September 22, 2015

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Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to G.O. 131-D, for the Construction of Mesa-Sisquoc 115 kV Reconductoring Project, County of Santa Barbara

Dear Mr. Jacobson:

Advice Letter 4665-E is effective September 21, 2015.

Sincerely,

Edward Randolph
Director, Energy Division
July 10, 2015

Advice 4665-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 Mesa-Sisquoc 115 kV Reconductoring Project, County of Santa Barbara

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

Due to structural deterioration and the need to increase system capacity, PG&E is proposing to reconductor (replace wires on) approximately 4.1 miles of the existing Mesa-Sisquoc 115 kV Power Line to ensure safe and reliable electric service within the City of Santa Maria and Santa Barbara County. The affected power line segment begins approximately 500 feet north of the intersection of Rancho Verde and North Railroad Avenue in Santa Maria, and runs east for approximately ½ mile to North Blosser Road. The project then extends southerly for approximately 3¼ miles along North Blosser Road and South Blosser Road before turning east on West Battles Road. The project then continues easterly on the southerly side of West Battles Road for approximately ½ mile to end at the intersection of West Battles Road and South Depot Street. To support the new conductors, comply with the CPUC’s General Order 95 ground-to-conductor clearance requirements, and reduce electric and magnetic field strength at ground level, PG&E will replace approximately 82 wood poles with new wood or light-duty steel poles of the same height to approximately 15 feet taller to maintain sufficient distance between the ground and lower distribution lines.
Project construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in Summer 2016 or as soon as project plans and approvals are in place. Construction is scheduled to be completed in October 2016, 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 exemptions,

g. “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 Negative Declaration or EIR [Environmental Impact Report] finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts.”

Additionally, G.O. 131-D requires utilities to employ “no cost” and specified “low cost” measures to reduce public exposure to electric and magnetic fields (EMFs) in accordance with CPUC Decision 06-01-042 and the “EMF Guidelines for Electrical Facilities.” The following measures are proposed for this project:

• PG&E proposes to raise the height of 45 poles in the residential land use areas by 5 feet taller than otherwise required. No other low cost mitigation is available for this project.

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 letter sent via U.S. mail, by facsimile or electronically, any of which must be received no later than July 30, 2015, which is 20 days after the date of this filing. Protests should be mailed to:

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 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:

David Kraska  
Attorney, Law Department  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
P.O. Box 7442  
San Francisco, California 94120  

Facsimile: (415) 973-0516

Erik Jacobson  
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-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 4665-E.

Effective Date

This Company requests that this Tier 2 advice filing become effective on August 9, 2015, 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/.

/S/

Erik Jacobson
Director, Regulatory Relations

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

Attachments
CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY
ENERGY UTILITY

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

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EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE
ELC = Electric
PLC = Pipeline
GAS = Gas
HEAT = Heat
WATER = Water

Advice Letter (AL) #: 4665-E Tier: 2
Subject of AL: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of Mesa-Sisquoc 115 kV Reconductoring Project, County of Santa Barbara

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Power Lines
AL filing type: ☑ One-Time ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annual ☐ 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: August 9, 2015 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: Erik Jacobson, 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 mas detalles llame al 1-800-660-6789

PROJECT NAME: MESA-SISQUOC 115 KV RECONDUCTORING PROJECT
(City of Santa Maria and County of Santa Barbara, P.No. 07104)
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 4665-E

Proposed Project: Due to structural deterioration and the need to increase system capacity, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is proposing to reconductor (replace wires on) approximately 4.1 miles of the existing Mesa-Sisquoc 115 kV Power Line to ensure safe and reliable electric service within the City of Santa Maria and Santa Barbara County. The affected power line segment begins approximately 500 feet north of the intersection of Rancho Verde and North Railroad Avenue in Santa Maria, and runs east for approximately ½ mile to North Blosser Road. The project then extends southerly for approximately 3¼ miles along North Blosser Road and South Blosser Road before turning east on West Battles Road. The project then continues easterly on the southerly side of West Battles Road for approximately ½ mile to end at the intersection of West Battles Road and South Depot Street. To support the new conductors, comply with the CPUC’s General Order 95 ground-to-conductor clearance requirements, and reduce electric and magnetic field strength at ground level, PG&E will replace approximately 82 wood poles with new wood or light-duty steel poles of the same height to approximately 15 feet taller to maintain sufficient distance between the ground and lower distribution lines. Project construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in Summer 2016 or as soon as project plans and approvals are in place. Construction is scheduled to be completed in October 2016, or as soon as possible after construction begins.

Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF): PG&E will employ “no cost” and specified “low cost” measures to reduce public exposure to EMF in accordance with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Decision 06-01-042 and the “EMF Design Guidelines for Electrical Facilities” prepared in compliance with that decision. The following measures are proposed for this project:

- PG&E proposes to raise the height of 45 poles in the residential land use areas by 5 feet taller than otherwise required. No other low cost mitigation is available for this project.

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:

g. “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 [Environmental Impact Report] finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts.”

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 July 30, 2015 at the following address:

Director, Energy Division
ED Tariff Unit
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

P.No. 07104/SAP Order No. 30911535/MWC60
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 4665-E.
Notice Distribution List

Mesa-Sisquoc 115 kV Reconductoring Project
City of Santa Maria and County of Santa Barbara

Advice 4665-E

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