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Subject: Establishes Low-Income Energy Efficiency Memorandum Accounts

Dear Ms Smith:

Advice letter 2414-G/2290-E is effective September 19, 2002. A copy of the advice letter is included herewith for your records.

Sincerely,

Douglas Long
Energy Division

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Advice 2414-G/2290-E

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 M)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Establishes Gas and Electric and Low-Income Energy Efficiency Memorandum Accounts (LIEEMA)

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits for filing revisions to its gas and electric tariffs. The affected tariff sheets are listed on enclosed Attachment I.¹

Purpose

This filing complies with Resolution G-3340 issued on September 19, 2002. This filing submits proposed gas and electric memorandum accounts to record additional costs for continuing the Low-Income Energy Efficiency (LIEE) Program through the end of program year (PY) 2002, subject to reasonableness review and future collection in rates.

Background

On September 19, 2002, the Commission issued Resolution G-3340. This resolution orders PG&E to continue funding its LIEE programs through PY2002 up to the limits of PG&E's weatherization contractors' current contracts and orders PG&E to establish memorandum accounts to track costs for the gas and electric LIEE programs in excess of approved 2002 budget levels through the remainder of 2002. These accounts will be called the Low-Income Energy Efficiency Memorandum Accounts or "LIEEMA".

On September 19, 2002, PG&E sent out a letter to its prime LIEE contractor Richard Heath and Associates (RHA) and RHA's sub-contractors authorizing them to resume weatherization work up to their contract limits.

¹ 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.

Accounting Mechanisms

As ordered in Resolution G-3340, PG&E proposes to establish new electric Preliminary Statement Part AK - *Low-Income Energy Efficiency Memorandum Accounts (LIEEMA)*, and new gas Preliminary Statement Part AK - *Low-Income Energy Efficiency Memorandum Accounts (LIEEMA)*, to track the incremental costs for continuing the LIEE program through the end of PY2002.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by sending a letter by **October 29, 2002**, which is 20 days from the date of this filing. 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:

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California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor
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Protests also should be sent by e-mail and facsimile to Mr. Jerry Royer, Energy Division, as shown above, and by U.S. mail to Mr. Royer 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.

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
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Effective Date

PG&E requests that the tariff revisions submitted in this advice letter be considered effective as of **September 19, 2002**, which is the date that Resolution G-3340 was issued.

Notice

In accordance with General Order 96-A, Section III, Paragraph G, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and via U.S. mail to parties shown on the attached list and the parties on the service list for R. 01-08-027. Address changes should be directed to Rose Abao at (415) 973-2218. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at:

http://www.pge.com/customer_services/business/tariffs/

Vice President - Regulatory Relations

Attachments

cc: Service List – R. 01-08-027



PRELIMINARY STATEMENT
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AK. LOW INCOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (LIEEMA)

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1. PURPOSE:

The purpose of the LIEEMA is to record the incremental costs for continuing the Low Income Energy Efficiency (LIEE) program through the end of Program Year 2002, subject to reasonableness review and future collection in rates, as ordered in Resolution G-3340.

2. APPLICABILITY:

The LIEEMA shall apply to all customer classes, except for any classes that may be specifically excluded by the CPUC.

3. REVISION DATE:

Disposition of amounts in this account shall be determined in the Biennial Cost Allocation Proceeding (BCAP), or other proceeding as authorized by the CPUC.

4. RATES:

This account does not have a rate component.

5. ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE:

PG&E shall maintain the LIEEMA by making entries at the end of each month as follows:

- a. A debit entry equal to the incremental gas portion of LIEE costs for continuing the LIEE program through the end of 2002.
- b. A debit entry equal to the interest on the average of the balance at the beginning of the month and the balance after the entries 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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