December 1, 2009

Advice Letter 3539-E

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San Francisco, CA  94177  

Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to G.O. 131-D, for the Lincoln 1103 12kV Relocation Project, County of Placer

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letter 3539-E is effective November 15, 2009.

Sincerely,

Julie A. Fitch, Director  
Energy Division
October 16, 2009

Advice 3539-E
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Lincoln 1103 12 kV Relocation Project, County of Placer

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (“PG&E” or “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

Caltrans is currently constructing its Route 65 Lincoln Bypass Project at Wise Road between Dowd Road and Highway 65 in Placer County, and has requested PG&E to relocate approximately 3,581 feet of the existing Lincoln 1103 12 kV power line that parallels Wise Road in this location. PG&E will relocate the line from its present location on the south side of Wise Road into an existing public utility easement (existing easement) approximately 50 to 300 feet to the north of the present location on Wise Road between Dowd Road and Highway 65. In order to accommodate a future 115 kV power line project planned between Lincoln and Rio Oso substations, the relocated line will be constructed to hold both 115 kV and 12 kV lines. To accomplish this, and to ensure legal ground to conductor clearance for the proposed highway crossing, 15 wood poles that are 35 to 40 feet tall will be replaced with eight approximately 32 to 37 feet taller wood poles and six approximately 40 to 45 feet taller tubular steel poles (TSP). Construction is scheduled to begin in December 2009 or as soon thereafter as possible, with completion in approximately four weeks or as soon as possible after construction begins.

CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, Subsection B.1.g, exempts projects meeting specific conditions from the CPUC’s requirement to file an application requesting...
authority to construct. The Company believes this project qualifies for the following exemption(s):

- “Power line facilities or substations to be located in an existing franchise, road-widening setback easement, or public utility easement; or in a utility corridor designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies for which a final Negative Declaration or EIR finds no significant unavoidable 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) in accordance with CPUC Decision 06-01-042 and the “EMF Guidelines for Electrical Facilities.” The following measures are proposed for this project:

- Because there are no EMF mitigation measures available on this project that would meet the CPUC’s benchmark of 4% or less of the total project cost, no “no cost” or “low-cost” measures will be employed.

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 the Company by **November 5, 2009**, which is 20 days after the date of this filing. Protests should be mailed to the following address:

**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 show 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:
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 November 15, 2009, which is 30 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 and electronic approvals should be sent to e-mail PGETariffs@pge.com. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at http://www.pge.com/tariffs.

Vice President - Regulatory Relations

Attachments

cc: Parties Listed in G.O. 131-D, Paragraphs B.1 and B.2
Company name/CPUC Utility No. **Pacific Gas and Electric Company (ID U39 M)**

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**EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE**
- ELC = Electric
- GAS = Gas
- PLC = Pipeline
- HEAT = Heat
- WATER = Water

**Advice Letter (AL) #:** **3539-E**

**Subject of AL:** Lincoln 1103 12kV Relocation Project (County of Placer)

**Keywords (choose from CPUC listing):** Power Lines

**AL filing type:** Monthly

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

**Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL?** Yes

**Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL:**

**Is AL requesting confidential treatment?** Yes

**Name(s) and contact information of the person(s) who will provide the nondisclosure agreement and access to the confidential information:**

**Resolution Required?** No

**Requested effective date:** November 15, 2009

**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:** N/A

**Service affected and changes proposed:** N/A

**Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets:** N/A

**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**

**Pacific Gas and Electric Company**
**Attn: Brian K. Cherry**
**Vice President, Regulatory Relations**
**77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C**
**P.O. Box 770000**
**San Francisco, CA 94177**

**jnj@cpuc.ca.gov and mas@cpuc.ca.gov**

**E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com**
NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NAME: LINCOLN 1103 12 KV RELOCATION - County of Placer
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 3539-E

Proposed Project: Caltrans is currently constructing its Route 65 Lincoln Bypass Project at Wise Road between Dowd Road and Highway 65 in Placer County, and has requested PG&E to relocate approximately 3,581 feet of the existing Lincoln 1103 12 kV power line that parallels Wise Road in this location. PG&E will relocate the line from its present location on the south side of Wise Road into an existing public utility easement (existing easement) approximately 50 to 300 feet to the north of the present location on Wise Road between Dowd Road and Highway 65. In order to accommodate a future 115 kV power line project planned between Lincoln and Rio Oso substations, the relocated line will be constructed to hold both 115 kV and 12 kV lines. To accomplish this, and to ensure legal ground to conductor clearance for the proposed highway crossing, 15 wood poles that are 35 to 40 feet tall will be replaced with eight approximately 32 to 37 feet taller wood poles and six approximately 40 to 45 feet taller tubular steel poles (TSP). Construction is scheduled to begin in December 2009 or as soon thereafter as possible, with completion in approximately four weeks or as soon as possible after construction begins.

Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF): Pacific Gas and Electric Company will employ “no cost” and specified “low cost” measures to reduce public exposure to EMF in accordance with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Decision 06-01-042 and Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s “EMF Design Guidelines for Electrical Facilities.” The following measures are proposed for this project:

- Because there are no EMF mitigation measures available on this project that would meet the CPUC’s benchmark of 4% or less of the total project cost, no “no cost” or “low cost” measures will be employed.

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:

- Power line facilities or substations to be located in an existing franchise, road-widening setback easement, or public utility easement; or in a utility corridor designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies for which a final Negative Declaration or EIR finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts.

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

- 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 November 5, 2009, at the following address:

Director, Energy Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, Fourth Floor
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

Lincoln 1103 12 kV Relocation
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Energy Commission
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 Placer
Michael J. Johnson
Planning Director
3091 County Center Drive, Suite 120
Auburn, CA 95603

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Sacramento, CA 95816
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Ameresco
Anderson & Poole
Arizona Public Service Company
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BP Energy Company
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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
Chamberlain, Eric
Chevron Company
Chris, King
City of Glendale
City of Palo Alto
Clean Energy Fuels
Coast Economic Consulting
Commerce Energy
Commercial 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
Dutcher, John
Ellison Schneider & Harris LLP
FPL Energy Project Management, Inc.
Foster Farms
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Goodin, MacBride, Squeri, Schlotz & Ritchie
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Hanna & Morton
Hitachi
International Power Technology
Intestate Gas Services, 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
Merced Irrigation District
Mirant
Modesto Irrigation District
Morgan Stanley
Morrison & Foerster
New United Motor Mfg., Inc.
Norris & Wong Associates
North Coast Solar Resources
Northern California Power Association
Occidental Energy Marketing, Inc.
OnGrid Solar
Praxair
R. W. Beck & Associates
RCS, Inc.
Recon Research
SCD Energy Solutions
SCE
SMUD
SPURR
Santa Fe Jets
Seattle City Light
Sempra Utilities
Sierra Pacific Power Company
Silicon Valley Power
Silo Energy LLC
Southern California Edison Company
Sunshine Design
Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan
Tabors Caramanis & Associates
Tecogen, Inc.
Tiger Natural Gas, Inc.
Tioga Energy
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Turlock Irrigation District
U S Borax, Inc.
United Cogen
Utility Cost Management
Utility Specialists
Verizon
Wellhead Electric Company
Western Manufactured Housing
Communities Association (WMA)
eMeter Corporation