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Advice Letters 3281-G

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**Subject: Residential Gas Baseline Quantity and Rate Revision in Accordance with
Decision 11-12-053**

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letter 3281-G is effective April 1, 2012.

Sincerely,

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

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Advice 3281-G
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U39G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Residential Gas Baseline Quantity and Rate Revision in
Accordance with Decision 11-12-053**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits for filing revisions to its gas tariffs.

Purpose

The purpose of this filing is to revise PG&E's residential gas baseline quantities and rates in accordance with PG&E's 2011 General Rate Case (GRC) Phase 2 Decision (D.) 11-12-053.

Baseline Quantity Change

In D.86-12-091 and D.89-12-057, the Commission provides that baseline quantities be revised annually until target levels established in PG&E's GRCs are reached. Target quantities are based on a percentage of average residential usage in each baseline territory and are achieved by a gradual phase-in process so that no customer will see an increase on their bill of more than 5 percent (10 percent for customers on Schedule GM – Master Metered Multifamily Service).

PG&E's 2011 GRC Phase 2 D.11-12-053¹ established the following new baseline targets for PG&E's residential customers.

¹ The new Gas Baseline Quantities can be found in Decision 11-12-053 pages 33-34, and Appendix E. Attachment 1 to Appendix E has the chart of new Gas Baseline Quantities.

Residential Target Baseline Quantities
(Therms per Day)

Baseline Territory	G-1, GS, GT (and CARE)				GM (and CARE)			
	Summer		Winter		Summer		Winter	
	Current	Target	Current	Target	Current	Target	Current	Target
P	0.49	0.46	2.18	2.18	0.36	0.33	0.99	1.06
Q	0.69	0.65	2.05	2.02	0.59	0.59	0.83	0.79
R	0.49	0.43	1.85	1.82	0.49	0.36	1.72	1.26
S	0.49	0.46	1.95	1.92	0.36	0.33	0.76	0.66
T	0.69	0.65	1.79	1.79	0.59	0.59	1.16	1.12
V	0.72	0.69	1.72	1.79	0.56	0.56	1.16	1.22
W	0.49	0.46	1.79	1.69	0.33	0.29	0.99	0.89
X	0.62	0.59	2.05	2.02	0.39	0.36	0.83	0.79
Y	0.88	0.82	2.64	2.64	0.62	0.49	1.09	1.06

The baseline targets adopted in D.11-12-053, as shown above, do not differ significantly from the PG&E baseline allowances that are currently in effect. Consequently, PG&E is able to fully implement the baseline targets adopted in D.11-12-053 without a resulting residential bill increase of more than 5 percent (10 percent for customers on Schedule GM – Master Metered Multifamily Service).

April 2012 Residential Transportation Rate Changes

PG&E's baseline quantity change will have the following stand-alone² impacts on PG&E's residential transportation rates effective April 1, 2012.

Residential Transportation Rates

Baseline Quantity Change

(\$ per Therm)

Residential	Present Rate (Effective 1/1/12)	Revised Rate
Jan-Mar; Nov-Dec:		
Tier 1 (Baseline)	\$0.49375	\$0.49080
Tier 2 (Excess)	\$0.78999	\$0.78529
Apr-Oct Rates:		
Tier 1 (Baseline)	\$0.51864	\$0.51543
Tier 2 (Excess)	\$0.82983	\$0.82469
Class Average	\$.54088	\$.54088

² This filing is only intended to show the stand-alone April 1, 2012 residential rate changes due to the change in the baseline quantities adopted per D.11-12-053 and illustrating that the average residential class rate remains the same. PG&E anticipates other April 1, 2012 transportation rate changes: Core De-averaging as adopted in PG&E's 2010 BCAP D.10-06-035 and the recovery of the 2012 Winter Gas Savings Program Costs from residential customers per AL 3257-G-A.

Tariff Revisions

PG&E will incorporate these revised baseline allowance and residential transportation rate changes in the tariffs filed in its monthly core procurement rate filing for rates effective April 1, 2012. The affected gas tariffs are G-1 – *Residential Service*, GM – *Master-Metered Multifamily Service*, GS – *Multifamily Service*, GT – *Mobilehome Park Service*, G1-NGV – *Residential Natural Gas Service for Compression on Customers' Premises*, GL-1 – *Residential CARE Program Service*, GML – *Master-Metered Multifamily CARE Program Service*, GSL – *Multi family CARE Program Service*, GTL – *Mobilehome Park CARE Program Service*, and GL1-NGV – *Residential CARE Program Natural Gas Service for Compression on Customers' Premises*.

Effective Date

PG&E requests that this Tier 2 advice filing be approved effective **April 1, 2012**.

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 **March 20, 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: jnj@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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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 Service List for Application 10-03-014. Address changes to the General Order 96-B service list and electronic approvals should be directed to e-mail 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. Advice letter filings can be accessed electronically at: <http://www.pge.com/tariffs>.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brian Cherry" followed by a circular stamp containing the number "75".

Vice President, Regulation and Rates

cc: Service List for A.10-03-014

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 G)**

Utility type:

ELC GAS
 PLC HEAT WATER

Contact Person: Britta Brown

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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) #: **3281-G**

Tier: 2

Subject of AL: **Residential Gas Baseline Quantity and Rate Revision in Accordance with Decision 11-12-053**

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): **Compliance, Baseline**

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

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: **D. 11-12-053**

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:

Is AL requesting confidential treatment? If so, what information is the utility seeking confidential treatment for: No

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: _____

Resolution Required? Yes No

Requested effective date: **April 1, 2012**

No. of tariff sheets: **0**

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:

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

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