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### Pacific Gas & Electric Company ELC (Corp ID 39) Status of Advice Letter 4228G/5790E As of May 21, 2020

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To: Energy Company Filing Advice Letter

From: Energy Division PAL Coordinator

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Energy Division's Tariff Unit by e-mail to edtariffunit@cpuc.ca.gov



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March 23, 2020

#### **ADVICE 4228-G/5790-E**

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 M)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Post-retirement Benefits Other than Pensions (PBOPs) for the

period from 2017 to 2019

#### **Purpose**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits this advice submittal in compliance with the requirement in Decision (D.) 95-12-055 in PG&E's 1996 General Rate Case (GRC), Application (A.) 94-12-005, to provide a reconciliation of the revenue requirement associated with contributions to the PBOPs and Long Term Disability (LTD) trusts. Although the decisions in PG&E's intervening GRCs through the 2011 GRC continued to require these reconciliations, D.17-05-013 in PG&E's 2017 GRC did not restate this requirement. Contributions to the trusts matched the amounts adopted in D.17-05-013 for 2017, 2018 and 2019. Accordingly, no adjustment to PG&E's revenue requirements during 2017 to 2019 is necessary.

#### Background

This submittal is made in compliance with D.95-12-055 (OP 8, as modified by D.96-05-010) in PG&E's 1996 GRC (A.94-12-005), decisions in PG&E's intervening GRCs, and D.92-12-015 regarding ratemaking for PBOPs contributions. In the Settlement of the 2007 GRC, the Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) and PG&E agreed to a consolidated approach for the adopted contribution amounts for PBOPs and LTD. For example, if the amount adopted for the contribution to the PBOP medical plan trust could not be contributed to the plan's trust on a tax deductible basis, the amount could be contributed to the LTD trust (up to the maximum tax deductible amount). This approach has continued through the 2017 GRC cycle.

The following table shows that the contributions to the PBOPs medical and life and LTD trusts matched the amounts adopted in the 2017 GRC for the years 2017 to 2019:

PBOPs Medical and Life and LTD Trust Contributions (including Medicare Part D)<sup>[a], [b], [c], [d]</sup> (Millions of Dollars)

Line	Plan	2017	2018	2019	Total
1	PBOP-Med	20.1	24.5	22.7	67.3
2	PBOP-Life	3.6		2.1	5.8
3	Long Term Disability (LTD)	31.9	30.8	30.6	93.3
4	Sub-Total	55.6	55.3	55.5	166.4
5	Medicare Part D Subsidy				
6	PBOP-Med	5.0	3.7	2.0	10.7
7	LTD	0.3	.2	.1	.6
8	Sub-Total	5.3	3.9	2.1	11.3
9	Total Contributions to Trusts	60.9	59.2	57.6	177.7
10	Adopted	55.5	55.5	55.5	166.4
11	Difference	5.4	3.8	2.1	11.3

<sup>[</sup>a] Totals do not add due to rounding

Since the amounts contributed to the trusts matched the amount adopted in the 2017 GRC decision, no adjustment to PG&E's revenue requirement is necessary.

This submittal will not affect any other rate or charge, 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 letter sent via U.S. mail, facsimile or E-mail, no later than April 13, 2020, which is 21 days<sup>1</sup> after the date of this submittal. Protests must be submitted to:

<sup>[</sup>b] All Trust contributions were tax deductible.

<sup>[</sup>c] Due to an administrative error, \$0.3 million of the 2019 contribution was made in 2020.

<sup>[</sup>d] The net over contribution is due to the Medicare Part D subsidy received from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) which PG&E and the labor unions agreed would be credited to retirees and, therefore, are additional contributions to the PBOPs medical and LTD trusts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The 20-day protest period concludes on a weekend, therefore, PG&E is moving this date to the following business day.

CPUC Energy Division ED Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 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 shall also be sent to PG&E either via E-mail or U.S. mail (and by facsimile, if possible) at the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission:

Erik Jacobson
Director, Regulatory Relations
c/o Megan Lawson
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B13U
P.O. Box 770000
San Francisco, California 94177

Facsimile: (415) 973-3582 E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

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**

Pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B, Rule 5.2, this advice letter is submitted with a Tier 2 designation. PG&E requests that this Tier 2 advice submittal become effective on regular notice, April 22, 2020, which is 30 calendar days after the date of submittal.

#### **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 parties on the service list for A.15-09-001. 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 (415) Commission's Process Office at 703-2021 Process\_Office@cpuc.ca.gov. Send all electronic approvals to PGETariffs@pge.com. Advice letter submittals can also be accessed electronically at: http://www.pge.com/tariffs/.

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Erik Jacobson Director, Regulatory Relations

cc: Service List for A.15-09-001





## California Public Utilities Commission

# ADVICE LETTER



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MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)					
Company name/CPUC Utility No.: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (ID U39 M)					
Utility type:  LEC LEGAS WATER  PLC HEAT	Contact Person: Annie Ho Phone #: (415) 973-8794 E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com E-mail Disposition Notice to: AMHP@pge.com				
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE  ELC = Electric GAS = Gas WATER = Water  PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat WATER = Water	(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)				
Advice Letter (AL) #: 4228-G/5790-E	Tier Designation: 2				
Subject of AL: Post-retirement Benefits Other than Pensions (PBOPs) for the period from 2017 to 2019  Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance,  AL Type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other:					
If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: D.95-12-055					
Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: $_{ m No}$					
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: 4/22/20	No. of tariff sheets: $_{ m N/A}$				
Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): $_{ m N/A}$					
Estimated system average rate effect (%): $\mathrm{N/A}$					
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: $_{ m N/A}$					
Service affected and changes proposed $^{\scriptscriptstyle{ ext{1:}}}$ $_{ ext{N/A}}$					
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: $_{ m N/A}$					

## 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: <a href="mailto:EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov">EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov</a>

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Title: Director, Regulatory Relations

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

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California Cotton Ginners & Growers Assn California Energy Commission California Public Utilities Commission California State Association of Counties

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OnGrid Solar

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Peninsula Clean Energy

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Redwood Coast Energy Authority Regulatory & Cogeneration Service, Inc. SCD Energy Solutions

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SDG&E and SoCalGas

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