

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS FOR PG&E'S GAS RATE CASES (A.17-09-006, A.17-11-009)

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) and the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) would like to hear from you.

The CPUC will hold a series of Public Participation Hearings (PPHs) to hear your comments about PG&E's 2018 Gas Cost Allocation Proceeding (GCAP) Application (A.17-09-006) and Gas Transmission and Storage (GT&S) Application (A.17-11-009).

### Public Participation Hearings

The hearings will be facilitated by an Administrative Law Judge (Judge) and will be your opportunity to express your views on PG&E's applications. Oral comments will be accepted from the public and customers' written comments may also be submitted to the CPUC's Public Advisor at any time during these proceedings. At each location, customer service representatives from PG&E will be available to assist individual customers with their accounts.

### Information sessions

At each PPH location there may also be public information sessions beginning an hour before the times shown below. See [www.cpuc.ca.gov/pph](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/pph) to find out if the PPH you are interested in attending will have informational tables. At these sessions, there will be information tables staffed by the Public Advisors Office, PG&E, and other groups participating in the proceedings. These groups are called "parties" to the proceeding, and they advocate for different perspectives such as small businesses, agricultural customers and residential customers.

### Dates, times, locations

Anyone wishing to present their views to the CPUC may attend one of the hearings scheduled below:

#### SACRAMENTO

**June 26, 2018**

**2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

California Energy Commission  
Hearing Room  
1516 9th Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

#### FRESNO

**June 27, 2018**

**2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

Fresno City Hall  
Council Chambers  
2600 Fresno Street  
Fresno, CA 93721

## **BAKERSFIELD**

**June 28, 2018**  
**2 p.m. and 6 p.m.**

Bakersfield City Hall  
Council Chambers  
1600 Truxtun Avenue  
Bakersfield, CA 93301

## **CHICO**

**July 10, 2018**  
**2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

Manzanita Place at Elks Lodge  
Room 3  
1705 Manzanita Avenue  
Chico, CA 95926

## **SAN FRANCISCO**

**July 11, 2018**  
**2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

505 Van Ness Street  
San Francisco, CA 94102

## **SAN JOSE**

**July 16, 2018**  
**2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

Scottish Rite Center  
2455 Masonic Drive  
San Jose, CA 95125

## **OAKLAND**

**July 17, 2018**  
**2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

Elihu Harris State Building  
1515 Clay Street  
Oakland, CA 94612

Please note: All locations are wheelchair accessible. If you need a language interpreter or special assistance, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office using the contact information at the end of this notice at least five days in advance of the hearing date.

### **About these filings**

PG&E's GCAP Application was filed on September 14, 2017. The application proposes changes to residential rates that will address fluctuations in customer bills and spikes in winter bill amounts. In support of this goal, the application also seeks to address the following:

- Update the gas sales forecast more frequently
- Adopt a more stable method of assigning costs to customer classes
- Ensure energy efficiency costs paid by each customer class align with the energy efficiency benefits the customer class receives
- Update cost studies to more accurately reflect the cost to serve various customer classes

PG&E's GT&S Application was filed on November 17, 2017. The application proposes to increase rates for the following reasons:

- Compliance with new regulatory requirements for the safety of gas transmission and storage facilities
- Infrastructure investments to ensure gas transmission pipelines and storage facilities continue to operate safely and reliably
- Retirement of two gas storage fields in order to reduce costs to customers in the long term, reduce risk and streamline operations

## How will PG&E's applications affect me?

**GCAP Application:** Based on rates currently in effect, the bill for a typical residential non-CARE customer averaging 33 therms per month of gas usage would increase from \$52.59 to \$54.26, or 3.2 percent.

**GT&S Application:** Based on rates currently in effect, the bill for a typical residential non-CARE customer averaging 34 therms per month of gas usage would increase from \$54.85 to \$55.96, or 2.0 percent.

Actual impacts will vary depending on energy usage across the months.

## For more information about PG&E's filings

To review a copy of PG&E's application and related exhibits, visit [pge.com/regulatoryfilings](http://pge.com/regulatoryfilings).

In addition, a copy of these applications may be reviewed at the CPUC's Central Files Office, located in San Francisco, California, by appointment. For more information, please contact [aljcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:aljcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov) or call 1-415-703-2045.

## CPUC process

This application has been assigned to a Judge. The public's comments, both in writing and at the scheduled PPHs, are part of the formal record that is considered by the Commission as part of its decision on PG&E's application. Evidentiary Hearings (EHs) will be held where parties will present their testimony and may be subject to cross-examination by other parties. These EHs are open to public attendance, but only those who are parties can participate.

After considering all proposals and all evidence presented during the formal hearing process, the Judge assigned to this proceeding will issue a proposed decision that may adopt PG&E's proposal, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may propose an alternate decision. The proposed decision, and any alternate decision, will be discussed and voted upon at a scheduled public CPUC Voting Meeting.

As a party of record, the Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) has reviewed this application. ORA is the independent consumer advocacy group within the CPUC with a legislative mandate to represent investor-owned utility customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. The ORA has a multi-disciplinary staff with expertise in economics, finance, accounting and engineering. For more information about ORA, please call **1-415-703-1584**, email **ora@cpuc.ca.gov** or visit ORA's website at **www.ora.ca.gov**. After ORA's testimony is served, it can be viewed and downloaded at this website.

## Stay informed

If you would like to follow this proceeding, or any other issue before the CPUC, you may use the CPUC's free subscription service. Sign up at: **<http://subscribecpuc.cpuc.ca.gov>**.

If you cannot attend a hearing but would like to comment you may submit your written comments to the Public Advisor's Office. Please reference PG&E's application numbers (A.17-09-006, A.17-11-009) in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter. All public comments will become part of the public correspondence file for this proceeding and made available for review for the Judge, the Commissioners, and appropriate CPUC staff.

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