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Advice Letter 4040-E

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**Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to GO 131-D,
for the Vierra Tracy-Kasson 115 kV Power Line
Relocation Project in San Joaquin County**

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letter 4040-E is effective June 6, 2012.

Sincerely,

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

Edward F. Randolph, Director
Energy Division



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May 7, 2012

Advice 4040-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 Vierra Tracy–Kasson 115 kV Power Line Relocation Project in San Joaquin County

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (“PG&E” or “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

To accommodate San Joaquin County’s 11th Street Roundabout facility, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has been requested to relocate approximately 925 feet (minor relocation) of the Vierra Tracy–Kasson 115 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line at the intersection of 11th Street, West Grant Line Road, and South Kasson Road in San Joaquin County. To relocate the power line, PG&E will remove one wood transmission pole located within the median of 11th Street directly north of Kasson Road, and will replace two approximately 55-foot-tall wood transmission poles with one 60-foot-tall and one 75-foot-tall wood poles (replacement of existing facilities). The pole closest to the intersection will be installed approximately 95 feet west of its current location with anchors to accommodate the street crossing. Work is scheduled to begin in July 2012, or as soon thereafter as possible, and will be completed in October 2012.

CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, Subsection B.1.b, exempts projects meeting specific conditions from the CPUC’s requirement to file an application requesting authority to construct. The Company believes this project qualifies for the following exemption(s):

“The replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures.”

“The minor relocation of existing power line facilities up to 2,000 feet in length, or the intersetting of additional support structures between existing support structures.”

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 **May 29, 2012**, which is 22 days¹ after the date of this filing. Protests should be mailed to the following address:

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

Facsimile: (415) 703-2200
E-Mail: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

Copies of protests also should be mailed to the attention of the Director, Energy Division, Room 4004, at the address show 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:

David T. Kraska
Attorney, Law Department
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
P.O. Box 7442
San Francisco, California 94120

Facsimile: (415) 973-0516

¹ The regular 20-day protest period ends on a non-business day so the protest period end date is moved to the next business day.

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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 **June 6, 2012**, 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

A copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and via U.S. Mail to 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. All electronic approvals should be sent to e-mail PGETariffs@pge.com. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at <http://www.pge.com/tariffs/>.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian Cherry" followed by a date "5/7/12".

Vice President - Regulation and Rates

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

Attachments

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 E)**

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) #: **4040-E**

Tier: N/A

Subject of AL: **Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Vierra Tracy-Kasson 115 kV Power Line Relocation Project in San Joaquin County**

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Power 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: No

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

Is AL requesting confidential treatment? 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: **June 6, 2012**

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

EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

Pacific Gas and Electric Company

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

77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C

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San Francisco, CA 94177

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

Project Name: Vierra Tracy–Kasson 115 kV Power Line Relocation Project, County of San Joaquin
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 4040-E

Proposed Project: To accommodate San Joaquin County's 11th Street Roundabout facility, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has been requested to relocate approximately 925 feet (minor relocation) of the Vierra Tracy–Kasson 115 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line at the intersection of 11th Street, West Grant Line Road, and South Kasson Road in San Joaquin County. To relocate the power line, PG&E will remove one wood transmission pole located within the median of 11th Street directly north of Kasson Road, and will replace two approximately 55-foot-tall wood transmission poles with one 60-foot-tall and one 75-foot-tall wood poles (replacement of existing facilities). The pole closest to the intersection will be installed approximately 95 feet west of its current location with anchors to accommodate the street crossing. Work is scheduled to begin in July 2012, or as soon thereafter as possible, and will be completed in October 2012.

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 exemption(s):

- b) The replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures.
- c) The minor relocation of existing power line facilities up to 2,000 feet in length, or the intersetting of additional support structures between existing support structures.

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 May 29, 2012, 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

**Vierra Tracy–Kasson 115 kV Power Line Relocation Project
County of San Joaquin**

Advice 4040-E

Energy Commission

Robert Oglesby, Executive Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

Roger Johnson, Deputy Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

San Joaquin County

Ms. Kerry Sullivan
Director of Community Development Department
1810 E. Hazelton Ave.
Stockton, CA 95205

Newspaper

The Record
530 East Market Street
Stockton, CA 95202

PG&E Gas and Electric Advice Filing List

AT&T	Dept of General Services	North Coast SolarResources
Alcantar & Kahl LLP	Douglass & Liddell	Northern California Power Association
Ameresco	Downey & Brand	Occidental Energy Marketing, Inc.
Anderson & Poole	Duke Energy	OnGrid Solar
BART	Economic Sciences Corporation	Praxair
Barkovich & Yap, Inc.	Ellison Schneider & Harris LLP	R. W. Beck & Associates
Bartle Wells Associates	Foster Farms	RCS, Inc.
Bloomberg	G. A. Krause & Assoc.	Recurrent Energy
Bloomberg New Energy Finance	GLJ Publications	SCD Energy Solutions
Boston Properties	GenOn Energy, Inc.	SCE
Braun Blaising McLaughlin, P.C.	Goodin, MacBride, Squeri, Schlotz & Ritchie	SMUD
Brookfield Renewable Power	Green Power Institute	SPURR
CA Bldg Industry Association	Hanna & Morton	San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
CLECA Law Office	Hitachi	Seattle City Light
CSC Energy Services	In House Energy	Sempra Utilities
California Cotton Ginners & Growers Assn	International Power Technology	Sierra Pacific Power Company
California Energy Commission	Intestate Gas Services, Inc.	Silicon Valley Power
California League of Food Processors	Lawrence Berkeley National Lab	Silo Energy LLC
California Public Utilities Commission	Los Angeles Dept of Water & Power	Southern California Edison Company
Calpine	Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps LLP	Spark Energy, L.P.
Cardinal Cogen	MAC Lighting Consulting	Sun Light & Power
Casner, Steve	MBMC, Inc.	Sunrun Inc.
Center for Biological Diversity	MRW & Associates	Sunshine Design
Chris, King	Manatt Phelps Phillips	Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan
City of Palo Alto	Marin Energy Authority	Tabors Caramanis & Associates
City of Palo Alto Utilities	McKenzie & Associates	Tecogen, Inc.
City of San Jose	Merced Irrigation District	Tiger Natural Gas, Inc.
City of Santa Rosa	Modesto Irrigation District	TransCanada
Clean Energy Fuels	Morgan Stanley	Turlock Irrigation District
Coast Economic Consulting	Morrison & Foerster	United Cogen
Commercial Energy	Morrison & Foerster LLP	Utility Cost Management
Consumer Federation of California	NLine Energy, Inc.	Utility Specialists
Crossborder Energy	NRG West	Verizon
Davis Wright Tremaine LLP	NaturEner	Wellhead Electric Company
Day Carter Murphy	Navigant Consulting	Western Manufactured Housing Communities Association (WMA)
Defense Energy Support Center	Norris & Wong Associates	eMeter Corporation
Department of Water Resources	North America Power Partners	