June 8, 2009

Brian K. Cherry
Vice President, Regulatory Relations
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
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P.O. Box 770000
San Francisco, CA 94177

Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Surf Tap 115 kV Realignment Project, County of Santa Barbara

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letter 3412-E is effective February 26, 2009.

Sincerely,

Julie A. Fitch, Director
Energy Division
January 27, 2009

Advice 3412-E
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Surf Tap 115kV Realignment Project, County of Santa Barbara

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (the Company) 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.

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.

Background

At the request of the Vandenberg Air Force Base, Santa Barbara County, the Company is proposing to raise and realign approximately 1030 feet of its existing Surf Tap 115kV power line (minor relocation to remove it from cultural resource areas and to allow Vandenberg Air Force Base equipment to travel safely under the power line). One existing approximately 85-foot wood pole is to be replaced with one approximately 45-foot taller tubular steel pole, and one additional tubular steel pole, approximately 130 feet in height, will be added to the existing power line. The project begins just east of the Surf Tap Substation, located approximately 1400 feet northwesterly of the Spin Road and West Ocean Avenue intersection (Santa Barbara County), and extends east approximately 230 feet (within Vandenberg Air Force Base) across the southerly portion of West Ocean Avenue, where the additional tubular steel pole is to be placed, and continues east for another approximately 800 feet. Because portions of the existing alignment are within areas of cultural significance as documented by Vandenberg Air Force Base, the project has been designed to minimize impacts associated with those resources. The project has also been scheduled and designed to avoid impacts to biological resources. Construction is scheduled to begin in March 2009, and the new facilities are planned to be in operation beginning in May 2009, or as soon as possible thereafter.
This project qualifies as exempt from Permit to Construct filing requirements, pursuant to G.O. 131-D, Section III, B.1, which states that a Permit to Construct is not required for:

- “The minor relocation of existing power line facilities up to 2,000 feet in length, or the intersetting of additional support structures between existing support structures.”

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 **February 17, 2009**, which is 21 days after the date of this filing.¹ 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:

David T. Kraska  
Attorney, Law Department  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
P.O. Box 7442  
San Francisco, California  94120  

Facsimile: (415) 973-0516

¹ The 20-day protest period concludes on a holiday. PG&E is hereby moving this date to the following business day.
Persons or groups may protest the proposed construction if they believe that the Company has incorrectly applied for an exemption or that the conditions set out in Section III.B.2 of G.O. 131-D exist.

**Effective Date**

The Company requests that this advice filing become effective on **February 26, 2009**, which is 30 calendar 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-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, 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 changes to the General Order 96-B service list should be directed to Rose de la Torre at (415) 973-4716. Send all electronic approvals to PGETariffs@pge.com. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at: [http://www.pge.com/tariffs](http://www.pge.com/tariffs).

Vice President, Regulatory Relations

Attachment

cc: Parties Listed in G.O. 131-D, Paragraphs B.1 and B.2
CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY
ENERGY UTILITY

MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)

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<th>Company name/CPUC Utility No.</th>
<th>Pacific Gas and Electric Company (ID U39 M)</th>
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<td>Contact Person: Linda Tom-Martinez Phone #: (415) 973-4612</td>
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<td>☑ PLC ☐ HEAT ☐ WATER</td>
<td>E-mail: <a href="mailto:lmtl1@pge.com">lmtl1@pge.com</a></td>
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NAME: SURF TAP 115KV REALIGNMENT PROJECT, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 3412-E

Proposed Project: At the request of the Vandenberg Air Force Base, Santa Barbara County, Pacific Gas & Electric is proposing to raise and realign approximately 1030 feet of its existing Surf Tap 115Kv power line (minor relocation to remove it from cultural resource areas and to allow Vandenberg Air Force Base equipment to travel safely under the power line). One existing approximately 85-foot wood pole is to be replaced with one approximately 45-foot taller tubular steel pole, and one additional tubular steel pole, approximately 130 feet in height, will be added to the existing power line. The project begins just east of the Surf Tap Substation, located approximately 1400 feet northwesterly of the Spin Road and West Ocean Avenue intersection (Santa Barbara County), and extends east approximately 230 feet (within Vandenberg Air Force Base) across the southerly portion of West Ocean Avenue, where the additional tubular steel pole is to be placed, and continues east for another approximately 800 feet. Because portions of the existing alignment are within areas of cultural significance as documented by Vandenberg Air Force Base, the project has been designed to minimize impacts associated with those resources. The project has also been scheduled and designed to avoid impacts to biological resources. Construction is scheduled to begin in March 2009, and the new facilities are planned to be in operation beginning in May 2009, or as soon as possible thereafter.

Exemption from CPUC Permit Requirement: CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III.B.1, exempts projects meeting specific conditions from the CPUC’s requirement to file an application requesting authority to construct. Pacific Gas and Electric Company believes this project qualifies for the following exemption:

- (c.) “The minor relocation of existing power line facilities up to 2,000 feet in length, or the intersetting of additional support structures between existing support structures.”

Public Review Process: Persons or groups may protest the proposed construction if they believe that Pacific Gas and Electric Company has incorrectly applied for an exemption or that the conditions set out in Section III.B.2 of General Order 131-D exist;

a. There is reasonable possibility that the activity may have an impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies; or
b. The cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time, is significant; or
c. There is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.

Protests should include the following:

1. Your name, mailing address and daytime telephone number.
2. Reference to the CPUC Advice Letter Number and Project Name.
3. A clear description of the reason for the protest.
4. Whether you believe that evidentiary hearings are necessary to resolve factual disputes.

Protests for this project must be filed by February 17, 2009, at the following address:

CPUC Energy Division
Attn: Tariff Unit, 4th Floor
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102

With a copy mailed to:

David Kraska, Law Department
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
P.O. Box 7442
San Francisco, California 94120

Pacific Gas and Electric Company must respond within five business days of receipt and serve copies of its response on each protestant and the Energy Division. Within 30 days after Pacific Gas and Electric Company has submitted its response, the Executive Director of the CPUC will send you a copy of an Executive Resolution granting or denying the request and stating the reasons for the decision.

Assistance in Filing a Protest: For assistance in filing a protest, contact the CPUC Public Advisor in San Francisco at (415) 703-2074 or 1-866-849-8390 (toll-free) or TTY (415) 703-5258 or public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov.

Additional Project Information: To obtain further information on the proposed project, please call Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s Project Information Line at (415) 973-5530.
Notice Distribution List

SURF TAP 115KV REALIGNMENT PROJECT
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
Advice 3412-E

Energy Commission

Ms. Melissa Jones, Executive Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

Mr. Terry O’Brien, Deputy Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

County of Santa Barbara

Planning and Development Department
Ms. Dianne Black, Director Development Services
123 East Anapamu St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101-2058

Vandenberg Air Force Base
Bradley G. King
Utility Engineer / Energy Manager
30 CES/CEOEO
1172 Iceland Avenue, Bldg 11439
Vandenberg AFB, CA 93437

Newspaper

Santa Barbara News-Press
Aglet
Agnews Developmental Center
Alcantar & Kahl
Ancillary Services Coalition
Anderson & Poole
Arizona Public Service Company
BART
BP Energy Company
Barkovich & Yap, Inc.
Bartle Wells Associates
Blue Ridge Gas
Braun & Associates
C & H Sugar Co.
CA Bldg Industry Association
CAISO
CLECA Law Office
CSC Energy Services
California Cotton Ginners & Growers Assn
California Energy Commission
California League of Food Processors
California Public Utilities Commission
Calpine
Cameron McKenna
Cardinal Cogen
Casner, Steve
Cerox
Chamberlain, Eric
Chevron Company
Chris, King
City of Glendale
City of Palo Alto
City of San Jose
Clean Energy Fuels
Coast Economic Consulting
Commerce Energy
Commercial Energy
Constellation
Constellation New Energy
Consumer Federation of California
Crossborder Energy
Davis Wright Tremaine LLP
Day Carter Murphy
Defense Energy Support Center
Department of Water Resources
Department of the Army
Dept of General Services
Division of Business Advisory Services
Douglas & Liddell
Douglass & Liddell
Downey & Brand
Duke Energy
Duncan, Virgil E.
Dutcher, John
Ellison Schneider & Harris LLP
Energy Management Services, LLC
FPL Energy Project Management, Inc.
Foster Farms
Foster, Wheeler, Martinez
Franciscan Mobilehome
G. A. Krause & Assoc.
GLJ Publications
Goodin, MacBride, Squeri, Schlotz & Ritchie
Green Power Institute
Hanna & Morton
Heeg, Peggy A.
Hitachi
Hogan Manufacturing, Inc.
Imperial Irrigation District
Inercite
International Power Technology
Intestate Gas Services, Inc.
J. R. Wood, Inc.
JTM, Inc.
Los Angeles Dept of Water & Power
Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps LLP
MBMC, Inc.
MRW & Associates
Manatt Phelps Phillips
Matthew V. Brady & Associates
McKenzie & Associates
Meek, Daniel W.
Merced Irrigation District
Mirant
Modesto Irrigation District
Morgan Stanley
Morrison & Foerster
New United Motor Mfg., Inc.
Norris & Wong Associates
North Coast SolarResources
Northern California Power Association
Occidental Energy Marketing, Inc.
OnGrid Solar
PPL EnergyPlus, LLC
Pinnacle CNG Company
Praxair
R. W. Beck & Associates
RCS, Inc.
RMC Lonestar
Recon Research
SCD Energy Solutions
SCE
SESCO
SMUD
SPURR
Santa Fe Jets
Seattle City Light
Sempra Utilities
Sequoia Union HS Dist
Sierra Pacific Power Company
Silicon Valley Power
Smurfit Stone Container Corp
Southern California Edison Company
St. Paul Assoc.
Sunshine Design
Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan
TFS Energy
Tabors Caramanis & Associates
Tecogen, Inc.
Tiger Natural Gas, Inc.
Tioga Energy
TransCanada
Turlock Irrigation District
U S Borax, Inc.
United Cogen
Utility Cost Management
Utility Resource Network
Utility Specialists
Vandenberg Air Force
Verizon
Wellhead Electric Company
Western Manufactured Housing
Communities Association (WMA)
White & Case
eMeter Corporation