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#### Pacific Gas & Electric Company ELC (Corp ID 39) Status of Advice Letter 5819E As of June 7, 2020

Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of

East Grand- Traction Power Station #1 115 kV Power Line Intertie (Peninsula Corridor

Electrification Project) in the City of South San Francisco

Division Assigned: Energy

Date Filed: 05-08-2020

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Disposition: Accepted

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Commission Meeting Date: None

CPUC Contact Information:

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AL Certificate Contact Information:

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To: Energy Company Filing Advice Letter

From: Energy Division PAL Coordinator

Subject: Your Advice Letter Filing

The Energy Division of the California Public Utilities Commission has processed your recent Advice Letter (AL) filing and is returning an AL status certificate for your records.

The AL status certificate indicates:

Advice Letter Number
Name of Filer
CPUC Corporate ID number of Filer
Subject of Filing
Date Filed
Disposition of Filing (Accepted, Rejected, Withdrawn, etc.)
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Other Miscellaneous Information (e.g., Resolution, if applicable, etc.)

The Energy Division has made no changes to your copy of the Advice Letter Filing; please review your Advice Letter Filing with the information contained in the AL status certificate, and update your Advice Letter and tariff records accordingly.

All inquiries to the California Public Utilities Commission on the status of your Advice Letter Filing will be answered by Energy Division staff based on the information contained in the Energy Division's PAL database from which the AL status certificate is generated. If you have any questions on this matter please contact the:

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



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May 8, 2020

#### Advice 5819-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 East Grand- Traction Power Station #1 115 kV Power Line Intertie (Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project) in the

**City of South San Francisco** 

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**

To accommodate the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (larger project) in the City of South San Francisco, the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB) has requested Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to construct an intertie between PG&E's East Grand Substation and JPB's Traction Power Station #1 (TPS #1) with a new underground and overhead 115 Kilovolt (kV) double-circuit power line (line). The line begins (underground segment) at the southeast side of East Grand Substation and transitions to city streets onto Gateway Boulevard. The underground line then progresses northbound to the northwest intersection of East Grand Avenue and Gateway Boulevard. The underground line then enters a landscaped business park area and transitions to an overhead configuration. The overhead line progresses northwest along the northside of Grand Avenue within a parking lot and crosses the railroad tracks to terminate at JPB's future TPS #1 (north of the intersection of Dubuque Avenue and East Grand Avenue). The underground line is approximately 1,200 feet in length and the overhead line is approximately 1,000 feet in length. The underground line will typically be buried six feet below the ground surface in two trenches ranging from 3

to 6 feet wide per trench. The underground line also requires two underground vaults to be installed within the landscaped area at the northwest corner of Gateway Boulevard and East Grand Avenue. The overhead line consists of approximately six new tubular steel poles (TSPs) approximately 86 feet tall. Two fiber optic connections will be installed between East Grand Substation and the future TPS #1. One fiber connection will be installed within the underground line trench and then transition to the same overhead line of TSPs. The second fiber connection will be installed within the underground line trench and then in a separate trench starting at the underground to overhead line transition area at the northwest corner of Gateway Boulevard and East Grand Avenue. The second fiber optic connection progresses underground northwest along the northside of Grand Avenue within a parking lot and crosses the railroad tracks to terminate at JPB's future TPS #1. PG&E may need to install Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) obstruction lighting on some or all of the new TSPs in accordance with FAA requirements. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in the third quarter of 2020, or as soon as practicable after project approval. Construction will be completed in the third guarter of 2021, 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(s),

f. "power lines or substations to be relocated or constructed which have undergone environmental review pursuant to CEQA as part of a larger project, and for which the final CEQA document (Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or Negative Declaration) finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts caused by the proposed line or substation."

The Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board adopted an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) dated January 2015 for the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project and an Addendum to the EIR in March 2020, finding no significant unavoidable environmental impacts resulting from the proposed intertie, (both documents use State Clearinghouse # 2013012079).

Additionally, 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:

• Optimize phase configuration by "cross-phasing" individual circuits to cancel magnetic fields.

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

#### **Protests**

\*\*\*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the shelter at home orders, PG&E is currently unable to receive protests or comments to this advice letter via U.S. mail or fax. Please submit protests or comments to this advice letter to EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov and PGETariffs@pge.com\*\*\*

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by filing a protest with the CPUC and the Company by May 28, 2020, which is 20 days after the date of this filing. Protests should be mailed to the following address:

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 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 5819-E.

#### **Effective Date**

The Company requests that this Tier 2 advice filing become effective on June 7, 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/.

/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



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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 U39E)	
Utility type:  LC 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) #: 5819-E	Tier Designation: 2
Subject of AL: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of East Grand-Traction Power Station #1 115 kV Power Line Intertie (Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project) in the City of South San Francisco	
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance, G.O. 131-D  AL Type: ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annual ✔ One-Time ☐ Other:	
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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: 6/7/20	No. of tariff sheets: $_{\mathrm{0}}$
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 $^{\scriptscriptstyle{1:}}$ $_{\rm N/A}$	
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>

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

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: East Grand- Traction Power Station #1 115 kV Power Line Intertie (Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project), City of South San Francisco, PM 74032361
ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 5819-E

Proposed Project: To accommodate the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (larger project) in the City of South San Francisco, the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB) has requested Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to construct an intertie between PG&E's East Grand Substation and JPB's Traction Power Station #1 (TPS #1) with a new underground and overhead 115 Kilovolt (kV) double-circuit power line (line). The line begins (underground segment) at the southeast side of East Grand Substation and transitions to city streets onto Gateway Boulevard. The underground line then progresses northbound to the northwest intersection of East Grand Avenue and Gateway Boulevard. The underground line then enters a landscaped business park area and transitions to an overhead configuration. The overhead line progresses northwest along the northside of Grand Avenue within a parking lot and crosses the railroad tracks to terminate at JPB's future TPS #1 (north of the intersection of Dubuque Avenue and East Grand Avenue). The underground line is approximately 1,200 feet in length and the overhead line is approximately 1,000 feet in length. The underground line will typically be buried six feet below the ground surface in two trenches ranging from 3 to 6 feet wide per trench. The underground line also requires two underground vaults to be installed within the landscaped area at the northwest corner of Gateway Boulevard and East Grand Avenue. The overhead line consist of approximately six new tubular steel poles (TSPs) approximately 86 feet tall. Two fiber optic connections will be installed between East Grand Substation and the future TPS #1. One fiber connection will be installed within the underground line trench and then transition to the same overhead line of TSPs. The second fiber connection will be installed within the underground line trench and then in a separate trench starting at the underground to overhead line transition area at the northwest corner of Gateway Boulevard and East Grand Avenue. The second fiber optic connection progresses underground northwest along the northside of Grand Avenue within a parking lot and crosses the railroad tracks to terminate at JPB's future TPS #1. PG&E may need to install Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) obstruction lighting on some or all of the new TSPs in accordance with FAA requirements. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in the third quarter of 2020, or as soon as practicable after project approval. Construction will be completed in the third quarter of 2021, 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:

• Optimize phase configuration by "cross-phasing" individual circuits to cancel magnetic fields.

**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:

f. "power lines or substations to be relocated or constructed which have undergone environmental review pursuant to CEQA as part of a larger project, and for which the final CEQA document (Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or Negative Declaration) finds no significant unavoidable environmental impacts caused by the proposed line or substation."

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**Additional Project Information:** To obtain further information on the proposed project, please call PG&E's <u>Project Information Line at (415) 973-5530.</u>

**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.
- Reference to the CPUC Advice Letter Number and Project Name.
- 3. A clear description of the reason for the protest.
- Whether you believe that evidentiary hearings are necessary to resolve factual disputes.

#### ${\it Protests for this project must be filed by \it May 28, 2020 at the following address:}$

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: <a href="mailto:public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov">public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov</a> 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 5819-E.

#### **Notice Distribution List**

## East Grand- Traction Power Station #1 115 kV Power Line Intertie (Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project), City of South San Francisco, PM 74032361

#### Advice 5819-E

#### **Energy Commission**

Mr. Drew Bohan, Executive Director California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street, Mail Stop 39 Sacramento, California 95814 Drew.Bohan@energy.ca.gov

Ms. Courtney Smith, Executive 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

Mr. Gregg Erickson, Regional Manager California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Bay Delta Region (3) 2825 Cordelia Road, Suite 100 Fairfield, CA 94534 Gregg.Erickson@wildlife.ca.gov

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The Examiner

### PG&E Gas and Electric Advice Submittal List

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California Cotton Ginners & Growers Assn
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California Public Utilities Commission
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Cenergy Power
Center for Biological Diversity

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East Bay Community Energy
Ellison Schneider & Harris LLP
Energy Management Service

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Office of Ratepayer Advocates OnGrid Solar Pacific Gas and Electric Company Peninsula Clean Energy Pioneer Community Energy

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

SCE SDG&E and SoCalGas

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