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Advice Letter 3252-G

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**Subject: Revision to Gas Preliminary Statement Part BB – Public Purpose
Program Surcharge Memorandum Account**

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letter 3252-G is effective December 1, 2011.

Sincerely,

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

Edward F. Randolph, Director
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November 1, 2011

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(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U39M)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Revision to Gas Preliminary Statement Part BB – Public Purpose Program Surcharge Memorandum Account

Purpose

The purpose of this advice letter is to revise Gas Preliminary Statement Part BB – Public Purpose Program Memorandum Account (PPP-MA).

Background

The PPP-MA tracks the Gas Public Purpose Program (PPP) surcharges collected from customers that PG&E remits quarterly to the California State Board of Equalization and the amount returned to PG&E to fund, in part, its energy efficiency program activities.¹ Funds that are remitted to the State are held in the State's Gas Consumption Surcharge Fund before being returned to PG&E. In accordance with Decision 04-08-010 that implemented Public Utilities Code Sections 892 and 892.1, the energy efficiency funds are generally returned to PG&E, along with other PPP program funds collected through Gas PPP Surcharges. However, under the provisions of Senate Bill (SB) 87, chaptered on June 30, 2011, the State is authorized to transfer monies from the Gas Consumption Surcharge Fund to the General Fund during fiscal year 2011-2012.

Decision 11-10-014 dated October 6, 2011, authorizes PG&E to use available unspent energy efficiency funds as a backstop in case gas surcharges are not returned to PG&E to fund its energy efficiency programs. In that event, the proposed revision to Accounting Procedure entry 6.b will allow PG&E to record a credit entry in the PPP-MA to offset the loss of energy efficiency program funding to the State's General Fund.

¹ Gas PPP surcharges fund the gas portion of PG&E's Energy Efficiency and Energy Savings Assistance programs, the California Alternative Rates for Energy (CARE) administrative program costs, the State Board of Equalization's administrative costs, and the Gas Public Interest Research and Development program administered by the California Energy Commission.

Tariff Revisions

PG&E proposes to add the following text to the Accounting Procedure section of the PPP-MA, as shown in bold, below:

- b. a credit entry equal to the RDD and BOE/Commission administrative surcharge amounts, **or other amounts** included in entry 6.a., which will not be returned to PG&E;

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 **November 21, 2011**, 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: ijnj@cpuc.ca.gov and mas@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:

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San Francisco, California 94177

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

Effective Date

PG&E requests that this Tier 2 advice filing become effective on regular notice, **December 1, 2011**, which is 30 calendar days after the date of 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. Address changes to the General Order 96-B service list should be directed to PG&E at email address PGETariffs@pge.com. For changes to any other service list, please contact the Commission's Process Office at (415) 703-2021 or at Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov. Send all electronic approvals to 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 stylized flourish.

Vice President, Regulation and Rates

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 M)**

Utility type:

ELC

GAS

PLC

HEAT

WATER

Contact Person: Greg Backens

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EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

ELC = Electric

GAS = Gas

PLC = Pipeline

HEAT = Heat WATER = Water

(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: **3252-G**

Tier: 2

Subject of AL: **Revision to Gas Preliminary Statement Part BB – Public Purpose Program Surcharge Memorandum Account**

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Memorandum Account

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

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: N/A.

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

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: **December 1, 2011**

No. of tariff sheets: 3

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: Gas Preliminary Statement Part BB – Public Purpose Program Surcharge Memorandum Account

Service affected and changes proposed:

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

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**ATTACHMENT 1
Advice 3252-G**

**Cal P.U.C.
Sheet No.**

Title of Sheet

**Cancelling Cal
P.U.C. Sheet No.**

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GAS PRELIMINARY STATEMENT PART BB
PUBLIC PURPOSE PROGRAM SURCHARGE MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT

Sheet 2

BB. PUBLIC PURPOSE PROGRAM SURCHARGE MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (PPP-MA)

6. ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE: PG&E is authorized to maintain the PPP-MA by making the following entries:

- a. a debit entry equal to the gas PPP surcharge amounts remitted quarterly to the BOE;
- b. a credit entry equal to the RDD and BOE/Commission administrative surcharge amounts, or other amounts included in entry 6.a., which will not be returned to PG&E; (T)
- c. a credit entry equal to the surcharge amounts received from the Fund; (T)
- d. a debit entry to transfer any interstate pipeline and third party surcharge amounts included in entry 6.c. above, to the applicable PPP balancing account;
- e. an entry to transfer the interest portion of the balance in the account to the applicable PPP balancing accounts for recovery in gas PPP surcharge rates; and
- f. an entry equal to the interest on the average balance in the account at the beginning of the month and the balance in the account after entries 6.a through 6.e, 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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Issued by
Brian K. Cherry
 Vice President
 Regulation and Rates

Date Filed November 1, 2011
 Effective December 1, 2011
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