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Advice Letter 2574-E

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Subject: General Order 131-D, Notice of Proposed Construction – Relocation of Oro Loma Canal
#1 70 kV Power Line for Meadow Lands Unit 3 Phase 1 (Wards Road)

Dear Ms. de la Torre:

Advice Letter 2574-E is effective December 8, 2004. A copy of the advice letter is returned herewith for your records.

Sincerely,

Sean H. Gallagher, Director
Energy Division

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**Advice 2574-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 Oro Loma-Canal #1 70 Kilovolt
Power Line For Meadow Lands Unit 3 Phase 1 (Ward Road)**

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 G.O. 131-D, Section XI.

Background

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has been requested by the developer of housing tract Meadow Lands Unit 3 Phase 1 to relocate 9 poles in the existing Oro Loma-Canal #1 70 kilovolt power line to a new location within an existing franchise and easement located in the City of Los Banos, Merced County. The power line and easement will be relocated to allow improvements to be made to Ward Road in conjunction with the housing tract. PG&E will replace six existing 60 foot poles with six approximately 70 foot poles, one 70 pole with one approximately 70 foot pole, and one 70 foot pole with one approximately 80 foot pole, relocated approximately 52 feet westerly along the easterly boundary of Ward Road beginning about 500 feet south of San Luis Street and extending to Snow Goose Drive. Work is scheduled to commence in February 2005, or as soon thereafter as possible, and to be completed by May 2005 or as soon thereafter as possible.

- This project qualifies as exempt from Permit to Construct filing requirements, pursuant to G.O. 131-D, Section III, Subsection B.1.g, which exempts, "power line facilities or substations to be located in an existing franchise, road-widening setback easement, or public utility easement; or in a utility corridor designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies for which a final Negative Declaration or EIR finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts.

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:

- Poles will be five feet taller than otherwise required in order to reduce magnetic field strength 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 **November 18, 2004**, 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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Attorney, Law Department
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
P.O. Box 7442
San Francisco, CA 94105
Facsimile (415) 973-0516

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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.

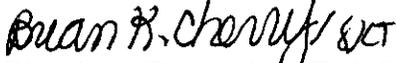
Effective Date

The Company requests that this advice filing become effective on **December 8, 2004**, 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, PG&E 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>


Director-- Regulatory Relations

Attachments

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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NAME: Relocation of Oro Loma-Canal #1 70 Kilovolt Power Line For Meadow Lands Unit 3 Phase 1 (Ward Road)
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 2574-E

Proposed Project: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has been requested by the developer of housing tract Meadow Lands Unit 3 Phase 1 to relocate 9 poles in the existing Oro Loma-Canal # 1 70 kilovolt power line to a new location within an existing franchise and easement located in the City of Los Banos, Merced County. The power line and easement will be relocated to allow improvements to be made to Ward Road in conjunction with the housing tract. PG&E will replace six existing 60 foot poles with six approximately 70 foot poles, one 70 pole with one approximately 70 foot pole, and one 70 foot pole with one approximately 80 foot pole, relocated approximately 52 feet westerly along the easterly boundary of Ward Road beginning about 500 feet south of San Luis Street and extending to Snow Goose Drive. Work is scheduled to commence in February 2005, or as soon thereafter as possible, and to be completed by May 2005 or as soon thereafter as possible.

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." The following measure is proposed for this project:

- Poles will be five feet taller than otherwise required in order to reduce magnetic field strength at ground level.

Exemption from CPUC Authority: CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, B.1, 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 exemption:

- g) power line facilities or substations to be located in an existing franchise, road-widening setback easement, or public utility easement; or in a utility corridor designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies for which a final Negative Declaration or EIR finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts.

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 have an 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
- b. The cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time, is significant; or
- 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.
4. Whether you believe that evidentiary hearings are necessary to resolve factual disputes.

Protests for this project must be filed by November 18, 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 1-866-849-8390 (toll-free); or TTY# (415) 703.5258 (toll-free); or 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

**Relocation of Oro Loma-Canal #1 70 Kilovolt Power Line
For Meadow Lands Unit 3 Phase 1 (Ward Road)**

Advice 2574-E

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

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CA Cotton Ginners & Growers Assoc.
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CA Water Service Group
California Energy Commission
California Farm Bureau Federation
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Calpine Gilroy Cogen
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Franciscan Mobilehome
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Gas Transmission Northwest Corporation
GLJ Energy Publications
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Integrated Utility Consulting Group
International Power Technology
J. R. Wood, Inc
JTM, Inc
Kaiser Cement Corp
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Marcus, David
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Morrison & Foerster
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New United Motor Mfg, Inc
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PG&E National Energy Group
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Sequoia Union HS Dist
SESCO
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