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Subject: PG&E's 2007 Cooling Centers Pilot Program Report
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Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letters 3220-E and 3220-E-A are effective April 15, 2008.

Sincerely,

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

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**Advice 3220-E
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID 39 E)**

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: PG&E's 2007 Cooling Centers Pilot Program Report and 2008
Program Proposal**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits for filing revisions to its electric tariffs (as shown in Attachment 1), as well as a report on its 2007 Cooling Center Pilot Program and a proposal for the 2008 Cooling Center Program. This request is pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 13 in California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) Decision (D.) 06-12-038, and Ordering Paragraph 2 in Resolution E-4080.

Background

Cooling centers are facilities that are open to the public and operated during hot summer months in order to provide the elderly and other low income citizens with shelter from heat. On December 14, 2006, the Commission issued D.06-12-038 ordering PG&E to submit a plan and proposed budget via advice letter in working with local governments to establish cooling centers.¹

In response to the above decision, PG&E submitted Advice Letter (AL) 2990-E proposing a Cooling Center pilot program for 2007. On March 13, 2007 PG&E submitted supplemental AL 2990-E-A superseding AL 2990-E in its entirety. On May 3, 2007, the Commission issued Resolution E-4080 approving PG&E's proposal to operate a Cooling Center pilot program for 2007.

¹ D.06-12-038, Ordering Paragraph 13 states, "PG&E shall no later than February 15, 2007, submit an advice letter to the Energy Division with a plan and proposed budget for working with local governments to establish cool centers and shall open some cool centers by summer of 2007."

The use of cooling centers can reduce the risk of experiencing heat-induced ailments for the targeted population of elderly and low-income citizens. PG&E's Cooling Center pilot worked with local governments to support existing cooling center programs, to educate targeted customers on heat preparedness, and to publicize the location and accessibility of all cooling center locations within PG&E's service area. In addition, PG&E provided material, financial and logistical support to selected local government-operated cooling centers for the purpose of increasing participation among low- and fixed-income customers. The 2007 pilot program was funded under the California Alternate Rate for Energy (CARE) Program, as an outreach expense, to the extent that the Cooling Centers would provide CARE information materials on its sites.

Program Goals

- Work with local governments to support existing cooling center programs
- Provide customers with a cool, comfortable, safe place to seek relief in the event of a heat storm
- Maximize target customer participation by marketing cooling center programs and educating customers about heat storms
- Maximize customer benefit by supporting cooling centers through partnerships and financial support
- Make cooling centers an affordable and low effort option for targeted customers

Program Concepts

In compliance with Ordering Paragraph 13 in D.06-12-038, PG&E proposed to provide support to existing local government-operated cooling center programs in its service area to increase participation by low- and fixed-income customers. PG&E believes that local governments have a greater familiarity with the needs of their respective populations, as well as an understanding of the optimal locations for cooling centers and what is needed to improve participation. Additionally, many local governments in heat-susceptible areas have already established cooling centers or have filed emergency plans with the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES).

Through the 2007 Cooling Center Pilot, PG&E proposed to create partnerships with local governments to reinforce and augment cooling center participation by:

- Providing financial support to cooling center programs that meet minimum operating requirements during heat-related emergencies;²
- Offering outreach and communication channels to increase customer awareness of heat-related risks; and
- Creating a PG&E Cooling Center network to promote communication among local governments about cooling center programs

² Minimum operating requirements developed in response to PG&E market research results

PG&E leveraged these partnerships with participating cooling centers to provide information on low income utility assistance, energy efficiency, and renewable energy programs.

2007 Pilot Program Report

After initial interviews with local government staff involved with the operation of cooling centers, PG&E identified local governments with existing cooling centers and mailed application forms to the following counties:

- Fresno County
- Kern County
- Stanislaus County
- San Joaquin County
- Contra Costa County
- Merced County
- Yolo County
- Madera County

PG&E selected these counties as potential partners due to their high proportion of CARE-eligible customers and seniors as well as high average temperatures relative to the other counties in PG&E's service area. Specifically, PG&E used the following criteria for selecting these counties for the Pilot program:

- Population: High CARE and/or medical baseline eligible populations that are PG&E electric customers (greater than 1,000 CARE eligible electric customers per zip code)
- Climate: Located in California Energy Commission (CEC) climate zones 11 – 16³
- Current Structure: Had existing programs or were planning cooling center programs for 2007

Although many local governments were interested in partnering with PG&E in the initial interview, a few later declined the offer, did not submit the required information, or did not submit information on a timely basis. As a result, PG&E established partnerships with the following seven local government organizations:

- Sanger City Fire Department
- Fresno County Rural Transit Agency
- City of Fresno Parks, Recreation and Community Services
- Kern County Aging and Adult Services
- Merced County Office of Emergency Services
- City of Madera – Office of Emergency Services

³ Climate Zones refer to California Energy Commission Building Climate Zones

- City of West Sacramento Senior Center

Grant Agreement

In order for any existing cooling center in PG&E's service area to participate in the pilot program, it needed to meet the following prerequisite conditions:

- Free entrance for all customers
- No discrimination among attendees
- Be accessible via public transportation or shuttle service
- Provide a safe and comfortable atmosphere
- Provide seating areas
- Provide complimentary water
- List disability access
- Have specific trigger criteria to open cooling centers
- Distribute brochures advertising other PG&E services such as CARE, Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA), and Low Income Energy Efficiency (LIEE)
- Have customer satisfaction surveys available onsite
- Provide a sign-in sheet for cooling center attendees

Once the opportunity to establish partnerships with local governments was identified, PG&E mailed seven local government organizations a grant agreement, detailing the total grant amount. The organizations received half of the amount up front and the other half at the end of summer, following submittal of an invoice to PG&E for additional expenses based on the following criteria:

- Refreshments:
 - Including bottled water, cookies, crackers, pretzels, or other light snacks
 - Excluding caffeine products, alcohol, and food purchases that could be construed as full meals
- Transportation to and from the cooling center locations:
 - Including bus rides, Dial-a-Ride, taxi services, vehicle rentals, and fuel costs to provide transportation
 - Excluding costs to transport participants who are not going to a cooling center

**Table 1: 2007 Cooling Center Pilot
Participating Organizations**

	City of Fresno Parks, Recreation and Community Services	Fresno County Rural Transit Agency	Kern County Aging and Adult Services	Merced County Office of Emergency Services	City of Madera – Office of Emergency Services	City of West Sacramento Senior Center	Sanger City Fire Department
Total grant amount	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$12,000	\$5,000	\$4,000	\$500	\$2,000
Up front amount	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$6,000	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$250	\$1,000
Number of cooling center days	24 days from 7/4/07 through 9/3/2007	Not available at this time	15 days from 7/3/07 through 9/3/07	5 days from 7/3/07 through 8/12/07	Open during regular business hours through summer	10 days from 7/9/07 through 8/30/07	Open during regular business hours.
Triggers that opened cooling centers	All days declared as National Weather Service heat emergency condition at 100 degrees or above		Cooling Centers located in San Joaquin and Kern River valleys were opened when temperatures reach 105 degrees. Mountain centers were opened when temperatures reach 95 degrees. Desert Centers were opened when temperatures reach 108 degrees.	National Weather Services (NWS) Extreme Heat Advisory: 110+ degrees for more than two hours	Open during regular business hours to anyone who needs respite from the heat	Open on days when temperature reaches over 100 degrees or is expected to	Determined by the National Weather Service Heat Index
Number of cooling centers opened	11 - neighborhood and community centers		23 - senior centers, community centers, and Veteran's Halls	5 – City Hall, community center, and libraries	6 – senior centers and community center	1 – senior center	2 – community pool and church
Hours opened	Centers opened until 10:00 p.m.		Opened from 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Opened until 9:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.	Opened until 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.	Opened until 9:00 p.m.	Opened until 8:00 p.m.
Number of	5,195		136	103	Many	50	21

attendees					people attended but only 4 had signed in.		
Transportation	Free public transportation was available.		Issued over 500 vouchers for transportation: Kern Regional Transit for areas outside of Bakersfield and Golden Empire Transit for the greater Bakersfield area.	Bus and Dial-a-Ride	Dial-a-Ride	Provided its own transportation to participants.	2 Vans and a bus were available but not utilized.
Entertainment and Activities	TV, Computer, Ceramics and crafts.		TV, pool tables, puzzles, and other games.	No entertainment provided.	Games and crafts.	TV, games, and music.	TV, video movies, games, indoor basketball court, and playground.

Marketing and Outreach

Basic outreach and communication services were offered to all counties in PG&E's service area regardless of their level of participation in PG&E's Cooling Center pilot program.

Through discussions with cooling center coordinators and other sources, PG&E learned that customer awareness of cooling centers was minimal. Despite the availability of cooling centers in their counties, many customers did not go to cooling centers because they were either not aware the cooling centers existed or customers did not know the serious risks of extended heat exposure and how to address these risks. PG&E created bilingual brochures to inform customers about how to stay cool and information on how to locate and contact a cooling center.

Website

PG&E created a dedicated PG&E Cooling Center website - <http://www.pge.com/coolingcenter/> - as a communication channel to cooling centers in PG&E's service area. On the website, customers could use an interactive map to locate cooling centers in their area. The website provided contact information, hours of operation, and disability access information as available for each cooling center registered on the website. The website also provided a link to local governments' emergency websites related to cooling centers, transportation services, general heat-related health and safety

information, and PG&E assistance programs that might benefit targeted customers (e.g., CARE, FERA and LIEE).

Safety information was available in 4 languages: English, Spanish, Chinese and Vietnamese. The PG&E Cooling Center website was also American Disability Act (ADA) compliant to assist visually disabled customers.

Toll-free Line

PG&E developed an automated phone information system. Customers could call toll-free 1-877-474-3266 to access information regarding cooling center locations, contact information, operating hours, and the accessibility of cooling centers in their area. Customers with speech and hearing impairments could also call the TDD/TTY 1-800-652-4712 to access cooling centers information.

PG&E contact center staff were trained on heat preparedness education and on the PG&E Cooling Center pilot program to serve customers who preferred to speak to a PG&E customer representative.

Bill Insert

In June 2007, information on the PG&E Cooling Center pilot program and heat-preparedness were made available to customers in the form of bill insert that was sent to customers via their paper bills or e-billing.

Radio Message

PG&E coordinated with local governments to air English and Spanish radio messages to inform customers of the risks associated with heat exposure, to encourage customers to take shelter during periods of extreme heat, and to find a cooling center through the PG&E Cooling Center website and automated phone line.

Collateral

PG&E distributed Cooling Center brochures at PG&E events where other assistance programs were being marketed. Cooling Center brochures provided tips for preparing for hot weather, identified symptoms of heat-related illnesses, and explained how to locate cooling centers. The brochure was designed to be ADA complaint and was available in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Vietnamese.⁴

PG&E distributed cooling center information through local governments, community-based organizations (CBO), and non-profit organizations in targeted regions. PG&E also leveraged with CARE events to distribute Cooling Center brochures.

⁴ PG&E provided bi-lingual brochures to local governments to distribute; brochures will also be handed out at PG&E CARE events.

Cooling Center stickers were distributed to all interested local governments to help customers identify cooling centers in their area.

11,000 CARE applications were provided to Cooling Centers. At year end, 22 applications were received as a result of the applications placed in Cooling Centers and 6 applicants were new CARE enrollments.

Quality Assurance and Complaints

PG&E provided surveys for cooling center customers to fill out to help the utility assess the effectiveness of its 2007 Cooling Center pilot program marketing and outreach. Completing a survey was not a prerequisite for visiting a cooling center and no surveys were filled out. PG&E investigated this poor response rate during follow-up on-site visits to participating local government organizations in December 2007, where the utility learned that customers using the cooling centers were not willing to fill out anything that could disclose their personal information. For future programs, PG&E will re-assess its survey questions and data collection methods.

2007 Cooling Center Pilot Program Budget

The approved budget for the 2007 pilot program was \$287,500. The following table provides descriptions for the expenditures of the program:

Table 2: 2007 Cooling Center Pilot Program Budget and Expenditures

	2007 Budget	2007 Spent	Description
Administration (1/2 FTE) Program Development	\$74,000	\$9,624 ⁵	Includes program development costs, and first year administration responsibilities: build partnerships with local governments, manage applications and contracts, operate expense accounts, create and update website and automated phone line, communicate with local governments and media, track program performance, administer quality assurance, compile data for CPUC reporting
Quality Assurance	\$4,000	\$0	Produce and distribute customer satisfaction survey materials to cooling center locations.
Outreach and Awareness			Includes design, production, and communication of radio messages, design, development and maintenance of information for automated phone line and website, design, production and distribution of Cooling Center brochures, stickers, and bill inserts to 5.3 million customers
• Radio Message	\$60,000	\$28,800	
• Website	\$2,000	\$1,800	
• Toll-Free Line	\$14,000	\$12,150	
• Collateral	\$36,000	\$40,472	
Direct funding to Cooling Centers	\$93,000	\$20,231 ⁶	Includes capped amount of financial support for local government cooling center programs
Miscellaneous	\$4,500	\$0	Workshop if needed
Total	\$287,500	\$113,077	

Suggestions from local government organizations

At the end of the season, each participating local government organization submitted a report to PG&E. In those reports, there were many suggestions for a 2008 program:

- Initiate the grant process in April so participating partners could receive grants prior to Memorial Day weekend to ensure sufficient planning for the summer
- Provide full grant amount up front
- Allow participating partners flexible use of grant money to benefit their cooling centers, such as staffing, security, local advertising, etc.
- PG&E should sponsor events to kick off the cooling center season

Surveys are not the most effective way to measure the effectiveness of cooling center marketing and outreach. Recorded attendance provides a more effective measure of program success.

⁵ Due to a staffing transition, over \$35,000 of administration expenses incurred were not charged to the Cooling Center budget.

⁶ The actual spent in Cooling Center funding was lower than budgeted because of fewer local government organization partnerships due to stringent grant agreement conditions.

2008 Cooling Center Program – Proposal

Based on input from previous local government organization participants and 2007 Cooling Center pilot program best practices, PG&E requests approval from the Commission to continue the Cooling Center program in 2008. As suggested by 2007 pilot program participants, PG&E also requests to receive approval from the Commission by April 15, 2008, so that grants may be awarded and disbursed to partnering local government organizations by Memorial Day weekend.

For the 2008 Cooling Center Program, PG&E proposes the following program plans and goals:

- Continue to partner and provide grants to the 2007 local government organization participants, as well as establishing new partnerships with other local governments with existing cooling centers throughout PG&E service area, and which meet the 2007 eligibility criteria
- Provide communications and outreach support to cooling centers with collateral materials, through event planning, toll-free line and website
- Incorporate local government organizations' suggestions regarding: disbursing the full grant up-front. Local government organizations will be asked to submit a proposal on how monies will be used and an end-of-year report on how monies were spent. This will allow local government partnerships to use the funding for operations support, staffing, security, and outreach awareness as well as refreshments and transportation
- Sponsoring events to raise awareness about cooling centers
- Eliminate the use of surveys from customers attending the participating cooling centers to measure the effectiveness of cooling center marketing and outreach

PG&E requests a 2008 Cooling Center program budget of \$300,000, a \$12,500 increase from the 2007 approved budget which will be used for additional partnership direct funding and an increase in administration responsibilities due to a full program cycle. PG&E also requests the Cooling Center Program budget be maintained separately from the CARE and LIEE Program budgets. PG&E's 2007 Cooling Center Pilot was funded under the CARE outreach budget. Cooling Centers are not a CARE expense nor are they a cost effective tool in enrolling CARE customers. PG&E proposes that its 2008 Cooling Center Program be maintained and reported as a separate low income program as approved by the Commission for Southern California Edison's cooling center program.

The 2008 Cooling Center Program budget and program proposal is described in Table 3.

Table 3: 2008 Cooling Center Program Budget Proposal

	2008 Budget	Description
Administration (1/2 FTE) Program Development	\$75,000	Includes program development costs, build partnerships with local governments, manage applications and contracts, operate expense accounts, update website and automated phone line, communicate with local governments, track program performance, administer quality assurance, and compile data for CPUC reporting
Outreach and Awareness		Includes program launch, customer interaction, community support, maintenance of information for automated phone line and website, redesign, production and distribution of Cooling Center brochures, stickers, and bill inserts to 5.3 million customers
• Event Planning	\$15,000	
• Website	\$2,000	
• Toll-Free Line	\$8,000	
• Collateral	\$50,000	
Direct funding to Cooling Centers	\$150,000	Includes capped amount of financial support for local government cooling center programs
Total	\$300,000	

Cost Recovery

PG&E will record costs associated with the 2008 Cooling Center Pilot Program in the electric *Public Purpose Program Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (PPPRAM)*. These costs will be recovered in the next Annual Electric True-Up (AET) process or other proceeding as authorized by the Commission.

Effective Date

PG&E requests that this advice letter be approved effective **April 15, 2008**.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this advice letter may do so by sending a letter by **March 20, 2008**, which is 20 days from today. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based, including such items as financial and service impact, and should be submitted expeditiously. Protests should be mailed to:

CPUC Energy Division
 Attention: Tariff Unit, 4th Floor
 505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor
 San Francisco, California 94102

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

Protests also should be sent by e-mail and facsimile to Mr. Honesto Gatchalian, Energy Division, as shown above, and by U.S. mail to Mr. Gatchalian at the above address.

The protest should be sent via both e-mail and facsimile to PG&E on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission at the address shown below.

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Notice

In accordance with Section IV, of General Order 96-B, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and via U.S. mail to parties shown on the attached list, and the service lists below. Address changes should be directed to Rose de la Torre at RxDd@pge.com or (415) 973-4716. Advice letter submissions can also be accessed electronically at:

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



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Attachments

Service List for A.06-06-032.

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 M)**

Utility type:

ELC GAS
 PLC HEAT WATER

Contact Person: David Poster

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EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

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

(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 3220-E

Tier: 2

Subject of AL: PG&E's 2007 Cooling Centers Pilot Program Report and 2008 Program Proposal

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Electric Tariffs, Cooling Centers

AL filing type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: D.06-12-038

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: _____

Is AL requesting confidential treatment? If so, what information is the utility seeking confidential treatment for: No
Confidential information will be made available to those who have executed a nondisclosure agreement: Yes No

Name(s) and contact information of the person(s) who will provide the nondisclosure agreement and access to the confidential information:

Resolution Required? Yes No

Requested effective date: **April 15, 2008**

No. of tariff sheets: 5

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): N/A

Estimated system average rate effect (%): N/A

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: Electric Prelim M and Electric Prelim DA

Service affected and changes proposed¹: N/A

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

Protests, dispositions, 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

Tariff Files, Room 4005

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**ATTACHMENT 1
Advice 3220-E**

Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.
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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT
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M. CALIFORNIA ALTERNATE RATES FOR ENERGY ACCOUNT (CAREA)

1. PURPOSE: The purpose of the CARE balancing account is to record the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) Program revenue shortfall associated with the Low-Income Ratepayer Assistance program established by Decisions 89-07-062 and 89-09-044 as well as the expansion of the LIRA Program authorized by Decision 92-04-024. This account also records the CARE Program administrative costs, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 739.1 (b). The program was revised in Decision 94-12-049 and the name changed to CARE.

Descriptions of the terms and definitions used in this section are found in Rule 1.

2. APPLICABILITY: The CARE shortfall applies to all non-CARE rate schedules and contracts subject to the jurisdiction of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), except for those schedules and contracts specifically excluded by the CPUC.

3. REVISION DATE: Disposition of the balance in this account shall be determined through the Annual Electric True-Up (AET) advice letter process.

4. CAREA RATES: CAREA Rates are included in the effective rates set forth in each rate schedule, (see Preliminary Statement Part I) as applicable.

5. CARE ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE: PG&E shall maintain the CARE Subaccount by making entries to this account at the end of each month as follows:

a. A debit entry equal to the CARE revenue shortfall resulting from deliveries made on Schedules EL-1, EML, ESL, ESRL, ETL, EL-7, EL-A7, EL-8, and E-CARE during the current month less the allowance for franchise fees and uncollectibles accounts expense (FF&U). The revenue shortfall can be computed by subtracting CARE customer's monthly revenues from the revenues that would have been recovered from CARE Customers had they been paying standard residential rates, less the CARE surcharge revenue.

b. A debit entry equal to all monthly administrative costs allocated to the electric CARE Program that include, but are not limited to, outreach, marketing, regulatory compliance, certification and verification, billing, measurement and evaluation, and capital improvements and upgrades to communications and processing equipment.

c. A credit entry equal to the CAREA revenue less the allowance for FF&U expense.

d. A debit or credit entry, as appropriate, equal to the interest on the average balance in the account at the beginning of the month and the balance in the account after entries 6.a. through 6.c. above, at a rate equal to one-twelfth the interest rate on three-month Commercial Paper for the previous month, as reported in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, H.15 or its successor.

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6. REASONABLENESS REVIEW: In conjunction with the appropriate proceeding, the utility shall file with the Commission an annual report on the CARE Program, reporting on the reasonableness of recorded Program administrative costs included in the CARE balancing account during the previous year. CARE administrative costs shall include, but are not limited to, the costs specified in Section 739.1 (b) of the Public Utilities Code.



PRELIMINARY STATEMENT
(Continued)

DA. PUBLIC PURPOSE PROGRAMS REVENUE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM (PPPRAM)

1. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the PPPRAM is to record the authorized Public Purpose Programs (PPP) revenue requirements and to provide full recovery of those costs. The PPP revenue requirements are composed of funding for electric Energy Efficiency (EE) programs, Low-Income Energy Efficiency (LIEE) programs, Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) programs, and Renewables programs.
2. **APPLICABILITY:** The PPPRAM shall apply to all customer bills for service under all rate schedules and contracts for electric service subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission, except for those rate schedules or contracts specifically excluded by the Commission.
3. **REVISION DATE:** Disposition of the balance in this account shall be determined through the advice letter process.
4. **RATES:** The PPP rates equal the PPP rates included in the effective rates set forth in each rate schedule as a separate non-bypassable charge less the California Alternate Rates for Energy Account (CARE) surcharge rate and Procurement Energy Efficiency and Balancing Account rate shown in Preliminary Statement Part I.
5. **ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES:** The following entries shall be made each month:
 - a. A debit entry equal to the annual Commission-authorized PPP revenue requirements divided by twelve.
 - b. A credit entry equal to the revenue from the PPP rates less the recorded revenue from the CARE rate and Procurement Energy Efficiency and Balancing Account rate shown in Preliminary Statement Part I.
 - c. A debit entry equal to costs associated with PG&E's Cooling Center Program. (N)
 - d. An entry equal to interest on the average balance in the account at the beginning of the month and the balance after the above entries, at a rate equal to one-twelfth of the interest rate on three-month Commercial Paper for the previous month, as reported in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, H.15 or its successor. (T)

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