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November 28, 2006

Advice Letter 2852-E

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Subject: Fresno Cogen 70kV Tap Reconductoring Project, Fresno County

Dear Ms. De La Torre:

Advice Letter 2852-E is effective July 29, 2006. A copy of the advice letter is returned herewith for your records.

Sincerely,

Sean H. Gallagher, Director
Energy Division

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June 29, 2006

Advice 2852-E
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: **Fresno Cogen 70kV Tap Reconductoring Project, Fresno County**

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 plans to replace the existing wires with new wires and 34 wood poles with new wood poles along the existing Fresno Cogen 70 kilovolt (kV) Tap power line in Fresno County. The project begins at a junction with the Helm- Kerman 70kV transmission line on West American Road, and progresses approximately 3.2 miles south along an unimproved road to the Fresno Cogen Power Plant. Replaced poles will be approximately 10 feet taller than existing poles to reduce EMF at ground level. Work is scheduled to begin in September, 2006, or as soon thereafter as possible, and will be completed by November, 2006, 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.b, and g, which exempts the following:

b) the replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures.

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). PG&E will employ a low cost method of designing poles 10 feet taller when replacing poles on the project.

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 should do so by sending a letter via postal mail and facsimile by **July 19, 2006,** which is 20 days after the filing date, at the following address:

CPUC Energy Division
Attn: Tariff Unit, 4th Floor
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102
Facsimile: (415) 703-2200
E-Mail: jjr@cpuc.ca.gov and jnj@cpuc.ca.gov

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
San Francisco, California 94120
Facsimile: (415) 973-0516

Brian K. Cherry
Director, Regulatory Relations
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
P.O. Box 770000, Mail Code B10C
San Francisco, California 94177
Facsimile: (415) 973-7226
E-Mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

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 **July 29, 2006**, which is 30 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

Brian K. Cherry /RDT

Senior Director -- Regulatory Relations

Attachments

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

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY
ENERGY UTILITY

MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)

Company name/CPUC Utility No. **Pacific Gas and Electric Company (ID U39)**

Utility type:
☑ ELC ☐ GAS
☐ PLC ☐ HEAT ☐ WATER

Contact Person: Michelle Brown
Phone #: (415) 973-4662
E-mail: mtt3@pge.com

EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

ELC = Electric GAS = Gas
PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat WATER = Water

(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: **2852-E**

Subject of AL: General Order 131-D, Fresno Cogen 70kV Tap Reconductoring Project, Fresno County

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): **Transmission Lines**

AL filing type: ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annual ☑ One-Time ☐ Other _____

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: N/A

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL[1]: _____

Resolution Required? ☐ Yes ☑ No

Requested effective date: **July 29, 2006** No. of tariff sheets: N/A

Estimated system annual revenue effect: (%): _____

Estimated system average rate effect (%): _____

When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).

Tariff schedules affected: N/A

Service affected and changes proposed[1]: _____

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: N/A

Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this filing, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

CPUC Energy Division
Attention: Tariff Unit, 4th Floor
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
jjr@cpuc.ca.gov and jnj@cpuc.ca.gov

Pacific Gas and Electric Company
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[1] Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NAME: Fresno Cogen 70kV Tap Reconductoring Project, Fresno County
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 2852-E

Proposed Project: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) plans to replace the existing wires with new wires and 34 wood poles with new wood poles along the existing Fresno Cogen 70 kilovolt (kV) Tap power line in Fresno County. The project begins at a junction with the Helm-Kerman 70kV transmission line on West American Road, and progresses approximately 3.2 miles south along an unimproved road to the Fresno Cogen Power Plant. Replaced poles will be approximately 10 feet taller than existing poles to reduce EMF at ground level. Work is scheduled to begin in September, 2006, or as soon thereafter as possible, and will be completed by November, 2006, or as soon thereafter as possible.

Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF): PG&E 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." PG&E will implement the low cost measure of installing 34 poles approximately 10 feet taller than existing poles on this project in order to reduce EMF at ground level.

Exemption from CPUC Permit Requirement: 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. PG&E believes this project qualifies for the following exemptions:

b) the replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures.

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 July 19, 2006, at the following address:

CPUC Energy Division
Attn: Tariff Unit, 4th Floor
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
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

Fresno Cogen 70kV Tap Reconductoring Project

Advice 2852-E

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

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Aglet Consumer Alliance
Agnews Developmental Center
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Alcantar & Elsesser
Ancillary Services Coalition
Anderson Donovan & Poole P.C.
Applied Power Technologies
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BP Energy Company
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CA Cotton Ginners & Growers Assoc.
CA League of Food Processors
CA Water Service Group
California Energy Commission
California Farm Bureau Federation
California Gas Acquisition Svcs
California ISO
Calpine
Calpine Corp
Calpine Gilroy Cogen
Cambridge Energy Research Assoc
Cameron McKenna
Cardinal Cogen
Cellnet Data Systems
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Department of the Army
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Douglass & Liddell
Downey, Brand, Seymour & Rohwer
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Duke Energy North America
Duncan, Virgil E.
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Dynegy Inc.
Ellison Schneider
Energy Law Group LLP
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Exelon Energy Ohio, Inc
Exeter Associates
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Foster, Wheeler, Martinez
Franciscan Mobilehome
Future Resources Associates, Inc
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Gas Transmission Northwest Corporation
GLJ Energy Publications
Goodin, MacBride, Squeri, Schlotz &
Hanna & Morton
Heeg, Peggy A.
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Hogan Manufacturing, Inc
House, Lon
Imperial Irrigation District
Integrated Utility Consulting Group
International Power Technology
Interstate Gas Services, Inc.
IUCG/Sunshine Design LLC
J. R. Wood, Inc
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Kaiser Cement Corp
Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps
Manatt, Phelps & Phillips
Marcus, David
Matthew V. Brady & Associates
Maynor, Donald H.
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Meek, Daniel W.
Mirant California, LLC
Modesto Irrigation Dist
Morrison & Foerster
Morse Richard Weisenmiller & Assoc.
Navigant Consulting
New United Motor Mfg, Inc
Norris & Wong Associates
North Coast Solar Resources
Northern California Power Agency
Office of Energy Assessments
OnGrid Solar
Palo Alto Muni Utilities
PG&E National Energy Group
Pinnacle CNG Company
PITCO
Plurimi, Inc.
PPL EnergyPlus, LLC
Praxair, Inc.
Price, Roy
Product Development Dept
R. M. Hairston & Company
R. W. Beck & Associates
Recon Research
Regional Cogeneration Service
RMC Lonestar
Sacramento Municipal Utility District
SCD Energy Solutions
Seattle City Light
Sempra
Sempra Energy
Sequoia Union HS Dist
SESCO
Sierra Pacific Power Company
Silicon Valley Power
Smurfit Stone Container Corp
Southern California Edison
SPURR
St. Paul Assoc
Stanford University
Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan
Tabors Caramanis & Associates
Tecogen, Inc
TFS Energy
Transcanada
Turlock Irrigation District
U S Borax, Inc
United Cogen Inc.
URM Groups
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