

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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July 5, 2022

**Advice Letters 6186-E, AL 6186-E-A, AL 6168-E-B**

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**SUBJECT: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of Ignacio-Alto-Sausalito #1 and #2 60 kV Power Line, SCADA Switch Program in the City of Mill Valley, County of Marin.**

Dear Mr. Jacobson:

Advice Letters 6186-E, AL 6186-E-A, AL 6168-E-B are effective as of June 23, 2022, per Resolution E-5207 ordering paragraphs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pete Skala".

Pete Skala  
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Interim Director, Energy Division, CPUC  
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November 4, 2021

**Advice 6186-E-A**  
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Supplemental: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of the Ignacio-Alto-Sausalito #1 and #2 60 kV Power Lines, SCADA Switch Program, in the City of Mill Valley, County of Marin**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby provides supplemental information to Advice Letter 6186-E regarding design changes made to address concerns raised by the protests. The project description in Advice Letter 6186-E, which provided notice of construction pursuant to General Order (G.O.) 131-D, is being revised to reflect the redesigned project.

### **Purpose**

This advice letter provides supplemental information to Advice Letter 6186-E.

### **Background**

Pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) GO 131-D, PG&E submitted Advice Letter 6186-E on May 4, 2021, concerning its request to replace a tower and 2 switches on the Ignacio-Alto-Sausalito #1 and #2 60 kV Power Lines with 3 steel poles and 4 switches. The project is located on a hill in Mill Valley, California, and is part of PG&E's efforts to address wildfire protection and minimize customer outages. As indicated in the advice letter, the project is exempt from permitting requirements under the Commission's GO 131-D, Section III. B.1, subsection (g) for work in an existing "public utility easement."

Between May 17 and May 24, 2021, a number of concerns were raised in protests to the project submitted by Jeremiah Revitch, Gail Katz, Michael Green, Janet Oelklaus, Katherine Hale, Cherie Whitmore, Gregory, Jessica and Patrick Mullin, Regina and Rich Garcia, Peter Riaboff, Dave and Peggy Chenoweth, Mark and Julianna Hayes, Danielle and Erik Lundgren, and Carlos and Emily Montalvan (Protestants).

On May 24, 2021, due to the concerns raised in the protests, PG&E requested that the CPUC suspend the advice letter while PG&E explored other design and construction options for revising the project to minimize impacts. The CPUC suspended the advice letter on May 25, 2021. PG&E submitted a reply to the protests on June 2, 2021, indicating it was looking into ways to refine the proposed project to help further reduce impacts and would report back the Commission and those who filed protests once that process was completed.

Earlier this week, PG&E submitted an additional reply to the protests, answering general questions and providing details of the redesigned project. PG&E now submits this supplemental advice letter to update the project description with the new design.

### **Supplemental Information**

The updated project description is as follows, with deletions crossed out and new information underlined:

To maintain safe and reliable electric service in the City of Mill Valley and to support Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) Public Safety Power Shut-off (PSPS) program, PG&E is proposing to replace two manually-operated power switches with four new Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) switches on the Ignacio-Alto-Sausalito #1 and #2 60 kV Power Lines. One existing approximately 95-foot-tall lattice steel tower (currently supporting the #1 and #2 Power Lines), located in an existing easement between Keats Drive and Seaver Drive and approximately 145 feet northeasterly of Roque Moraes Drive in the City of Mill Valley, will be replaced by two new approximately 100-foot-tall tubular steel poles, each to support one circuit (existing easement). One of the new tubular steel poles will be installed approximately 20 feet north of the existing lattice steel tower and the second new tubular steel pole will be installed approximately ~~20 feet south~~ at the site of the existing lattice steel tower. ~~One new approximately 87-foot-tall light duty steel pole will be installed approximately 54 feet west of the existing lattice steel tower to maintain ground clearance of the Ignacio-Alto-Sausalito #1 Power Line over the residential area west of the project~~ (existing easement), allowing a somewhat smaller construction footprint. The new structures will ~~range from approximately 8 feet shorter to be~~ approximately 5 feet taller than the existing lattice steel tower. The work will improve the operation and safety of the power lines. Mobile generators will be needed so that outages may be taken on the lines to complete the project. They are planned to be located at Alto Substation and in a developed area in unincorporated Marin County, likely in the parking lot of Marin Gateway Shopping Center, next to the freeway. These mobile generators will need to operate for approximately 10-14 days, 24/7 while the work is completed on the lines. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in ~~June of 2024~~ the spring of 2022 or as soon as practicable after project approval. Construction will be completed ~~in August 2021, or~~ as soon as possible after construction begins.

**Protests**

**\*\*\*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, 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\*\*\***

PG&E asks that the Commission, pursuant to GO 96-B, reopen the protest and comment period.

Anyone wishing to protest this submittal may do so by letter sent via U.S. mail, facsimile or E-mail, no later than November 24, 2021, which is 20 days after the date of this submittal. Protests must be submitted to:

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:

Sidney Bob Dietz II  
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**

PG&E requests that this Tier 2 advice submittal become effective on regular notice, December 4, 2021, 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 to parties shown on the attached list and the parties on the service list for Parties Listed in G.O. 131-D, Paragraphs B.1 and B.2. 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 Commission's Process Office at (415) 703-2021 or at 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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/S/

Sidney Bob Dietz II  
Director, Regulatory Relations

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



# 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) #: 6186-E-A

Tier Designation: 2

Subject of AL: Supplemental: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of Ignacio-Alto-Sausalito #1 and #2 60 kV Power Line, SCADA Switch Program in the City of Mill Valley, County of Marin

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: 12/4/21

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 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: Sidney Bob Dietz II, c/o Megan Lawson  
Title: Director, Regulatory Relations  
Utility Name: Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
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State: California Zip: 94177  
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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:  
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Email:

## **Notice Distribution List**

Ignacio-Alto-Sausalito #1 and #2 60 kV Power Lines, SCADA Switch Program – (City of Mill Valley, T. No. 0007160 and 0007170)

### **Advice 6186-E-A**

#### **Energy Commission**

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

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California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Bay Delta Region  
7329 Silverado Trail  
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26 Corte Madera Avenue  
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#### **Newspaper**

Marin Independent Journal

## PG&E Gas and Electric Advice Submittal List

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