July 18, 2012

Advice Letter 3872-E

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San Francisco, CA  94177

Subject:  Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to G.O. 131-D, for the Construction of the Colusa JCT #1 and Pease-Harter 60 kV Power Line Project in Sutter County

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letter 3872-E is effective August 14, 2011.

Sincerely,

Edward F. Randolph, Director
Energy Division
July 15, 2011

Advice 3872-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 Construction of the Colusa JCT #1 and Pease-Harter 60 kV Power Line Project in Sutter 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

To maintain service reliability and meet increasing electric demands in the unincorporated Town of Meridian and surrounding areas in Sutter County, PG&E is proposing to modify the Colusa JCT #1 and Pease-Harter 60 Kilovolt (kV) Power Lines to accommodate the replacement of equipment in the Meridian Substation at 15900 Bridge Street. The Colusa JCT #1 line runs west of the substation and the Pease-Harter line runs east of the substation along Bridge Street. The existing wood poles on the lines are approximately 38 to 46 feet tall. In order to connect the two lines to the new substation equipment, PG&E will remove two wood poles, interset one new wood pole approximately 59 feet tall (intersetting), and replace and/or relocate five existing wood poles with new wood or light-duty steel poles, which will weather to resemble wood, that are approximately 5 to 26 feet taller (replacement of existing facilities). PG&E will also replace the existing wires, reconductor, on approximately 580 feet of the lines and overbuild above the existing distribution wires along the eastern edge of the substation with 60 kV wires on new, taller poles. All poles will be installed either within the substation property or in existing right-of-ways (existing franchise or public utility easement). The new pole heights are necessary to comply with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order 95 minimum ground-to-conductor clearance requirements. Construction is scheduled to begin in
August 2011 or as soon thereafter as possible, with completion in April 2012 or as soon as possible after construction begins.

CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, Subsection B.1, 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):

“The replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures.”

“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.”

“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.”

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 **August 4, 2011**, 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 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:
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 **August 14, 2011**, 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
Company name/CPUC Utility No. Pacific Gas and Electric Company (ID U39 M)

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<tr>
<th>Utility type:</th>
<th>Contact Person: Linda Tom-Martinez</th>
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<tr>
<td>☑ ELC ☑ GAS</td>
<td>Phone #: (415) 973-4612</td>
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<td>☐ PLC ☐ HEAT ☐ WATER</td>
<td>E-mail: <a href="mailto:lmt1@pge.com">lmt1@pge.com</a></td>
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EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE
ELC = Electric  GAS = Gas  
PLC = Pipeline  HEAT = Heat  WATER = Water

Advice Letter (AL) #: 3872-E  Tier: N/A

Subject of AL: Colusa JCT #1 and Pease-Harter 60 kV Power Line Project (Sutter 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: August 14, 2011  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  Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Tariff Files, Room 4005  Attn: Brian K. Cherry
DMS Branch  Vice President, Regulation and Rates
505 Van Ness Ave., 77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C
San Francisco, CA 94102 P.O. Box 770000
jnj@cpuc.ca.gov and mas@cpuc.ca.gov  San Francisco, CA 94177
E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com
NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NAME: COLUSA JCT #1 AND PEASE-HARTER 60 KV POWER LINE PROJECT (Sutter County)
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 3872-E

Proposed Project: To maintain service reliability and meet increasing electric demands in the unincorporated Town of Meridian and surrounding areas in Sutter County, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is proposing to modify the Colusa JCT #1 and Pease-Harter 60 Kilovolt (kV) Power Lines to accommodate the replacement of equipment in the Meridian Substation at 15900 Bridge Street. The Colusa JCT #1 line runs west of the substation and the Pease-Harter line runs east of the substation along Bridge Street. The existing wood poles on the lines are approximately 38 to 46 feet tall. In order to connect the two lines to the new substation equipment, PG&E will remove two wood poles, interset one new wood pole approximately 59 feet tall (intersetting), and replace and/or relocate five existing wood poles with new wood or light-duty steel poles, which will weather to resemble wood, that are approximately 5 to 26 feet taller (replacement of existing facilities). PG&E will also replace the existing wires, reconductor, on approximately 580 feet of the lines and overbuild above the existing distribution wires along the eastern edge of the substation with 60 kV wires on new, taller poles. All poles will be installed either within the substation property or in existing right-of-ways (existing franchise or public utility easement). The new pole heights are necessary to comply with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order 95 minimum ground-to-conductor clearance requirements. Construction is scheduled to begin in August 2011 or as soon thereafter as possible, with completion in April 2012 or as soon as possible after construction begins.

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(s):

- The replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures.
- 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.
- 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 August 4, 2011, 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

COLUSA JCT #1 AND PEASE-HARTER 60 KV POWER LINE PROJECT
(Sutter County)

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Energy Commission

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Newspaper

Appeal Democrat
PG&E Gas and Electric
Advice Filing List

AT&T
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Anderson & Poole
Arizona Public Service Company
BART
Barkovich & Yap, Inc.
Bartle Wells Associates
Bloomberg
Bloomberg New Energy Finance
Boston Properties
Braun Blaising McLaughlin, P.C.
Brookfield Renewable Power
CA Bldg Industry Association
CLECA Law Office
CSC Energy Services
California Cotton Ginners & Growers Assn
California Energy Commission
California League of Food Processors
California Public Utilities Commission
Calpine
Cardinal Cogen
Casper, Steve
Chris, King
City of Palo Alto
City of Palo Alto Utilities
City of San Jose
Clean Energy Fuels
Coast Economic Consulting
Commercial Energy
Consumer Federation of California
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MBMC, Inc.
MRW & Associates
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Merced Irrigation District
Modesto Irrigation District
Morgan Stanley
Morrison & Foerster
NRG West
Navigant Consulting
Norris & Wong Associates
North America Power Partners
North Coast SolarResources
Northern California Power Association
Occidental Energy Marketing, Inc.
OnGrid Solar
Praxair
R. W. Beck & Associates
RCS, Inc.
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
Spark Energy, L.P.
Sun Light & Power
Sunshine Design
Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan
Tabors Caramanis & Associates
Tecogen, Inc.
Tiger Natural Gas, Inc.
TransCanada
Turlock Irrigation District
United Cogen
Utility Cost Management
Utility Specialists
Verizon
Wellhead Electric Company
Western Manufactured Housing
Communities Association (WMA)
eMeter Corporation