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Pacific Gas & Electric Company
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Status of Advice Letter 6085E
As of April 28, 2021

Subject: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of Exchequer-Yosemite 70 kV Power Line Reliability Project in the County of Mariposa

Division Assigned: Energy

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Authorizing Documents: None

Disposition:	Accepted
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Resolution Required: No

Resolution Number: None

Commission Meeting Date: None

CPUC Contact Information:

edtariffunit@cpuc.ca.gov

AL Certificate Contact Information:

Kimberly Loo

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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- Disposition of Filing (Accepted, Rejected, Withdrawn, etc.)
- Effective Date of Filing
- 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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February 11, 2021

Advice 6085-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 Exchequer-Yosemite 70 kV Power Line Reliability Project in the County of Mariposa

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

As previously noticed (Advice Letter Number (AL) 5486-E), Pacific Gas and Electric Company is proposing to upgrade the Exchequer-Yosemite 70 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line to continue to maintain safe and reliable electric service to customers in Mariposa County. The Exchequer-Yosemite 70 kV Power Line, supported by approximately 244 steel structures, spans approximately 35 miles across rural and sparsely populated areas of Mariposa County from Exchequer Substation at Lake McClure to the border of Yosemite National Park in the Community of El Portal.

In the eastern 18-mile section of the project between Telegraph Road and the border of Yosemite National Park in El Portal, the project originally planned to replace approximately 3 miles of conductor and 6 lattice steel towers with lattice steel poles, reinforce other lattice steel towers, and raise one tower. After further review, PG&E now proposes to replace all conductors and approximately 37 lattice steel towers and approximately 15 lattice steel poles with lattice steel poles (replacement) ranging from approximately 3 feet shorter to 42 feet taller than the existing lattice steel towers and poles, which vary in height from approximately 58 to 107 feet tall. PG&E also proposes

to install inline 2 new lattice steel poles (intersetting), one approximately 82 feet tall and the other approximately 92 feet tall.

The steel structures that are taller are required to comply with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order 95 minimum ground-to-conductor clearance requirements. Helicopters will be used to facilitate construction in undeveloped areas. Limited by power clearances and seasonal constraints, power line construction will occur during limited annual construction periods. Construction is tentatively scheduled to resume in spring 2021 or as soon as practicable after project approval. Construction is scheduled to be completed in winter 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 exemptions,

- b. "the replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures."
- c. "the intersetting of additional support structures between existing support structures."

This submittal 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 submittal may do so by submitting a protest with the CPUC and the Company by March 3, 2021, 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
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 6085-E.

Effective Date

The Company requests that this Tier 2 advice filing become effective on March 13, 2021, 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



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) #: 6085-E

Tier Designation: 2

Subject of AL: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of Exchequer-Yosemite 70 kV Power Line Reliability Project in the County of Mariposa

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance, 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: 3/13/21

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 proposed¹: N/A

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

¹Discuss 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

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Title: Director, Regulatory Relations
Utility Name: Pacific Gas and Electric Company
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State: California Zip: 94177
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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: Exchequer-Yosemite 70 kV Power Line Reliability Project - (Mariposa County, T. No. 0000322)**ADVICE LETTER NUMBER: 6085-E**

Proposed Project: As previously noticed (Advice Letter Number (AL) 5486-E), Pacific Gas and Electric Company is proposing to upgrade the Exchequer-Yosemite 70 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line to continue to maintain safe and reliable electric service to customers in Mariposa County. The Exchequer-Yosemite 70 kV Power Line, supported by approximately 244 steel structures, spans approximately 35 miles across rural and sparsely populated areas of Mariposa County from Exchequer Substation at Lake McClure to the border of Yosemite National Park in the Community of El Portal.

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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:

- b. "the replacement of existing power line facilities or supporting structures with equivalent facilities or structures."
- c. "the intersetting of additional support structures between existing support structures."

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 March 3, 2021 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 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 6085-E.

Notice Distribution List

Exchequer-Yosemite 70 kV Power Line Reliability Project

Advice 6085-E

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PG&E Gas and Electric Advice Submittal List

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