

May 29, 2001

Advice 2115-E-A

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 E)

Subject: Revises Schedule E-SLRP—Scheduled Load Reduction Program

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

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

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.

Purpose

In compliance with Resolution (R.) E-3739 issued May 24, 2001, PG&E is submitting this supplemental advice filing to revise Schedule E-SLRP—Scheduled Load Reduction Program, for implementation by May 30, 2001.

Background

Schedule E-SLRP was originally filed in Advice 2115-E dated May 9, 2001, in compliance with Section 9 of Senate Bill (SB) X1-5 issued April 11, 2001. SB X1-5 revised the Public Utilities Code, adding Section 740.10, which includes the SLRP as an interruptible program option offered by California utilities. It was mandated in SB X1-5 that each utility was to develop and offer its customers a Scheduled Load Reduction Program on or before May 30, 2001. In Decision 01-04-006 (Rulemaking 01-10-002), the Commission directed PG&E, Southern California Edison Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company to advice-file tariffs for their Scheduled Load Reduction Programs. R. E-3739 directs the utilities to file supplemental advice filings to make certain modifications to their SLRP tariffs to improve implementation.

Tariff Revisions

In accordance with R. E-3739, Schedule E-SLRP is revised to reflect the following changes:

- PG&E will provide and install an interval meter at no cost to the customer for participation in the SLRP, if an interval meter is unavailable. Customers receiving an interval meter at no cost must remain in the program for one year and fully comply in at least ten events.
- The SLRP program will operate from June 1 through September 30.
- A four-hour morning block, from 8 a.m. to 12 Noon, is added to the SLRP curtailment option time periods.
- A 10-day rolling average, similar day, baseline amount has been adopted, excluding days when the customer is paid to reduce loads or is subject to a rotating outage or Optional Binding Mandatory Curtailment (OBMC) event.
- A SLRP load-shifting prevention measure has been adopted, which compares the customer's posted on-peak (12 Noon to 6 p.m.) baseline amount with that of the next four weekdays, unaffected by program operations, and excluding holidays. (See below)
- The SLRP's daily cap has been increased to a maximum total of 300 megawatts (MW) of estimated contracted Curtailment Reduction Amount for any given day, and 100 megawatts (MW) of estimated contracted Curtailment Reduction Amount for any given SLRP Option time period.
- Customers who meet the minimum load reduction threshold will receive an incentive level of \$0.10 per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for reduced energy during their selected SLRP curtailment option time period(s).

In Form 79-976—Interruptible Program Agreement, a reference to Schedule E-VDRP is deleted in the Attachments section from the No Insurance Declaration, since penalties do not apply to Schedule E-VDRP.

SLRP Load Shifting Preventative Measures

Resolution E-3739 recommends measures to prevent SLRP participants from shifting their curtailed load to an on-peak time period (12 Noon to 6 p.m.) on another day. Given that R. E-3739 adopts a 10-day rolling average, similar day baseline, PG&E proposes to use the same baseline to determine on-peak load shifting. The SLRP participant's energy usage (kWh) during the on-peak period for the four weekdays following a curtailment, unaffected by program operations and excluding

holidays, will be reviewed and evaluated, and cannot exceed the customer's posted on-peak baseline amount for the SLRP operation day. Failure to meet this limitation in any of the four review days will result in non-compliance, and no incentive payment for that respective SLRP operation day.

The 10-day average baseline should closely reflect the customer's daily usage and accounts for conservation efforts, growth or reduction in demand due to the economy, and general daily load fluctuations within the customer's facility. Comparing the four weekdays following an event, unaffected by program operations and excluding holidays, to the 10-day average baseline, will indicate whether or not load has been shifted to an on-peak period of another day. This evaluation, and possible loss of incentive payment, should act as an appropriate deterrent to shifting load to another on-peak time by a customer.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by sending a letter within 20 days of 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:

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

Copies should also be mailed to the attention of the Director, Energy Division, Room 4005 and Jerry Royer, Energy Division, at the address shown above. It is also requested that a copy of the protest be sent via postal mail and facsimile to Pacific Gas and Electric Company 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, Mailcode B10C
P.O. Box 770000
San Francisco, CA 94177
Facsimile: (415) 973-7226

Effective Date

In accordance with SB X1-5 and R. E-3739, PG&E requests that this advice filing become effective on **May 30, 2001**.

Notice

In accordance with Section III, Paragraph G, of General Order 96-A, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and via U.S. mail to parties shown on the attached list, and the service list parties for R. 00-10-002. Address changes should be directed to Nelia Avendano at (415) 973-3529. 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. 00-10-002



SCHEDULE E-SLRP – SCHEDULED LOAD REDUCTION PROGRAM

APPLICABILITY: This schedule is available May 30, 2001, through December 31, 2002. The Scheduled Load Reduction Program (Program) is intended to give customers the ability to provide load reductions on PG&E's system at pre-scheduled times. Participants must identify a specific four (4) hour time period(s), up to three times per week, that is coincident with the California Independent System Operator's (CAISO) system peak conditions as specified in the SLRP Option Section. During the summer season (June 1 through September 30), the customer commits to reduce their load, and load that is curtailed during an E-SLRP event may not be shifted to another time. Compliance to curtailment is mandatory under the Program and the customer must curtail during its selected SLRP option. This Program may be closed by PG&E without notice when the interruptible program limits set forth by the CPUC have been fully subscribed. (N) (T) (T)

TERRITORY: This schedule applies everywhere PG&E provides service.

ELIGIBILITY: This schedule is available to PG&E's bundled-service customers on a first-come, first-served basis. Each customer must take service under the provisions of rate Schedules A-10, E-19 (including voluntary), or E-20, or their successors, to participate in the Program and have a minimum average monthly demand of 100 kilowatts (kW). Customers participating in the Program must commit to reduce load by at least fifteen percent (15%) of the customer baseline usage, with a minimum load reduction of 100 kW, as described in the Program Operations Section of this schedule. (T)

Bundled-service customers whose commodity portion of their bill is otherwise calculated as the sum of the products of the customer-specific hourly load and the hourly commodity price are not eligible to take service under this schedule.

Customers must submit a signed Interruptible Program Agreement (Form 79-976), an Inter-Act Agreement, and complete a Customer Enrollment Questionnaire in order to establish service. Participants in this Program must designate on the Interruptible Program Agreement a SLRP option in which the customer will reduce their loads when requested (see Program Operation section for details) and the estimated minimum number of kW reduction ("Curtailed Reduction Amount") by which the customer will reduce its load during a Program operation. The Program is limited to a maximum total of 300 megawatts (MW) of estimated contracted Curtailed Reduction Amount for any given day, and 100 megawatts (MW) of estimated contracted Curtailed Reduction Amount for any given SLRP Option time period. (T) (N) (N) (D)

Customer's participation in the Program can only become effective after PG&E determines the customer has complied with all the terms and conditions of this schedule.

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SCHEDULE E-SLRP – SCHEDULED LOAD REDUCTION PROGRAM
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ELIGIBILITY: Customers who are deemed essential under the Electric Emergency Plan as adopted in Decision 01-04-006 and Rulemaking 00-10-002, must submit to PG&E a written declaration that states that the customer is, to the best of that customer's understanding, an essential customer under Commission rules and exempt from rotating outages. It must also state that the customer voluntarily elects to participate in an interruptible program for part or all of its load based on adequate backup generation or other means to interrupt load upon request by the respondent utility, while continuing to meet its essential needs. In addition, an essential customer may commit no more than 50% of its average peak load to interruptible programs.

METERING EQUIPMENT: Each account must have a telephone-accessible interval meter installed that can be read remotely by PG&E. Metering and telephone equipment must be in operation for at least 10 days prior to participating in the Program to establish baseline. If required, PG&E will provide and install the metering equipment at no cost to the customer. The customer is responsible for the installation and monthly fees associated with telephone equipment and a dedicated line required for the remote reading or monitoring of the interval meter.

Customers receiving an interval meter at no charge from PG&E through this Program will be able to continue to use it at no additional cost even after the program is terminated, provided that the customer remained in the Program continuously for a minimum period of one year. A customer who receives an interval meter through this Program, but who: 1) later elects to leave the Program prior to the one-year anniversary date, or 2) fails to fully comply in at least 10 events in a 12-month period; or 3) is terminated for non-compliance, will reimburse PG&E for all expenses associated with the installation and maintenance of the meter. Such charges will be collected as a one-time payment pursuant to Electric Rule 2, Section I, and any failure to pay such charges will subject the customer to service termination pursuant to Electric Rule 11, Section K.

SLRP OPTIONS: Participants in the Program will elect on the Interruptible Program Agreement a specific SLRP option(s). The SLRP option(s) corresponds with the day of the week and the time the customer agrees to reduce load. Participants on this Program will be required to curtail only during the summer season (June 1 through September 30) during the time period that corresponds with the customer's elected SLRP option(s). Participants must make an election of up to three of the following options per week, with no more than two of the SLRP options occurring during the same time period:

SLRP Options

<u>Day of Week</u>	<u>Time Period</u>	<u>Time Period</u>	<u>Time Period</u>
	8 a.m. – 12 Noon.	12 Noon – 4 p.m.	4 p.m. – 8 p.m.
1. Monday	1A	1B	1C
2. Tuesday	2A	2B	2C
3. Wednesday	3A	3B	3C
4. Thursday	4A	4B	4C
5. Friday	5A	5B	5C

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SCHEDULE E-SLRP – SCHEDULED LOAD REDUCTION PROGRAM
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PROGRAM OPERATIONS:	<p>During the summer season (June 1 through September 30) a Scheduled Load Reduction Program event may occur up to fifteen times per week, three times each day, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.</p> <p>Participants in the Program are required to reduce their load by at least fifteen percent (15%) of the customer-specific baseline usage, with a minimum load reduction of 100 kilowatts (kW) during the time period that corresponds with the customer's elected SLRP option(s) as stated on the Interruptible Program Agreement.</p> <p>The customer's specific baseline is based on the average of the immediate past 10 similar days. Similar days are weekdays, excluding holidays. The baseline will be calculated on an hourly basis using the average of the same actual curtailment hour for the 10 days. The 10 similar days will exclude days when the customer was paid to reduce load or was subject to a rotating outage, or subject to an Optional Binding Mandatory Curtailment (OBMC) event.</p> <p>For the duration of the contract, participants are required to comply and reduce load each and every time their elected SLRP option(s) (day of the week and corresponding elected time) occurs. The customer will not receive any type of notification to reduce load under the Program, but it is the customer's responsibility to take the appropriate actions necessary to comply with the load reduction when their elected SLRP option(s) occurs.</p> <p>If the customer is in non-compliance with the terms and conditions of this schedule PG&E reserves the right to terminate the Agreement and remove the customer from this Program.</p>	<p>(T) (T)</p> <p>(N) (N)</p>
INCENTIVE PAYMENT:	<p>PG&E will evaluate and pay for the customer load reductions realized under the Program within a period no longer than ninety (90) days after each curtailment event, depending on where the curtailment event falls within the participant's actual billing cycle. The incentive payments will be reflected in the customer's regular monthly bill as an adjustment. The customer's total monthly bill for service, including the SLRP Incentive Payment, shall always be a positive value, or zero.</p> <p>Energy reduction will be determined as the difference between a customer's specific baseline for the actual curtailment hours and the customer's actual energy usage during those same hours during the summer season (June 1 through September 30). If this difference does not meet the minimum load reduction stated in the Eligibility Section of this schedule, no incentive payment will be made. Incentive payments will be calculated by multiplying the kilowatt-hour (kWh) of reduced energy during the curtailment event by an incentive level that is based on the customer's elected SLRP Option.</p> <p>Customers who meet the minimum load reduction threshold will receive an incentive level of \$0.10 per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for reduced energy.</p> <p>PG&E may, at its discretion, elect to evaluate and pay out the incentives associated with several events together in a single payment.</p>	<p>(T) (T)</p> <p>(T) (N)</p>

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PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
INTERRUPTIBLE PROGRAM AGREEMENT
FORM NO. 79-976 (5/01)
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Advice Letter No. 2115-E-A
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DeAnn Hapner
Vice President
Regulatory Relations

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