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Advice Letter 3536-G

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SUBJECT: Revisions to Gas Schedule G-CT, Core Gas Aggregation Service, in Compliance with D.14-08-043

Dear Ms. Allen:

Advice Letter 3536-G is effective as of December 1, 2014.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward Randolph".

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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Revisions to Gas Schedule G-CT, Core Gas Aggregation Service, in Compliance With Decision 14-08-043

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits for filing revisions to its gas tariffs. The affected tariff sheets are listed on the enclosed Attachment 1.

Purpose

The purpose of this advice letter is to propose revisions to gas Schedule G-CT, *Core Gas Aggregation Service*, in compliance with California Public Utilities Commission (Commission or CPUC) Decision (D.) 14-08-043. This advice filing does not change rates or expand or restrict service to any customer.

Background

On September 2, 2014, the Commission issued D.14-08-043, *Decision Adopting Registration Standards For Core Transport Agents*, which adopted registration standards for Core Transport Agents (CTAs) who supply residential and small commercial end-use gas customers with natural gas and extended the cancellation period for residential customers.

The purpose of this advice filing is to incorporate the information that the California Public Utilities Commission will accept, compile and attempt to informally resolve consumer complaints regarding CTAs pursuant to Decision (D.) 14-08-043 and Public Utilities Code Section 983, incorporate the new CTA registration requirement, and to extend the cancellation provisions for residential customers in accordance with D.14-08-043. In addition, PG&E replaced references to Public Utilities Code Sections 395 and 396, which cover the consumer protection provisions for electric customers, with Public Utilities Code Sections 989.1 and 989.5, respectively, which cover the corresponding consumer protection provisions for gas customers.

Tariff Revisions

PG&E proposes to make the following revisions to gas Schedule G-CT, *Core Gas Aggregation Service*:

1. Added a new line to the applicability section to incorporate the information that the California Public Utilities Commission will accept, compile and attempt to informally resolve consumer complaints regarding CTAs.
2. Added a new section, *Registration*, to incorporate the requirement that, unless otherwise exempt, a CTA offering gas aggregation service to residential or small commercial customers is required to register with the California Public Utilities Commission.
3. *Customer Sign-up Process* - Revised paragraph 4 under the Customer Sign-Up Process to extend the rights of a residential customer to cancel a Customer Authorization from “midnight of the third (3rd) business day after the day on which the third-party verification occurred” to “midnight of the thirtieth (30th) calendar day after the date the first bill for gas aggregation service from the CTA”.

In addition, in paragraphs 4 and 5, references to Public Utilities Code Section 395 were replaced with Public Utilities Code Section 989.1, and references to Public Utilities Code Section 396 were replaced with Public Utilities Code Section 989.5.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by letter sent via U.S. mail, facsimile or E-mail, no later than December 22, 2014, which is 21 days¹ from the date of this filing. Protests should be submitted to:

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 also should be mailed to the attention of the Director, Energy Division, Room 4004, at the address shown above.

¹ The 20-day protest period concludes on a weekend. PG&E is hereby moving this date to the following business day.

The protest also should be sent via E-mail or U.S. Mail (and by facsimile, 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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Any person (including individuals, groups, or organizations) may protest or respond to an advice letter (General Order 96-B, Section 7.4). The protest shall contain the following information: specification of the advice letter protested; grounds for the protest; supporting factual information or legal argument; name, telephone number, postal address, and (where appropriate) e-mail address of the protestant; and statement that the protest was sent to the utility no later than the day on which the protest was submitted to the reviewing Industry Division (General Order 96-B, Section 3.11).

Effective Date

PG&E requests that this Tier 1 advice filing become effective upon date of filing.

Notice

In accordance with General Order 96-B, Section IV, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and via U.S. mail to parties shown on the attached list and the service list for Rulemaking (R.) 14-03-002. Address changes to the General Order 96-B service list should be directed to PG&E at email address PGETariffs@pge.com. For changes to any other service list, please contact the Commission's Process Office at (415) 703-2021 or at Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov. Send all electronic approvals to PGETariffs@pge.com. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at <http://www.pge.com/tariffs>.

/s/

Meredith Allen
Senior Director, Regulatory Relations

Attachments

cc: Service List R.14-03-002

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY ENERGY UTILITY

MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)

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

Utility type:

ELC GAS
 PLC HEAT WATER

Contact Person: **Shirley Wong**

Phone #: **(415) 972-5505**

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EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

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

(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: **3536-G**

Tier: **1**

Subject of AL: **Revisions to Gas Schedule G-CT, Core Gas Aggregation Service, in Compliance With Decision 14-08-043**

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): **Compliance**

AL filing type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other _____

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: **Decision 14-08-043**

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: **December 1, 2014**

No. of tariff sheets: **5**

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: **Gas Schedule G-CT, Core Gas Aggregation Service**

Service affected and changes proposed: **See advice letter, "Tariff Revisions" section.**

Protests, dispositions, and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 21 days¹ after the date of this filing, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

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**ATTACHMENT 1
Advice 3536-G**

Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.
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31675-G	GAS SCHEDULE G-CT CORE GAS AGGREGATION SERVICE Sheet 2	30855-G
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GAS SCHEDULE G-CT
CORE GAS AGGREGATION SERVICE

Sheet 1

APPLICABILITY: This schedule* applies to transportation of natural gas for Core End-Use Customers (as defined in Rule 1*) (Customer) who aggregate their gas volumes and who obtain natural gas supply service from parties other than PG&E. The provisions of Schedule G-CT apply to Core End-Use Customers and to the Core Transport Agents (CTA) who supply them with natural gas and provides or obtains services necessary to deliver such gas to PG&E's Distribution System. Rule 23 also sets forth terms and conditions applicable to Core Gas Aggregation Service. In addition, pursuant to Decision (D.) 14-08-043 and Public Utilities Code Section 983, the California Public Utilities Commission shall accept, compile and attempt to informally resolve consumer complaints regarding CTAs. (T)

A group of Core End-Use Customers who aggregate their gas volumes shall comprise a Core Transport Group (Group). The minimum aggregate gas volume for a Group is 12,000 decatherms per year. The Customer must designate a CTA, who is responsible for providing gas aggregation services to Customers in the Group as described herein and in Rule 23. Aggregation of multiple loads at a single facility or aggregation of loads at multiple facilities shall not change the otherwise-applicable rate schedule for a specific facility. Customers electing service under this schedule must request such service for one hundred (100) percent of the core load served by the meter. Schedule G-CT must be taken in conjunction with a core rate schedule. (T)

Core volumes are eligible for service under this schedule, whether or not noncore volumes are also delivered to the same premises. However, core volumes cannot be aggregated with noncore volumes in order to meet the minimum therm requirement for noncore service. Service to core volumes associated with noncore volumes under this schedule applies to all core volumes on the noncore premises.

CTAs, on behalf of a Group, may receive service on PG&E's Backbone Transmission System by utilizing Schedules G-AFT, G-SFT, G-AA, G-NFT, or G-NAA. CTAs may also receive service from PG&E's Storage facilities by utilizing Schedules G-CFS, G-SFS, G-NFS, G-PARK, or G-LEND

TERRITORY: This schedule applies everywhere within PG&E's natural gas Service Territory.

RATES: Customers taking service under Schedule G-CT will receive and pay for service under their otherwise-applicable core rate schedule; except that Customers who procure their own gas supply will not pay the Procurement Charge specified on their otherwise-applicable core rate schedule.

Pursuant to Schedule G-SUR, Customers will be subject to a franchise fee surcharge for gas volumes purchased from parties other than PG&E and transported by PG&E. Customers will also be responsible for any applicable costs, taxes and/or fees incurred by PG&E in receiving gas to be delivered to such Customers.

See Preliminary Statement, Part B for the Default Tariff Rate Components.

* PG&E's gas tariffs are available on-line at www.pge.com.

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Sheet 2

SHRINKAGE: Transportation volumes will be subject to a shrinkage allowance in accordance with Rule 21.

CURTAILMENT OF SERVICE: Service on this schedule may be curtailed. See Rule 14 for details.

REGISTRATION: In accordance with Decision (D.) 14-08-043, unless otherwise exempt, a CTA offering gas aggregation service to residential or small commercial customers is required to register with the California Public Utilities Commission. Registered CTAs shall ensure that any person or entity performing marketing or sales activities, or administering its service agreements on the CTA's behalf, complies with the rules adopted in D.14-08-043 and subject to Public Utilities Code Section 983.5. (N)
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SERVICE AGREEMENT: Before PG&E will provide gas aggregation service under this schedule to a CTA, the CTA and PG&E shall execute a Core Gas Aggregation Service Agreement (Form 79-845) (CTA Agreement) and a Gas Transmission Service Agreement (GTSA) (Form 79-866) and applicable attachments and exhibits.

CUSTOMER SIGN-UP PROCESS: The CTA may use one of the two methods specified below for transmitting requests (Customer Authorizations) to PG&E in order to sign up new Customers for Core Gas Aggregation Service, or for switching a Customer from one CTA to another CTA.

Electronic Sign-Up: The CTA shall transmit notice of Customer Authorizations to PG&E using the electronic format acceptable to PG&E, a Direct Access Service Request (DASR). The CTA will pay the switching charges specified in Schedule G-ESP when a DASR is accepted by PG&E.

The CTA may obtain a Customer's Authorization in the same manner set forth for requesting changes in an aggregator or supplier of electric service as specified in Public Utilities Code Section 366.5, including third-party verification where required, and aggregator or supplier liability for the violation of verification procedures (Third-Party Verification Option). Under this option, PG&E shall have no responsibility for verifying the Customer's or CTA's manner of complying with the provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 366.5.

If the Customer Authorization is subject to third-party verification, the CTA shall not electronically submit notice of the Customer's Authorization to PG&E until three (3) business days after the third-party verification, as specified in Public Utilities Code Section 366.5, subdivisions (a) for commercial Customers, or (b) residential Customers, has been performed. In addition to any other right to revoke an offer, a non-residential Customer has until midnight of the third (3rd) business day after the day on which the third party verification occurred to cancel a Customer Authorization and, in accordance with D.14-08-043, a residential customer has until midnight of the thirtieth (30th) calendar day after the date the first bill for gas aggregation service from the CTA is issued to cancel a Customer Authorization. A Customer must provide written notice to the CTA at the address specified in their CTA Agreement. If such notice is given by mail, cancellation is effective when the notice is deposited in the mail and it has been properly addressed with postage prepaid. Cancellation by the Customer is effective if it indicates the intention of the Customer not to be bound by the contract. It is the responsibility of the CTA to ensure that all cancellation requests made by Customers are honored, in accordance with Public Utilities Code Sections 989.1 and 989.5, as amended by D.14-08-043 for residential gas customers. (T)
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Sheet 3

CUSTOMER SIGN-UP PROCESS (Cont'd.):	If a Customer cancels its Customer Authorization pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 989.1, a Customer Authorization shall not be submitted for that Customer. If a Customer Authorization has already been submitted, the CTA shall, within twenty-four (24) hours, direct PG&E to cancel the Customer Authorization.	(L) (L)(T) I (L)
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The CTA can also obtain a Customer Authorization by having the Customer sign a copy of the Core Gas Aggregation Service Agreement Customer Authorization for Core Gas Aggregation Service (Form 79-845A) (Attachment A), or by signing a form provided by the CTA (CTA Form). The CTA Form must include all of the terms and conditions specified in Attachment A. If the CTA has the Customer sign a CTA Form or a copy of the Attachment A, the CTA shall retain the Customer Authorization for three (3) years and shall provide the original Customer Authorization within three (3) business days of PG&E's request. PG&E reserves the right to review the language in the CTA Form, to ensure it conforms with the language in Attachment A.

After a Customer signs a copy of a CTA Form or the Attachment A, the CTA may electronically submit notice of the Customer's Authorization to PG&E immediately upon the Customer's signing. Third-party verifications are not necessary if the Customer's signature is obtained.

Paper copies of a signed CTA Form or an Attachment A will not be accepted by PG&E for processing.

In accordance with the provisions of gas Rule 3, PG&E may reject any notice of Customer Authorization if the information provided is false, incomplete, or inaccurate in any material respect.

PG&E will accept Customer Authorizations for processing on a first-come, first-served basis. Each Customer Authorization shall be time stamped by PG&E. In the event that more than one Customer Authorization is submitted for a service account, the first valid Customer Authorization for that account will be processed and subsequent requests will be denied until the switch to the pending CTA occurs.

For those Customer Authorizations received and accepted by PG&E on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of any calendar month, Core Gas Aggregation Service will begin no later than the next calendar month's meter reading date for the service account(s) specified on the Customer Authorization. For Customer Authorizations received after PG&E's most recent offer of firm pipeline or storage capacity, PG&E shall not be under any obligation to offer corresponding capacity to a new CTA or additional capacity to an existing CTA for the remaining month(s) of the current capacity allocation period to serve the accounts specified on such Customer Authorizations. However, PG&E will attempt to include pipeline or storage capacities to service such accounts in PG&E's subsequent pipeline or storage capacity allocations to CTAs, provided that it causes no delay in the offer of such capacity by the scheduled offer date as specified below under *Allocation of Firm Pipeline Capacity* and *Allocation of Core Firm Storage*.

By agreement of all participants, PG&E, the CTA, and the Customer may implement a different beginning date for the service requested in a Customer Authorization. No later than five (5) business days before the beginning date of service for a Customer under a Customer Authorization, PG&E shall send Customer usage data to the new CTA. Such data shall be for the past twelve (12) months, or if such data is not available, for the time it is available.

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