June 10, 2013

Advice Letter 4219-E

Brian K. Cherry  
Vice President, Regulation and Rates  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C  
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San Francisco, CA  94177

SUBJECT: Notice of Construction, Pursuant to GO 131-D, For the Construction of Transmission Facilities for the CalTrans Hwy 101 Bypass in the City of Willits, County of Mendocino

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letter 4219-E is effective as of May 26, 2013.

Sincerely,

Edward F. Randolph, Director  
Energy Division
April 26, 2013

Advice 4219-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 Transmission Facilities for the Caltrans Highway 101 Bypass in the City of Willits, County of Mendocino

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 accommodate a new Highway 101 Bypass north of Ukiah (larger project), the State of California, Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has requested Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to modify two segments (approximately 1,850 feet total) of the existing Mendocino-Willits-Fort Bragg 60 kV Power Line (existing easement and franchise) in Willits. One segment runs along East Hill Road, beginning approximately 470 feet east of its intersection with San Hedrin Circle, and continuing east for approximately 1,000 feet. The second segment begins in grasslands approximately 850 feet northeast of the beginning of the first segment and continues northeast for approximately 850 feet. On the northern segment, PG&E will replace one existing wood pole (existing easement), interset one new pole (intersetting structures), and relocate two existing poles to nearby locations along the existing alignment (minor relocation). On the southern segment, PG&E will replace two existing wood poles, interset one new pole, relocate one existing pole, install two approximately 40-foot-tall guy stub polls, and shorten one of the existing transmission poles. On both segments, the existing approximately 40- to 60-foot-tall wood poles will be
replaced with approximately 70- to 90-foot-tall wood and light-duty steel poles, which weather to resemble wood. The taller poles are needed to clear Caltrans’ elevated roadway and comply with CPUC General Order 95 minimum ground-to-conductor clearance requirements as well as accommodate electric distribution and communication wires on the power line poles. Construction activities are scheduled to begin in June 2013, or as soon thereafter possible, with completion in September 2013, or as soon thereafter possible.

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),

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.

g. power line facilities or substations to be located in an existing franchise, roadway 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.

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 May 16, 2013, which is 20 days after the date of this filing. Protests should be mailed to the following address:

CPUC Energy Division  
ED Tariff Unit  
505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor  
San Francisco, California 94102

Facsimile: (415) 703-2200  
E-Mail: EDTariffUnit@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 May 26, 2013, 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 – Regulatory Relations

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 E)

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**EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE**

ELC = Electric  GAS = Gas  PLC = Pipeline  HEAT = Heat  WATER = Water

**Advice Letter (AL) #:** 4219-E  **Tier:** N/A

**Subject of AL:** Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of Transmission Facilities for the Caltrans Highway 101 Bypass in the City of Willits, County of Mendocino

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

**AL filing type:** ☑ 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: N/A

Is AL requesting confidential treatment? If so, what information is the utility seeking confidential treatment for: N/A

Confidential information will be made available to those who have executed a nondisclosure agreement: N/A

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

Resolution Required? ☑ Yes  □ No

**Requested effective date:** May 26, 2013  **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

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:

**Director, Energy Division**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company

**California Public Utilities Commission**

Attn: Brian K. Cherry, Vice President, Regulatory Relations

505 Van Ness Avenue, Fourth Floor

77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C

P.O. Box 770000

San Francisco, CA 94177

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

PROJECT NAME: Mendocino-Willits-Fort Bragg 60 kV Power Line Relocation - (Willits)
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 4219-E

Proposed Project: To accommodate a new Highway 101 Bypass north of Ukiah (larger project), the State of California, Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has requested Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to modify two segments (approximately 1,850 feet total) of the existing Mendocino-Willits-Fort Bragg 60 kV Power Line (existing easement and franchise) in Willits. One segment runs along East Hill Road, beginning approximately 470 feet east of its intersection with San Hedrin Circle, and continuing east for approximately 1,000 feet. The second segment begins in grasslands approximately 850 feet northeast of the beginning of the first segment and continues northeast for approximately 850 feet. On the northern segment, PG&E will replace one existing wood pole (existing easement), interset one new pole (intersetting structures), and relocate two existing poles to nearby locations along the existing alignment (minor relocation). On the southern segment, PG&E will replace two existing wood poles, interset one new pole, relocate one existing pole, install two approximately 40-foot-tall guy stub polls, and shorten one of the existing transmission poles. On both segments, the existing approximately 40- to 60-foot-tall wood poles will be replaced with approximately 70- to 90-foot-tall wood and light-duty steel poles, which weather to resemble wood. The taller poles are needed to clear Caltrans’ elevated roadway and comply with CPUC General Order 95 minimum ground-to-conductor clearance requirements as well as accommodate electric distribution and communication wires on the power line poles. Construction activities are scheduled to begin in June 2013, or as soon thereafter possible, with completion in September 2013, or as soon thereafter possible.

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):
   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.
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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 May 16, 2013 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

Mendocino-Willits-Fort Bragg 60 kV Power Line Relocation (Willits)

Advice 4219-E

Energy Commission

Mr. Robert Oglesby, Executive Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

Mr. Roger Johnson, Deputy Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39
Sacramento, California 95814

California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Lorie Hammerli
California Department of Fish & Wildlife
Bay Delta Region
7329 Silverado Trail
Napa, California 94558

City of Willits

Alan Falleri, Director
Community Development Agency
Willits City Hall
111 East Commercial Street
Willits, CA 95490

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