the previous month, as reported in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, H.15 or its successor. (T)



RULE 9—RENDERING AND PAYMENT OF BILLS

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G. BALANCED PAYMENT PLAN (Cont'd.)

- 6. BPP amounts will be reviewed three times a year or at other times due to a rate change, and adjusted if required to reduce the likelihood of a large imbalance between actual charges and BPP charges. Customers will be notified of any change in the BPP amount by bill message.
- 7. Participants will be removed from the plan if a bill containing a prior unpaid BPP amount becomes delinquent as defined in Rule 11.

H. RETURNED CHECK CHARGE

If a check, tendered in payment of amounts owing PG&E, is not honored by a bank and is returned to PG&E unpaid, PG&E will add to the customer's bill a charge of \$8.00 for processing each such returned check. Where service is subject to discontinuance under Rule 11, the returned check charge shall be included in the total amount due and payable.

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I. FIELD COLLECTION CHARGE

PG&E may require payment of a Field Collection Charge of \$10.00 when an authorized PG&E representative makes a field call to a customer's premises to discontinue electric service in accordance with Rule 11 for nonpayment of a past due billing for service. PG&E may also require payment of the \$10.00 Field Collection Charge when an authorized PG&E representative makes a field call to discontinue electric service for nonpayment of a credit deposit that was requested in accordance with Rule 6.

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