

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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February 12, 2020

**Advice Letter 5739-E**

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**SUBJECT: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of King City-Coburn No. 2 60kV Power Line Pole Replacement in the County of Monterey**

Dear Mr. Jacobson:

Advice Letter 5739-E is effective as of February 14, 2020.

Sincerely,

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

Edward Randolph  
Deputy Executive Director for Energy and Climate Policy/  
Director, Energy Division



**Erik Jacobson**  
Director  
Regulatory Relations

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January 15, 2020

**Advice 5739-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 King City-Coburn No. 2 60kV Power Line Pole Replacement in the County of Monterey**

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 increased electrical demand in southern Monterey County, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) proposes to replace distribution conductors (wires) located under the existing King City-Coburn No. 2 60 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line. As part of this project, PG&E will replace 18 existing wood poles with 4 new wood poles and 14 new light duty steel poles. Two replacement poles will be approximately 25 feet taller than existing poles, two replacement poles will be approximately the same height as existing poles, and the remaining poles will be approximately 5 feet to 20 feet taller than existing poles. The taller poles are needed to comply with CPUC General Order 95 minimum ground to conductor clearance requirements, while accommodating electric distribution wires on the poles (underbuild).

The project begins at an existing wood pole on the northwest side of Pine Avenue at the intersection of Pine Avenue with 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in unincorporated Monterey County and continues southeasterly along the southwesterly side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street approximately 1.26 miles to an existing wood pole on the southeast side of Elm Avenue at the intersection of Elm Avenue with 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in April

2020, or as soon as practicable after project approval. Construction will be completed in July 2020, 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,

- 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."

This submittal will not cause the withdrawal of service, or conflict with any other rate schedule or rule.

### **Protests**

Anyone wishing to protest this submittal may do so by submitting a protest with the CPUC and the Company by February 4, 2020, which is 20 days after the date of this submittal. 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

Erik Jacobson  
Director, Regulatory Relations  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
P.O. Box 770000, Mail Code B13U  
San Francisco, California 94177

Facsimile: (415) 973-3582  
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.

### **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 5739-E.

### **Effective Date**

The Company requests that this Tier 2 advice filing become effective on February 14, 2020, 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/>.

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/S/

Erik Jacobson  
Director, Regulatory Relations

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

Attachments



# ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY

## ENERGY UTILITY



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

Company name/CPUC Utility No.: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (ID U39E)

Utility type:

- ELC       GAS       WATER  
 PLC       HEAT

Contact Person: Kimberly Loo

Phone #: (415)973-4587

E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

E-mail Disposition Notice to: KELM@pge.com

EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

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

(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 5739-E

Tier Designation: 2

Subject of AL: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of King City-Coburn No. 2 60kV Power Line Pole Replacement in the County of Monterey

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance, Power Lines, G.O. 131-D

AL Type:  Monthly  Quarterly  Annual  One-Time  Other:

If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:

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:

Confidential treatment requested?  Yes  No

If yes, specification of confidential information:

Confidential information will be made available to appropriate parties who execute a nondisclosure agreement. Name and contact information to request nondisclosure agreement/ access to confidential information:

Resolution required?  Yes  No

Requested effective date: 2/14/20

No. of tariff sheets: 0

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<sup>1</sup>: N/A

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: N/A

<sup>1</sup>Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

**Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:**

CPUC, Energy Division  
Attention: Tariff Unit  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
Email: [EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov)

Name: Erik Jacobson, c/o Megan Lawson  
Title: Director, Regulatory Relations  
Utility Name: Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
Address: 77 Beale Street, Mail Code B13U  
City: San Francisco, CA 94177  
State: California Zip: 94177  
Telephone (xxx) xxx-xxxx: (415)973-2093  
Facsimile (xxx) xxx-xxxx: (415)973-3582  
Email: [PGETariffs@pge.com](mailto:PGETariffs@pge.com)

Name:  
Title:  
Utility Name:  
Address:  
City:  
State: District of Columbia Zip:  
Telephone (xxx) xxx-xxxx:  
Facsimile (xxx) xxx-xxxx:  
Email:

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION**

Para más detalles llame 1-800-660-6789

**PROJECT NAME: KING CITY-COBURN NO. 2 60kV POWER LINE POLE REPLACEMENT (Monterey County, PM 31421402)****ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 5739-E**

**Proposed Project:** Due to increased electrical demand in southern Monterey County, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) proposes to replace distribution conductors (wires) located under the existing King City-Coburn No. 2 60 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line. As part of this project, PG&E will replace 18 existing wood poles with 4 new wood poles and 14 new light duty steel poles. Two replacement poles will be approximately 25 feet taller than existing poles, two replacement poles will be approximately the same height as existing poles, and the remaining poles will be approximately 5 feet to 20 feet taller than existing poles. The taller poles are needed to comply with CPUC General Order 95 minimum ground to conductor clearance requirements, while accommodating electric distribution wires on the poles (underbuild).

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**Exemption from CPUC Permit Requirement:** CPUC General Order 131-D, Section III, Subsection 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 February 4, 2020 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

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](mailto: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 5739-E.

## **Notice Distribution List**

King City-Coburn No. 2 60kV Power Line Pole Replacement (Monterey County)

### **Advice 5739-E**

#### **Energy Commission**

Drew Bohan, Executive Director  
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Drew.Bohan@energy.ca.gov

Courtney Smith, Chief Deputy Director  
California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39  
Sacramento, California 95814  
Courtney.Smith@energy.ca.gov

#### **California Department of Fish and Wildlife**

Ms. Julie Vance, Regional Manager  
California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Central Region (4)  
1234 E. Shaw Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93710  
Julie.Vance@wildlife.ca.gov

#### **County of Monterey**

Mr. Brandon Swanson, Chief of Planning  
Resource Management Agency (RMA)  
1441 Schilling Place, Second Floor – South  
Salinas, CA 93901  
swansonb@co.monterey.ca.us

#### **Newspaper**

Greenfield News

**PG&E Gas and Electric  
Advice Submittal List  
General Order 96-B, Section IV**

AT&T	Downey & Brand	Pioneer Community Energy
Albion Power Company	East Bay Community Energy	Praxair
Alcantar & Kahl LLP	Ellison Schneider & Harris LLP	
	Energy Management Service	
Alta Power Group, LLC	Engineers and Scientists of California	Redwood Coast Energy Authority
Anderson & Poole	Evaluation + Strategy for Social Innovation	Regulatory & Cogeneration Service, Inc.
	GenOn Energy, Inc.	SCD Energy Solutions
Atlas ReFuel	Goodin, MacBride, Squeri, Schlotz & Ritchie	
BART	Green Charge Networks	SCE
	Green Power Institute	SDG&E and SoCalGas
Barkovich & Yap, Inc.	Hanna & Morton	
P.C. CalCom Solar	ICF	SPURR
California Cotton Ginners & Growers Assn	IGS Energy	San Francisco Water Power and Sewer
California Energy Commission	International Power Technology	Seattle City Light
California Public Utilities Commission	Intestate Gas Services, Inc.	Sempra Utilities
California State Association of Counties	Kelly Group	Southern California Edison Company
Calpine	Ken Bohn Consulting	Southern California Gas Company
	Keyes & Fox LLP	Spark Energy
Cameron-Daniel, P.C.	Leviton Manufacturing Co., Inc. Linde	Sun Light & Power
Casner, Steve	Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force	Sunshine Design
Cenergy Power	Los Angeles Dept of Water & Power	Tecogen, Inc.
Center for Biological Diversity	MRW & Associates	TerraVerde Renewable Partners
	Manatt Phelps Phillips	Tiger Natural Gas, Inc.
Chevron Pipeline and Power	Marin Energy Authority	
City of Palo Alto	McKenzie & Associates	TransCanada
	Modesto Irrigation District	Troutman Sanders LLP
City of San Jose	Morgan Stanley	Utility Cost Management
Clean Power Research	NLine Energy, Inc.	Utility Power Solutions
Coast Economic Consulting	NRG Solar	Utility Specialists
Commercial Energy		
County of Tehama - Department of Public Works	Office of Ratepayer Advocates	Verizon
Crossborder Energy	OnGrid Solar	Water and Energy Consulting Wellhead Electric Company
Crown Road Energy, LLC	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	Western Manufactured Housing Communities Association (WMA)
Davis Wright Tremaine LLP	Peninsula Clean Energy	Yep Energy
Day Carter Murphy		
Dept of General Services		
Don Pickett & Associates, Inc.		
Douglass & Liddell		