

April 18, 2001

**ADVICE 2311-G/2105-E**

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 M)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject:** Add Five (5) New Sites to Hazardous Substance Mechanism

**Purpose**

Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) hereby requests Commission approval to include five (5) additional sites in the Hazardous Substance Cost Recovery Account as referenced within gas and electric Preliminary Statements Part AN and Part S--*Hazardous Substance Mechanism*, in compliance with Decision (D.) 94-05-020. A description of each site is set forth in Attachment I to this filing. The sites are as follows:

<b>Site Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
1. El Cerrito Substation G	El Cerrito, California
2. King and Swett Ranches	Solano County, California
3. Lodi Service Center	Lodi, California
4. Former Oakland Substation H	Oakland, California
5. Patterson Substation	Patterson, California

**Background**

Decision (D.) 94-05-020 requires California utilities to file an advice letter in order to include additional sites as part of the Hazardous Substance Mechanism. For each site the advice letter shall list: 1) the name of the site(s); 2) the location of the site(s); 3) the source, nature and approximate date of the contamination; 4) utility operations (historical and current) at the site(s), if any; and 5) environmental agency actions and oversight regarding the site(s), if any.

In addition, D. 96-07-016 requires utilities to demonstrate that: 1) clean-up costs for which recovery is being sought are not being recovered through base rates or through any other recovery procedure, and 2) all of the costs for which recovery is being sought are hazardous waste clean-up costs (including insurance costs) found appropriate for recovery in the Collaborative Report.

In accordance with D. 94-05-020, this advice letter shall be treated as a compliance filing under General Order 96-A for Commission approval within forty (40) days after the filing, **May 28, 2001**, if no protest letters are received. If protests are received, the Commission will either issue a resolution, or require the utility to file an application seeking inclusion of specified costs in the Hazardous Substance Mechanism.

### **Protests**

Anyone wishing to protest this advice letter may do so by filing a protest with the CPUC and PG&E by **May 8, 2001**, within twenty (20) days after the date of this filing, at the following address:

IMC Branch Chief  
Energy Division  
California Public Utilities Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 4002  
San Francisco, California 94102  
Facsimile: (415) 703-2200

Copies should also be mailed to the attention of Director, Energy Division, and to Jerry Royer, Energy Division, at the address above. A copy of the protest should be sent by U.S. mail and via facsimile to:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
Attention: Les Guliasi  
Director, Regulatory Relations  
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C  
P.O. Box 770000  
San Francisco, California 94177  
Facsimile: (415) 973-7226

The protest shall set forth the grounds upon which it is based, and shall be submitted expeditiously. There is no restriction on who may file a protest.

### **Notice**

In accordance with General Order 96-A, Section III, Paragraph G, PG&E is electronically and postal mailing copies of this advice letter to the utilities and interested parties shown on the attached list. Address change requests should be directed to Nel Avendano, (415) 973-3529.

PG&E reserves all legal rights to challenge the decisions or statutes under which it has been required to make this advice filing, and nothing in this advice filing

constitutes a waiver of such rights. Also, PG&E reserves any additional legal rights to challenge the requirement to make this advice filing by reason of its status as a debtor under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, and nothing in this advice filing constitutes a waiver of such rights.

Vice President -- Regulatory Relations

Attachments