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November 8, 2011

Advice Letter 3915-E

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San Francisco, CA 94177

**Subject: Recovery of Long-Term Procurement Plan Technical Assistance
Memorandum Account (LTAMA) Costs through PG&E's Energy
Resource Recovery Account**

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letter 3915-E is effective October 31, 2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward F. Randolph".

Edward F. Randolph, Director
Energy Division



September 30, 2011

Advice 3915- E

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Recovery of Long-Term Procurement Plan Technical Assistance Memorandum Account (LTAMA) Costs through PG&E's Energy Resource Recovery Account

Purpose

Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E") hereby requests approval from the California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC" or "Commission") to review and approve the transfer of the expected 2011 year-end balance recorded in the Long-Term Procurement Plan Technical Assistance Memorandum Account ("LTAMA") to the Energy Resource Recovery Account ("ERRA") for recovery in generation rates. The costs recorded in the LTAMA, in compliance with Decision ("D.") 07-12-052, record technical assistance costs incurred by the Commission for its implementation and administration of the Long-Term Procurement Plan ("LTPP") program for each fiscal year.

Background

D.07-12-052 authorized the Energy Division's Executive Director to hire and manage one or more contractors to provide technical support in several areas, including general program design, implementation and evaluation and other tasks to promote and maintain procurement policies and goals.

As stated in the Decision, the Commission will send approved invoices issued by the contractor(s) or invoices issued by the Commission for reimbursement of costs incurred by the Commission to the investor-owned utilities ("IOUs").¹ These costs will be paid by the IOUs on a pro rata basis unless the contractor(s) perform work related to only a specific utility. The total expenses shared by the IOUs shall not

¹ The IOUs are PG&E, Southern California Edison Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company

exceed an annual cap of \$400,000 for each fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2011.² Any unspent money may be carried over to subsequent fiscal years.³ Upon payment, the IOUs may record these costs into the LTAMA and later apply for recovery in rates.

On November 2, 2009, PG&E filed Advice 3551-E requesting the CPUC to review and approve the transfer of the expected 2009 year-end balance recorded in the LTAMA to the ERRRA for recovery in generation rates. Advice 3551-E was approved on December 1, 2009, with an effective date of December 2, 2009. On October 26, 2010, PG&E filed Advice 3747-E requesting the CPUC to review and approve the transfer of the expected 2010 year-end balance recorded in the LTAMA to the ERRRA for recovery in generation rates. Advice 3747-E was approved on December 6, 2010, with an effective date of November 29, 2010.

Request

PG&E requests that the Commission review the 2011 costs recorded in the LTAMA through July 30, 2011, and the expected balance as of December 31, 2011, and approve the transfer of the December 31, 2011, balance to the ERRRA for recovery in generation rates.

As of August 31, 2011, the balance in the LTAMA is \$5,862. PG&E expects the December 31, 2011, balance in the LTAMA to be \$16,037. This balance includes forecasted interest and invoices Energy Division anticipates to issue to the IOUs at the end of 2011.⁴ Attachment 1 provides the monthly entries and the expected December 31, 2011 LTAMA balance. Attachment 2 provides the workpapers supporting the monthly entries.

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 **October 20, 2011**, which is 20 days from the date of this filing. Protests should be mailed to:

² D.09-05-028 modified D.07-12-052.

³ As of August 31, 2011, PG&E's pro rata share of unspent money in the amount of \$676,060 may be carried over to subsequent fiscal years.

⁴ On August 29, 2011, Nathaniel Skinner of Energy Division sent PG&E an email that an estimate of \$10,000 is an appropriate forecast that PG&E should expect to receive between October through December 2011.

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

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

Copies 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 address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission:

Brian K. Cherry
Vice President, Regulation and Rates
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
P.O. Box 770000, Mail Code B10C
San Francisco, California 94177

Facsimile: (415) 973-6520
E-Mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

Effective Date

PG&E requests that this advice filing, upon Energy Division approval, becomes effective on **October 31, 2011**, which is thirty-one⁵ (31) days after the date of filing. PG&E submits this as a Tier 2 filing.

Notice

In accordance with General Order 96-B, Section IV, 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 list for R.10-05-006. Address changes to the General Order 96-B service list and all electronic approvals should be directed to e-mail PGETariffs@pge.com. For changes to any other service list, please contact the

⁵ The regular 30-day notice period ends on a weekend so the requested effective date is the next business day.

Commission's Process Office at (415) 703-2021 or at
Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov. Advice letter filings can also be accessed
electronically at <http://www.pge.com/tariffs/>.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Cherry" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Vice President – Regulation and Rates

Attachments

cc: Service List R.10-05-006

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: Greg Backens

Phone #: 415-973-4390

E-mail: gab4@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) #: **3915-E**

Tier: 2

Subject of AL: **Recovery of Long-Term Procurement Plan Technical Assistance Memorandum Account (LTAMA) Costs through PG&E's Energy Resource Recovery Account**

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance

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

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: D.07-12-052

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: No

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL: N/A

Is AL requesting confidential treatment? No.

If so, what information is the utility seeking confidential treatment for: N/A

Confidential information will be made available to those who have executed a nondisclosure agreement: N/A

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

Resolution Required? Yes No

Requested effective date: October 31, 2011

No. of tariff sheets: N/A

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: N/A

Service affected and changes proposed: 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

DMS Branch

505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102

jnj@cpuc.ca.gov and mas@cpuc.ca.gov

Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Attn: Brian K. Cherry, Vice President, Regulation and Rates

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San Francisco, CA 94177

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**ATTACHMENT 1:
MONTHLY ENTRIES AND
EXPECTED DECEMBER 31, 2011
LTAMA BALANCE**

Attachment 1

	Balancing Account Entries	Forecast Interest Rate
All PG&E Payment(s) for Invoice R0008601	\$ 5,861	
Recorded Interest up to July 31, 2011	\$ 0.43	
Recorded Balance as of July 31, 2011	<u>\$ 5,861</u>	
Recorded Interest for August 2011	\$ 0.68	0.14% *
Recorded Balance as of August 31, 2011	<u>\$ 5,862</u>	
Forecast Interest for September 2011	\$ 0.68	0.14% *
Forecast Balance as of September 30, 2011	<u>\$ 5,863</u>	
Forecast Invoices for October 2011	\$ 3,333	
Forecast Interest for October 2011	\$ 0.68	0.14% *
Forecast Balance as of October 31, 2011	<u>\$ 9,197</u>	
Forecast Invoices for November 2011	\$ 3,333	
Forecast Interest for November 2011	\$ 1.07	0.14% *
Forecast Balance as of November 30, 2011	<u>\$ 12,531</u>	
Forecast Invoices for December 2011	\$ 3,333	
Forecast Interest for December 2011	\$ 1.46	0.14% *
Forecast Balance as of December 31, 2011	<u>\$ 15,866</u>	
FF&U at 0.01079	\$ 171	
Forecast RRQ as of December 31, 2011	<u>\$ 16,037</u>	To be transferred to ERRA for Recovery

* This figure is taken from the three-month, non-financial commercial paper rate as published in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, H-15, and is pursuant to company tariffs and CPUC Decision No. 91269.

**ATTACHMENT 2:
LTAMA WORKPAPERS
SUPPORTING MONTHLY
ENTRIES**

INVOICE

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**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
505 Van Ness Ave, Room 3000
San Francisco, CA94102
Tax ID 94-3031353**

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PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO.
ATTN: CHRISTINA HONEY
245 MARKET ST., MAIL CODE N12E
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

7/7/2011

YOU ARE REQUESTED TO REMIT IMMEDIATELY

RE: LTPP TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CONSULTANT
Contract# 07PS5742
To reimburse the CA Public Utilities Commission for services rendered by
Aspen Environmental Group.

Invoice# 1245-16	\$	17,582.51
Less Payment by Other Utilities	\$	(11,721.67)
AMOUNT DUE:	\$	<u>5,860.84</u>

PAYMENT IS DUE WITHIN SEVEN (7) DAYS

Contact Person: Simon Baker (415)703-5649 SEB@cpuc.ca.gov
Pauline Lin (415)703-2370 SL4@cpuc.ca.gov

FY 09/10 Index: 0321 PCA: 83177 Source Cde: 991937 \$ 5,860.84

PLEASE RETURN COPY OF INVOICE WITH REMITTANCE

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