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Advice Letter 2642-E

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Subject: Templeton-Atascadero-San Luis Obispo 70 kV power line re-rate in the City of Atascadero, County of San Luis Obispo

Dear Ms de la Torre:

Advice Letter 2642-E is effective May 4, 2005. A copy of the advice letter is returned herewith for your records.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. H. Gallagher".

Sean H. Gallagher, Director
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March 25, 2005

**Advice 2642-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 construction of Templeton-Atascadero-San Luis Obispo 70kV
Power Line Re-Rate in the City of Atascadero, County of San Luis
Obispo**

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

The Company proposes to qualify (re-rate) the Templeton-Atascadero-San Luis Obispo 70kV Power Line in and near the City of Atascadero, County of San Luis Obispo, to carry increased electric currents. In order to eliminate possible ground to conductor clearance violations, the Company must replace four wood poles with four new wood poles approximately 10 to 20 feet taller. Three of the four poles are located in Atascadero along Monterey Road just north of San Anselmo Road. The other pole is located just south of the Atascadero city limits near Santa Margarita Road and State Highway 101. Work will commence in April 2005, or as soon thereafter as possible, and will be completed by June 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, Subsections B.1.g, which exempt the following:

- g) power line facilities or substations to be located in an existing franchise road-widening setback easement, or public utility easement.

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:

- These poles will be raised in order to reduce public exposure to EMF 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 **April 14, 2005**, 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
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P.O. Box 7442
San Francisco, California 94120
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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 **May 4, 2005**, 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 de la Torre at (415) 973-4716. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at:

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Cherry" followed by a stylized flourish.

Director -- Regulatory Relations

Attachments

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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NAME: Templeton-Atascadero-San Luis Obispo 70kV Power Line Re-Rate
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 2642-E

Proposed Project: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) proposes to qualify (re-rate) the Templeton-Atascadero-San Luis Obispo 70kV Power Line in and near the City of Atascadero, County of San Luis Obispo, to carry increased electric currents. In order to eliminate possible ground to conductor clearance violations, PG&E must replace four wood poles with four new wood poles approximately 10 to 20 feet taller. Three of the four poles are located in Atascadero along Monterey Road just north of San Anselmo Road. The other pole is located just south of the Atascadero city limits near Santa Margarita Road and State Highway 101. Work will commence in April 2005, or as soon thereafter as possible, and will be completed by June 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:

- These poles will be raised in order to reduce public exposure to EMF 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.

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 April 14, 2005, 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 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

Templeton-Atascadero-San Luis Obispo 70kV Power Line Re-Rate Advice 2642-E

Energy Commission

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1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

Mr. Terry O'Brien, Deputy Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

County of San Luis Obispo

Department of Planning and Building
Attn: Victor Holanda, Director
County Government Center
San Luis Obispo, Ca 93408

City of Atascadero

Community Development Department
Attn: Warren Frace, Director
6905 El Camino Real, Suite 6
Atascadero, CA 93422

Newspaper

Atascadero News

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

ABAG Power Pool	DGS Natural Gas Services	Office of Energy Assessments
Accent Energy	DMM Customer Services	Palo Alto Muni Utilities
Aglet Consumer Alliance	Douglass & Liddell	PG&E National Energy Group
Agnews Developmental Center	Downey, Brand, Seymour & Rohwer	Pinnacle CNG Company
Ahmed, Ali	Duke Energy	PITCO
Alcantar & Elsesser	Duke Energy North America	Plurimi, Inc.
Anderson Donovan & Poole P.C.	Duncan, Virgil E.	PPL EnergyPlus, LLC
Applied Power Technologies	Dutcher, John	Praxair, Inc.
APS Energy Services Co Inc	Dynegy Inc.	Price, Roy
Arter & Hadden LLP	Ellison Schneider	Product Development Dept
Avista Corp	Energy Law Group LLP	R. M. Hairston & Company
Barkovich & Yap, Inc.	Energy Management Services, LLC	R. W. Beck & Associates
BART	Enron Energy Services	Recon Research
Bartle Wells Associates	Exelon Energy Ohio, Inc	Regional Cogeneration Service
Blue Ridge Gas	Exeter Associates	RMC Lonestar
Bohannon Development Co	Foster Farms	Sacramento Municipal Utility District
BP Energy Company	Foster, Wheeler, Martinez	SCD Energy Solutions
Braun & Associates	Franciscan Mobilehome	Seattle City Light
C & H Sugar Co.	Future Resources Associates, Inc	Sempra
CA Bldg Industry Association	G. A. Krause & Assoc	Sempra Energy
CA Cotton Ginners & Growers Assoc.	Gas Transmission Northwest Corporation	Sequoia Union HS Dist
CA League of Food Processors	GLJ Energy Publications	SESCO
CA Water Service Group	Goodin, MacBride, Squeri, Schlotz &	Sierra Pacific Power Company
California Energy Commission	Hanna & Morton	Silicon Valley Power
California Farm Bureau Federation	Heeg, Peggy A.	Simpson Paper Company
California Gas Acquisition Svcs	Hitachi Global Storage Technologies	Smurfit Stone Container Corp
California ISO	Hogan Manufacturing, Inc	Southern California Edison
Calpine	House, Lon	SPURR
Calpine Corp	Imperial Irrigation District	St. Paul Assoc
Calpine Gilroy Cogen	Integrated Utility Consulting Group	Stanford University
Cambridge Energy Research Assoc	International Power Technology	Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan
Cameron McKenna	Interstate Gas Services, Inc.	Tabors Caramanis & Associates
Cardinal Cogen	J. R. Wood, Inc	Tansev and Associates
Cellnet Data Systems	JTM, Inc	Tecogen, Inc
Chevron USA Production Co.	Kaiser Cement Corp	TFS Energy
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	
Department of Water & Power City	Northern California Power Agency	