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May 31, 2007

Advice Letter 3039-E

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77 Beale Street, Room 1088
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San Francisco, CA 94105

Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the San Miquel-Paso Robles 70 kV Power Line Reconductor Project, San Luis Obispo County

Dear Ms. de la Torre:

Advice Letter 3039-E is effective May 20, 2007. A copy of the advice letter is returned herewith for your records.

Sincerely,

Sean H. Gallagher, Director
Energy Division

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April 20, 2007

**Advice 3039-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 San Miguel-Paso Robles 70 Kilovolt Power Line Reconductor
Project, San Luis Obispo 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

Due to increased electrical demand in the area between San Miguel and Paso Robles, the Company proposes to replace the wires on an existing electric distribution line running generally along North River Road in San Luis Obispo County extending from the Company's San Miguel Substation (located near the town of San Miguel) southerly approximately 5.4 miles. In addition, the Company will replace approximately 75 wood poles with new wood poles. The new poles, which will support both distribution and existing transmission lines, will be approximately 10 feet taller than the existing poles. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in May, 2007, or as soon thereafter as possible, and is scheduled for completion in July, 2007, 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 exempt 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; 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.

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 letter sent via U.S. mail, by facsimile or electronically, any of which must be received no later than **May 10, 2007**, which is 20 days after the date of this filing. Protests should be mailed to:

CPUC Energy Division
Tariff Files, Room 4005
DMS Branch
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102

Facsimile: (415) 703-2200
E-mail: jjj@cpuc.ca.gov and mas@cpuc.ca.gov

Copies of protests also should be mailed to the attention of the Director, Energy Division, Room 4004, at the address shown above.

The protest also should be sent via U.S. mail (and by facsimile and electronically, if possible) to PG&E at the addresses shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission:

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
Vice President, 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 Section III.B.2 of G.O. 131-D exist.

Effective Date

The Company requests that this advice filing become effective on **May 20, 2007**, which is 30 calendar 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, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and via U.S. mail to the 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 changes to the General Order 96-A service list 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>



Vice President -- 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) #: **3039-E**

Subject of AL: General Order 131-D, San Miguel-Paso Robles 70kV Power Line Reconductor Project, San Luis Obispo 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 AL¹: _____

Resolution Required? Yes No

Requested effective date: **May 20, 2007**

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 proposed¹: _____

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:

Tariff Files, Room 4005

DMS Branch

Energy Division

505 Van Ness Avenue

San Francisco, CA 94102

E-mail: ijnj@cpuc.ca.gov and mas@cpuc.ca.gov

Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Attn: Brian K. Cherry

Vice President, Regulatory Relations

77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C

P.O. Box 770000

San Francisco, CA 94177

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¹ Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NAME: San Miguel-Paso Robles 70 Kilovolt Power Line Reconductor Project, San Luis Obispo County
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 3039-E

Proposed Project: Due to increased electrical demand in the area between San Miguel and Paso Robles, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) proposes to replace the wires on an existing electric distribution line running generally along North River Road in San Luis Obispo County extending from PG&E's San Miguel Substation (located near the town of San Miguel) southerly approximately 5.4 miles. In addition, PG&E will replace approximately 75 wood poles with new wood poles. The new poles, which will support both distribution and existing transmission lines, will be approximately 10 feet taller than the existing poles. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in May, 2007, or as soon thereafter as possible, and is scheduled for completion in July, 2007, or as soon thereafter as possible.

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. Pacific Gas and Electric Company believes this project qualifies for the following exemption(s):

- (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; 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
- 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 *May 10, 2007*, at the following address:

Tariff Files, Room 4005
 DMS Branch
 Energy Division
 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

San Miguel-Paso Robles 70 Kilovolt Power Line Reconductor Project

Advice 3039-E

Energy Commission

Mr. Bob Therleksen, Executive Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, CA 95814

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

County of San Luis Obispo

Department of Planning & Building
Attn: Planning Director
County Government Center
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Newspaper

The Tribune (Paso Robles)

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

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