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Advice Letter 2572-E

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Subject: Submission of Notice of Construction for the Construction of the Rio Oso-Tesla
230 Kilovolt Tower Relocation Project in the County of San Joaquin

Dear Ms de la Torre:

Advice Letter 2572-E is effective November 29, 2004. A copy of the advice letter is sent herewith for your records.

Sincerely,

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

Director
Energy Division



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**Advice 2572-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, Rio Oso-Tesla 230 Kilovolt Tower
Relocation Project in the County of San Joaquin**

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.

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 GO 131-D, Section XI, Subsections B and C.

Background

Pacific Gas and Electric Company has been requested by the developer of Spanos Park West to relocate an existing 230kV tower 85 feet south to avoid a conflict with proposed subdivision improvements. The proposed structure will be a self-supporting tubular steel pole. Construction is scheduled to begin in December 2004, or as soon as possible thereafter, and the new structure is planned to be in operation in January 2005, or as soon as possible after project completion.

This project qualifies as exempt from Permit to Construct filing requirements pursuant to G.O. 131-D, Section III, which exempts;

- "the replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures" and
- "the minor relocation of existing power line facilities."

Pacific Gas and Electric Company will employ "no cost" and specified "low cost" measures to reduce public exposure to EMF in accordance with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Decision 93-11-013 and Pacific Gas and Electric Company's "EMF Design Guidelines of New Electrical Facilities: Transmission, Substation, and Distribution." 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 **November 9, 2004**, which is 20 days after the filing date, 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:

David T. Kraska
Attorney, Law Department
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
P.O. Box 7442
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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 identified in G.O. 131-D, Section III.B.2, exist.

Effective Date

The Company requests that this advice filing become effective on **November 29, 2004**, which is 40 days after the date of filing. (In accordance with GO 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 de la Torre at (415) 973-4716. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at:

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

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Director - Regulatory Relations

Attachments

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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NAME: Rio Oso-Tesla 230kV Tower Relocation Project
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 2572-E

Pacific Gas and Electric Company has been requested by the developer of Spanos Park West to relocate an existing 230kV tower 85 feet south to avoid a conflict with proposed subdivision improvements. The proposed structure will be a self-supporting tubular steel pole. Construction is scheduled to begin in December 2004, or as soon as possible thereafter, and the new structure is planned to be in operation in January 2005, or as soon as possible after project completion.

- **Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF):** Pacific Gas and Electric Company will employ "no cost" and specified "low cost" measures to reduce public exposure to EMF in accordance with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Decision 93-11-013 and Pacific Gas and Electric Company's "EMF Design Guidelines of New Electrical Facilities: Transmission, Substation, and Distribution." 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.

Exemption from CPUC Authority: CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, exempts projects meeting specific conditions from the CPUC's requirement to file an application requesting authority to construct. Pacific Gas and Electric Company believes this project qualifies for the following exemptions:

- "the replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures" and
- "the minor relocation of existing power line facilities."

Public Review Process: Persons or groups may protest the proposed construction if they believe that Pacific Gas and Electric Company has incorrectly applied for an exemption or that the conditions set out in Section III.B.2 of General Order 131-D exist;

- a. There is reasonable possibility that the activity may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies; or
- c.b. The cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time, is significant; or
- e.c. There is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.

Protests should include the following:

1. Your name, mailing address and daytime telephone number.
2. Reference to the CPUC Advice Letter Number and Project Name.
3. A clear description of the reason for the protest.
- 5.4. Whether you believe that evidentiary hearings are necessary to resolve factual disputes.

Protests for this project must be filed by November 9, 2004, at the following address:

Director, Energy Division
 California Public Utilities Commission
 505 Van Ness Avenue, Fourth Floor
 San Francisco, California 94102

With a copy mailed to:

David Kraska, Law Department
 Pacific Gas and Electric Company
 P.O. Box 7442
 San Francisco, California 94120

Pacific Gas and Electric Company must respond within five business days of receipt and serve copies of its response on each protestant and the Energy Division. Within 30 days after Pacific Gas and Electric Company has submitted its response, the Executive Director of the CPUC will send you a copy of an Executive Resolution granting or denying the request and stating the reasons for the decision.

Assistance in Filing a Protest: For assistance in filing a protest, contact the CPUC Public Advisor in San Francisco at (415) 703-2074 or 1-1-866-849-8390 (toll-free); TTY# (415) 703-5258 (toll free); or at public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Additional Project Information: To obtain further information on the proposed project, please call Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Project Information Line at (415) 973-5530.

Notice Distribution List

**Rio Oso-Tesla 230 kilovolt Tower Relocation Project
City of Stockton, County of San Joaquin**

Advice 2572-E

Energy Commission

Mr. Steve Larson, Executive Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

Mr. Bob Therleksen, Deputy Director
Energy Facilities Siting & Environmental Protection Division
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

City of Stockton

Mr. James Glaser
Director, Community Development
345 N. El Dorado St.
Stockton, California 95202
(209) 937-8444

Newspapers

Stockton Record
P.O. Box 900
Stockton, CA 95201-0900
(209) 943-1112

**PG&E Gas and Electric Advice
Filing List
General Order 96-A, Section III(G)**

ABAG Power Pool	Department of Water & Power City	Northern California Power Agency
Accent Energy	Dept of the Air Force	Office of Energy Assessments
Aglet Consumer Alliance	DGS Natural Gas Services	Palo Alto Muni Utilities
Agnews Developmental Center	DMM Customer Services	PG&E National Energy Group
Ahmed, Ali	Douglass & Liddell	Pinnacle CNG Company
Alcantar & Elsesser	Downey, Brand, Seymour & Rohwer	PITCO
Anderson Donovan & Poole P.C.	Duke Energy	Plurimi, Inc.
Applied Power Technologies	Duke Energy North America	PPL EnergyPlus, LLC
APS Energy Services Co Inc	Duncan, Virgil E.	Price, Roy
Arter & Hadden LLP	Dutcher, John	Product Development Dept
Avista Corp	Dynegy Inc.	R. M. Hairston & Company
Barkovich & Yap, Inc.	Ellison Schneider	R. W. Beck & Associates
BART	Energy Law Group LLP	Recon Research
Bartle Wells Associates	Energy Management Services, LLC	Regional Cogeneration Service
Blue Ridge Gas	Enron Energy Services	RMC Lonestar
Bohannon Development Co	Exelon Energy Ohio, Inc	Sacramento Municipal Utility District
BP Energy Company	Exeter Associates	SCD Energy Solutions
Braun & Associates	Foster Farms	Seattle City Light
C & H Sugar Co.	Foster, Wheeler, Martinez	Sempra
CA Bldg Industry Association	Franciscan Mobilehome	Sempra Energy
CA Cotton Ginners & Growers Assoc.	Future Resources Associates, Inc	Sequoia Union HS Dist
CA League of Food Processors	G. A. Krause & Assoc	SESCO
CA Water Service Group	Gas Transmission Northwest Corporation	Sierra Pacific Power Company
California Energy Commission	GLJ Energy Publications	Silicon Valley Power
California Farm Bureau Federation	Goodin, MacBride, Squeri, Schlotz &	Simpson Paper Company
California Gas Acquisition Svcs	Hanna & Morton	Smurfit Stone Container Corp
California ISO	Heeg, Peggy A.	Southern California Edison
Calpine	Hogan Manufacturing, Inc	SPURR
Calpine Corp	House, Lon	St. Paul Assoc
Calpine Gilroy Cogen	Imperial Irrigation District	Stanford University
Cambridge Energy Research Assoc	Integrated Utility Consulting Group	Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan
Cameron McKenna	International Power Technology	Tabors Caramanis & Associates
Cardinal Cogen	Interstate Gas Services, Inc.	Tansev and Associates
Cellnet Data Systems	J. R. Wood, Inc	Tecogen, Inc
Chevron Texaco	JTM, Inc	TFS Energy
Chevron USA Production Co.	Kaiser Cement Corp	TJ Cross Engineers
Childress, David A.	Korea Elec Power Corp	Transwestern Pipeline Co
City of Glendale	Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps	Turlock Irrigation District
City of Healdsburg	Marcus, David	U S Borax, Inc
City of Palo Alto	Masonite Corporation	United Cogen Inc.
City of Redding	Matthew V. Brady & Associates	URM Groups
CLECA Law Office	Maynor, Donald H.	Utility Cost Management LLC
Constellation New Energy	McKenzie & Assoc	Utility Resource Network
Cooperative Community Energy	McKenzie & Associates	Wellhead Electric Company
CPUC	Meek, Daniel W.	Western Hub Properties, LLC
Creative Technology	Mirant California, LLC	White & Case
Cross Border Inc	Modesto Irrigation Dist	WMA
Crossborder Inc	Morrison & Foerster	
CSC Energy Services	Morse Richard Weisenmiller & Assoc.	
Davis, Wright Tremaine LLP	Navigant Consulting	
Davis, Wright, Tremaine, LLP	New United Motor Mfg, Inc	
Defense Fuel Support Center	Norris & Wong Associates	
Department of the Army	North Coast Solar Resources	