

March 20, 2002

ADVICE 2208-E
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: **Notice of Proposed Construction of Facilities Pursuant to
General Order 131-D to serve GWF Henrietta Peaker Plant in
Kings County**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits notice pursuant to General Order (G.O.) 131-D, Section XI, Subsection B.4 of the construction of facilities that are exempt from a Permit to Construct.¹

Purpose

This advice letter provides a copy of the Notice of Proposed Construction (Attachment I) and the Notice Distribution List, which comply with the noticing requirements found in G.O. 131-D, Section XI, Subsections B and C.

Background

GWF Power Systems Co., INC. has requested PG&E to interconnect their proposed 95.8 megawatt (mW) generation plant located adjacent to PG&E's Henrietta Substation on 25th Avenue, south of Highway 198, in the unincorporated area of the County of Kings. Power will be transmitted through a new 70,000 Kilovolt (kV) wood pole line located within PG&E's substation property and project boundary. PG&E will construct approximately 600 feet of new line for this project that includes 4 structures. In addition, PG&E will relocate approximately 600 feet of PG&E's Guernsey-Henrietta 70 kV line within the existing Henrietta Substation. Construction is scheduled for May 2002.

Pursuant to Section III, Paragraph B, Subsection 1(f) of G.O. 131-D, the construction of this power line is exempt from a Permit to Construct. Subsection

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.

1(f) states, "power lines or substations to be relocated or constructed which have undergone environmental review pursuant to CEQA as part of a larger project, and for which the final CEQA document (Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or Negative Declaration) finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts caused by the proposed line or substation". GWF filed Docket No. 01-AFC-18 with the California Energy Commission that was approved for construction on March 5, 2002 finding no significant direct, indirect, or cumulative adverse environmental impacts.

- Additionally, G.O. 131-D requires utilities to employ "no cost" and specified "low cost" measures to reduce public exposure to electric and magnetic fields (EMFs). PG&E will locate new facilities within the existing Henrietta Substation that is only accessible to utility workers. There are no low cost or no cost measures to apply.

This filing will not increase any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, or conflict with any other rate schedule or rule.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by filing a protest with the CPUC and PG&E by **April 9, 2002**, at the following address:

Director, Energy Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, Fourth Floor
San Francisco, California 94102
Facsimile: (415) 703-2200

In addition, protests and all other correspondence regarding this advice letter should also be sent by letter and transmitted via facsimile to the attention of:

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Persons or groups may protest the proposed construction if they believe that PG&E has incorrectly applied for an exemption or that the conditions set out in G.O. 131-D, Section III.B.2, exist.

Effective Date

PG&E requests that this advice filing become effective on **April 29, 2002**, which is 40 days after the date of filing. (In accordance with G.O. 131-D, construction will not begin until 45 days after notice is first published.)

Notice

In accordance with G.O. 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, including the parties listed in G.O. 131-D, Section XI, Paragraphs B.1 and B.2. These parties are identified in the "Notice Distribution List" included in Attachment I. Address change requests 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: Parties Listed in G.O. 131-D, Paragraphs B.1 and B.2

bcc: John Hagen
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