

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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October 19, 2012

**Advice Letter 4105-E**

Brian K. Cherry  
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**Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to G.O. 131-D,  
for the Construction of the Lakeville No. 2 60 kV Power  
Line Relocation (Marin-Sonoma Narrows Highway 101  
HOV Widening Project, Segment B2 – Sonoma County)**

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letter 4105-E is effective September 29, 2012.

Sincerely,

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

Edward F. Randolph, Director  
Energy Division



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Vice President  
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August 30, 2012

**Advice 4105-E**

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of the Lakeville No. 2 60 kV Power Line Relocation (Marin-Sonoma Narrows Highway 101 HOV Widening Project, Segment B2 - Sonoma 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 the widening of Highway 101 in Sonoma County (larger project), the State of California, Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has requested Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to relocate approximately 6,800 feet of the existing Lakeville No. 2 60 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line. PG&E will replace (in place) two existing wood poles (approximately 47 feet tall) with two new wood poles (approximately 62 to 64 feet tall); and relocate 26 existing wood poles (approximately 43 to 62 feet tall) with 22 new wood poles (approximately 62 to 83 feet tall). The taller poles are needed to comply with CPUC General Order 95 minimum ground to conductor clearance requirements, while accommodating Caltrans proposed improvements and electric distribution and communication wires on the power line poles (underbuild). The relocation begins in Petaluma Boulevard South approximately 360 feet east of its intersection with Highway 101 and generally parallels the east side of the highway or the new proposed frontage roads, crossing Petaluma Boulevard South, a proposed Caltrans overcrossing, and Highway 101 until it terminates approximately 820 feet south of the intersection of Highway 101 and Kastania Road. Construction activities are

scheduled to begin in November 2012, or as soon thereafter as possible, with completion in March 2013, or as soon thereafter as possible.

CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, Subsection B, exempts projects meeting specific conditions from the CPUC's requirement to file an application requesting authority to construct. The Company believes these projects qualify for the following exemption:

- b. the replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures.
- f. power lines or substations to be relocated or constructed which have undergone environmental review pursuant to CEQA as part of a larger project, and for which the final CEQA document (Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or Negative Declaration) finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts caused by the proposed line or substation.

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 **September 19, 2012**, 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: EDTariffUnit@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 address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission:

Brian K. Cherry  
Vice President, Regulatory Relations  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C  
P.O. Box 770000  
San Francisco, California 94177

Facsimile: (415) 973-7226  
E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

### **Effective Date**

PG&E requests that this advice filing become effective on regular notice, **September 29, 2012**, 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**

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/>.



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 E)**

Utility type:

ELC       GAS  
 PLC       HEAT       WATER

Contact Person: **Igor Grinberg**

Phone #: **415-973-8580**

E-mail: **ixg8@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) #: **4105-E**

Tier: **N/A**

Subject of AL: **Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of the Lakeville No. 2 60 kV Power Line Relocation (Marin-Sonoma Narrows Highway 101 HOV Widening Project, Segment B2 - Sonoma 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: **September 29, 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, Regulatory Relations

77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C

P.O. Box 770000

San Francisco, CA 94177

E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

**PROJECT NAME:** Lakeville No. 2 60 kV Power Line Relocation (Marin-Sonoma Narrows Highway 101 HOV Widening Project, Segment B2 - Sonoma County)  
**ADVICE LETTER NUMBER:** 4105-E

**Proposed Project:** To accommodate the widening of Highway 101 in Sonoma County (larger project), the State of California, Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has requested Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to relocate approximately 6,800 feet of the existing Lakeville No. 2 60 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line. PG&E will replace (in place) two existing wood poles (approximately 47 feet tall) with two new wood poles (approximately 62 to 64 feet tall); and relocate 26 existing wood poles (approximately 43 to 62 feet tall) with 22 new wood poles (approximately 62 to 83 feet tall). The taller poles are needed to comply with CPUC General Order 95 minimum ground to conductor clearance requirements, while accommodating Caltrans proposed improvements and electric distribution and communication wires on the power line poles (underbuild). The relocation begins in Petaluma Boulevard South approximately 360 feet east of its intersection with Highway 101 and generally parallels the east side of the highway or the new proposed frontage roads, crossing Petaluma Boulevard South, a proposed Caltrans overcrossing, and Highway 101 until it terminates approximately 820 feet south of the intersection of Highway 101 and Kastania Road. Construction activities are scheduled to begin in November 2012, or as soon thereafter as possible, with completion in March 2013, or as soon thereafter as possible.

**Exemption from CPUC Authority:** 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:

- b. the replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures.
- f. power lines or substations to be relocated or constructed which have undergone environmental review pursuant to CEQA as part of a larger project, and for which the final CEQA document (Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or Negative Declaration) finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts caused by the proposed line or substation.

Caltrans and the Federal Highway Administration adopted an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) / Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) dated July 2009 for the Marin-Sonoma Narrows (MSN) HOV Widening Project, finding no significant unavoidable environmental impacts resulting from PG&E's required utility relocations (State Clearinghouse #2001042115).

**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 September 19, 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](mailto: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**

Lakeville No. 2 60 kV Power Line Relocation – Marin-Sonoma Narrows HOV Widening  
Project, Segment B2 - Sonoma County

### **Advice 4105-E**

#### **Energy Commission**

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

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

#### **California Department of Fish and Game**

Ms. Lorie Hammerli, Environmental Scientist  
California Department of Fish and Game, Bay Delta Region  
7329 Silverado Trail  
Napa, CA 94558

#### **County of Sonoma**

Ms. Jennifer Barrett, Deputy Director Planning  
County of Sonoma  
Permit and Resource Management Department  
2550 Ventura Avenue  
Santa Rosa, CA 94503

#### **Newspaper**

Petaluma Argus-Courier  
Santa Rosa Press Democrat

## PG&E Gas and Electric Advice Filing List

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