November 12, 2010

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Vice President, Regulation and Rates  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
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San Francisco, CA  94177

Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Vaca-Suisun-Jameson 115 kV Power Line Relocation Project in Solano County

Dear Ms. Yura:

Advice Letter 3743-E is effective November 3, 2010.

Sincerely,

Julie A. Fitch, Director  
Energy Division
September 27, 2010

Advice 3743-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 Vaca–Suisun–Jameson 115 kV Power Line Relocation Project in Solano County

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

PG&E has been requested by the Solano Transportation Authority (“STA”) to relocate approximately 3,000 feet of the Vaca–Suisun–Jameson 115 kV power line parallel to Highway 80 in Solano County in order to accommodate the construction of a new eastbound Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Facility (truck scale) east of the current facility (part of a larger STA project). In order to accommodate the new truck scales, five existing towers will be removed and replaced with four new towers. After the new towers are constructed, the existing conductor will be replaced with a new conductor. Two of the towers will be replaced in the same location and two towers will be installed in line between those towers. The new towers will be approximately 45 feet taller than the existing towers because one tower was eliminated, which resulted in longer spans, the new conductor is heavier than the old conductor, and the conductor needs to cross over a relocated distribution line. The relocated utility line was included in Caltrans’ environmental review of the STA project, which found no significant impacts resulting from the relocation (larger-project CEQA). Construction is expected to begin in November 2010, or as soon as possible thereafter, and be completed by October 2012, or as soon as possible thereafter.
CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, Subsection B.1.b.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:

- 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.

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 **October 18, 2010**, which is 21 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:

David T. Kraska  
Attorney, Law Department  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
P.O. Box 7442  
San Francisco, California 94120  
Facsimile: (415) 973-0516

* Because the protest period ends on a weekend, PG&E is moving the end of the protest period 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 **October 27, 2010**, 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**

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. All 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 - Regulation and Rates

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

Attachments
## ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY

### ENERGY UTILITY

**Company name/CPUC Utility No.** Pacific Gas and Electric Company (ID U39 M)

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### EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

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**Advice Letter (AL) #:** 3743-E

**Tier:** N/A

**Subject of AL:** Vaca-Suisun-Jameson 115kV Power Line Relocation (Solano County)

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

**AL filing type:** ☑ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annual ☑ One-Time ☐ Other

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

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:

Confidential information will be made available to those who have executed a nondisclosure agreement: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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:** October 27, 2010

**No. of tariff sheets:** N/A

**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

**Attn:** Jane K. Yura

Vice President, Regulation and Rates

77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10B

P.O. Box 770000

San Francisco, CA 94177

**E-mail:** PGETariffs@pge.com

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**jnj@cpuc.ca.gov and mas@cpuc.ca.gov**
NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NAME: Vaca–Suisun–Jameson 115 kV Power Line Relocation in Solano County
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 3743-E

Proposed Project: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has been requested by the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) to relocate approximately 3,000 feet of the Vaca–Suisun–Jameson 115 kV power line parallel to Highway 80 in Solano County in order to accommodate the construction of a new eastbound Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Facility (truck scale) east of the current facility (part of a larger STA project). In order to accommodate the new truck scales, five existing towers will be removed and replaced with four new towers. After the new towers are constructed, the existing conductor will be replaced with a new conductor. Two of the towers will be replaced in the same location and two towers will be installed in line between those towers. The new towers will be approximately 45 feet taller than the existing towers because one tower was eliminated, which resulted in longer spans, the new conductor is heavier than the old conductor, and the conductor needs to cross over a relocated distribution line. The relocated utility line was included in Caltrans’ environmental review of the STA project, which found no significant impacts resulting from the relocation (larger-project CEQA). Construction is expected to begin in November 2010, or as soon as possible thereafter, and be completed by October 2012, 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:

• 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.

Caltrans has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment for the I-80 Eastbound Cordelia Truck Scales Relocation Project (State Clearinghouse #2008052067) and found no significant unavoidable environmental impacts resulting from the relocation of PG&E’s facilities in the project revalidation document approved on July 13, 2010.

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 October 18, 2010, at the following address:

Director, Energy Division
With a copy mailed to:
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, Fourth Floor
San Francisco, California 94102
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

Vaca–Suisun–Jameson 115 kV Power Line Relocation in Solano County
Advice 3743-E

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 Solano

Ms. Birgitta Corsello, Director
Department of Resource Management
Solano County
675 Texas Street, Suite 5500
Fairfield, CA 94533

Newspaper

Daily Republic
Alcantar & Kahl
Ameresco
Anderson & Poole
Arizona Public Service Company
BART
BP Energy Company
Barkovich & Yap, Inc.
Bartle Wells Associates
Bloomberg New Energy Finance
Boston Properties
Brookfield Renewable Power
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
Casper, Steve
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
Douglass & Liddell
Downey & Brand
Duke Energy
Dutcher, John
Economic Sciences Corporation
Ellison Schneider & Harris LLP
Foster Farms
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Green Power Institute
Hanna & Morton
Hitachi
International Power Technology
Intestate Gas Services, Inc.
Lawrence Berkeley National Lab
Los Angeles Dept of Water & Power
Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps LLP
MAC Lighting Consulting
MBMC, Inc.
MRW & Associates
Manatt Phelps Phillips
McKenzie & Associates
Merced Irrigation District
Mirant
Modesto Irrigation District
Morgan Stanley
Morrison & Foerster
NLine Energy, Inc.
NRG West
New United Motor Mfg., Inc.
Norris & Wong Associates
North America Power Partners
North Coast Solar Resources
Northern California Power Association
Occidental Energy Marketing, Inc.
OnGrid Solar
Praxair
R. W. Beck & Associates
RCS, Inc.
Recon Research
Recurrent Energy
SCD Energy Solutions
SCE
SMUD
SPURR
San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
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
TransCanada
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