September 9, 2014

Advice 4486-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 Balch-McCall and Haas-McCall 230 kV Transmission Line Relocation, County of Fresno

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 Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

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

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has requested PG&E to relocate an existing lattice steel tower to accommodate the Highway 180 Phase 3 Project near the community of Minkler. Located north of Highway 180 and approximately 650 feet west of Piedra Road, the existing tower is approximately 127 feet tall and supports both the Balch-McCall and Haas-McCall 230 kV transmission lines. PG&E will remove the tower and install a new tubular steel pole approximately 200 feet northeast, and another tubular steel pole approximately 375 feet southwest of the existing tower, on either side of Highway 180 (minor relocation). Both new tubular steel poles will be in the existing alignment and approximately 115 feet tall. If PG&E is not able to de-energize the existing lines during construction, crews may need to temporarily install approximately 10 wood poles to relocate approximately 2,000 feet of the transmission line away from the construction area (minor relocation). After construction is complete, crews will move the line back to the new structures and remove the wood poles. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in October 2014, or as soon as project plans and approvals are in place.
Construction is scheduled to be completed in May 2015, or as soon as possible after construction begins.

CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, Subsection A 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 minor relocation of existing power line facilities”

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 September 29, 2014, which is 20 days after the date of this filing. Protests should be mailed to the following address:

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<th>CPUC Energy Division</th>
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<td>ED Tariff Unit</td>
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<td>505 Van Ness Avenue</td>
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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 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:

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<th>David T. Kraska</th>
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<td>Attorney, Law Department</td>
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<td>Pacific Gas and Electric Company</td>
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Facsimile: (415) 973-0516
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.

**Public Comment**

Individuals or groups who do not file an official protest may still submit a comment on the request to the Energy Division at the address noted above, referencing Advice Letter 4486-E.

**Effective Date**

The Company requests that this advice filing become effective on October 9, 2014, 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/.

Meredith Allen /KHC

Senior Director – 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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<th>Utility type:</th>
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**EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE**
- ELC = Electric
- GAS = Gas
- PLC = Pipeline
- HEAT = Heat
- WATER = Water

**Advice Letter (AL) #:** 4486-E  
**Tier:** N/A

**Subject of AL:** Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of the Balch-McCall and Haas-McCall 230 kV Transmission Line Relocation, County of Fresno

**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 #: N/A

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: No

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:

Resolution Required? ☐ Yes  ☑ No

Requested effective date: **October 9, 2014**  
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:

California Public Utilities Commission
Director, Energy Division
505 Van Ness Ave., 4th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102
E-mail: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Attn: Meredith Allen, Senior Director, Regulatory Relations
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C
P.O. Box 770000
San Francisco, CA 94177
E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com
PROJECT NAME: Balch-McCall and Haas-McCall 230 kV Transmission Line Relocation  
(Fresno County, P. No. 07202)  
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 4486-E

Proposed Project: The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has requested Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to relocate an existing lattice steel tower to accommodate the Highway 180 Phase 3 Project near the community of Minkler. Located north of Highway 180 and approximately 650 feet west of Piedra Road, the existing tower is approximately 127 feet tall and supports both the Balch-McCall and Haas-McCall 230 kV transmission lines. PG&E will remove the tower and install a new tubular steel pole approximately 200 feet northeast, and another tubular steel pole approximately 375 feet southwest of the existing tower, on either side of Highway 180 (minor relocation). Both new tubular steel poles will be in the existing alignment and approximately 115 feet tall. If PG&E is not able to de-energize the existing lines during construction, crews may need to temporarily install approximately 10 wood poles to relocate approximately 2,000 feet of the transmission line away from the construction area (minor relocation). After construction is complete, crews will move the line back to the new structures and remove the wood poles. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in October 2014, or as soon as project plans and approvals are in place. Construction is scheduled to be completed in May 2015, or as soon as possible after construction begins.

Exemption from CPUC Permit Requirement: CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, A, exempts a utility from the CPUC’s requirement to file an application requesting authority to construct if a project meets specific conditions. This project qualifies for the following exemptions:

- “the minor relocation of existing power line facilities”

Additional Project Information: To obtain further information on the proposed project, please call PG&E’s Project Information Line at (415) 973-5530.

Public Review Process: Individuals or groups may protest the proposed construction if they believe that PG&E 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 September 29, 2014 at the following address:

With a copy mailed to:

Director, Energy Division  
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

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

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

Public Comment: Even if you do not want to file an official protest, you may still comment on the request. To do so, send your comments to the Energy Division at the address noted above. Please reference Advice Letter 4486-E.
Notice Distribution List

Balch-McCall & Haas-McCall 230 kV Transmission Line Relocation (Fresno County)

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Energy Commission

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

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

California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Ms. Sarah Bahm
California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Central Region
1234 E. Shaw Avenue
Fresno, CA 93710

County of Fresno

Department of Public Works and Planning
Attn: Alan Weaver, Director
2220 Tulare Street, 7th Floor
Fresno, CA 93721

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