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Advice Letter 4500-E

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Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to G.O. 131-D, for the Construction of the Kettleman Solar Project Power Line Interconnection in the County of Kings

Dear Ms. Allen:

Advice Letter 4500-E is effective October 23, 2014.

Sincerely,

Edward F. Randolph, Director
Energy Division
September 23, 2014

Advice 4500-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 Kettleman Solar Project Power Line Interconnection in the County of Kings

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

The developer of Kettleman Solar Project in Kings County has requested that PG&E connect the existing Henrietta–Tulare Lake 70 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line to the solar project’s substation (larger project CEQA). The substation is located approximately 1 mile north of the intersection of State Route 41 and Quail Avenue, and approximately 2¾ miles north of Kettleman City. To connect the power line into the customer-owned substation, PG&E will remove an existing approximately 62-foot-tall light-duty steel pole and install a new approximately 87-foot-tall tubular steel pole with switches in the same alignment, but approximately 40 feet to the northeast (minor relocation). The taller pole is needed to meet California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order 95 minimum ground-to-conductor clearance requirements, and to support the switches. From the new pole, an approximately 50-foot power line will extend to a new pole owned by the developer outside of its solar project substation (categorical exemption). Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in January 2015, or as soon as project plans and approvals are in place. Construction is scheduled to be completed in March 2015, 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),

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.”

f. “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.”

h. “the construction of projects that are statutorily or categorically exempt pursuant to § 15260 et seq. of the Guidelines adopted to implement the CEQA, 14 Code of California Regulations § 15000 et seq. (CEQA Guidelines).”

The County of Kings adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Kettleman Photovoltaic Solar Farm Project on May 6, 2013 finding no significant unavoidable environmental impacts resulting from PG&E’s proposed facilities. (State Clearinghouse # 2013022041)

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 13, 2014, 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
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 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

Meredith Allen  
Senior Director, Regulatory Relations  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
P.O. Box 770000, Mail Code B10C  
San Francisco, California 94177  
Facsimile: (415) 973-7226  
E-Mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

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 23, 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
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**Explanation of Utility Type**

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

**Advice Letter (AL) #:** 4500-E  
**Subject of AL:** Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of the Kettleman Solar Project Power Line Interconnection in the County of Kings

**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 #: 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: ____________________

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 23, 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
NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION
Para más detalles llame 1-800-660-6789

PROJECT NAME: Kettleman Solar Project Power Line Interconnection - (Kings County, P. No. 07139)
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 4500-E

Proposed Project: The developer of Kettleman Solar Project in Kings County has requested that Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) connect the existing Henrietta–Tulare Lake 70 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line to the solar project’s substation (larger project CEQA). The substation is located approximately 1 mile north of the intersection of State Route 41 and Quail Avenue, and approximately 2 ¼ miles north of Kettleman City. To connect the power line into the customer-owned substation, PG&E will remove an existing approximately 62-foot-tall light-duty steel pole and install a new approximately 87-foot-tall tubular steel pole with switches in the same alignment, but approximately 40 feet to the northeast (minor relocation). The taller pole is needed to meet California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order 95 minimum ground-to-conductor clearance requirements, and to support the switches. From the new pole, an approximately 50-foot power line will extend to a new pole owned by the developer outside of its solar project substation (categorical exemption). Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in January 2015, or as soon as project plans and approvals are in place. Construction is scheduled to be completed in March 2015, or as soon as possible after construction begins.

Exemption from CPUC Permit Requirement: CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, B.1, 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 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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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 October 13, 2014 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

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 4500-E.
Notice Distribution List

Kettleman Solar Project Power Line Interconnection - (Kings County)

Advice 4500-E

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 Kings

Mr. Gregory Gatzka
Director of Community Development
Kings County Planning Department
1400 West Lacey Boulevard
Hanford, CA 93230

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