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Advice Letter 6320-E, AL 6320-E-A

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SUBJECT: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of the Dixon-Vaca #2 60 kV Power Line Fiber-Optic Communication Line Replacement Project in the County of Solano.

Dear Mr. Jacobson:

Advice Letter 6320-E, AL 6320-E-A is effective as of October 8, 2021.

Sincerely,

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Advice 6320-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 Dixon-Vaca #2 60 kV Power Line Fiber-Optic Communication Line Replacement Project in the County of Solano**

At the request of the Public Advocates Office (PAO), Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E or the Company) hereby provides supplemental information to Advice Letter 6320-E. The project description in Advice Letter 6320-E, which provided notice of construction pursuant to General Order (G.O.) 131-D, is being supplemented with information on the existing and proposed fiber-optic communication line and requirements of General Order 95 described below.

Purpose

This advice letter provides supplemental information to Advice Letter 6320-E.

Background

PG&E filed Advice Letter 6320-E with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or Commission) on September 8, 2021, concerning its proposal to replace approximately 45 existing poles of the existing Dixon-Vaca #2 60 Kilovolt (kV) Power Line in unincorporated Solano County in order to accommodate the replacement of an existing fiber-optic communication line. As indicated in the advice letter, the project is exempt from permitting requirements under the Commission's General Order 131-D (GO 131-D), Section III. B.1, subsection (b).

PAO requested a meeting with PG&E to discuss this Advice Letter on September 28, 2021. On October 4, 2021, at the meeting, PAO requested that PG&E file a supplement to the advice letter providing additional information on the existing and proposed fiber-optic communication line and requirements of General Order 95. PG&E now submits this supplemental advice letter to formally add the requested information.

Supplemental Information

The updated project description is as follows, with new information underlined:

To improve reliability through improved communication between facilities in the North Bay and Sacramento area, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) proposes to replace approximately 45 existing poles on PG&E's existing Dixon-Vaca #2 60 kilovolt (kV) Power Line to support the replacement of an existing fiber-optic communication line with an equivalent fiber-optic communication line with no increase in bandwidth. The existing fiber cable is failing due to damage caused by squirrels chewing on the fiber casing and apparent gunshot damage. The work begins near the intersection of Lewis Road and existing railroad tracks approximately 0.4 miles north of Hawkins Road in Solano County in an agricultural setting. The fiber-optic communication line starts on four existing distribution poles on the north side of the railroad tracks, turns south at Lewis Road, crosses over the railroad tracks and reaches the existing Dixon-Vaca #2 60 kV Power Line, where it remains for the remainder of the Project. The power line parallels the southern side of the railroad tracks for approximately 0.9 miles and then turns south for approximately 750 feet to the intersection of Holdener Road and B Street. The power line follows the northwestern side of B Street approximately 0.3 miles through the residential community of Elmira. At the intersection of B Street and Water Street, the line turns west for approximately 525 feet to South A Street, parallels the existing railroad tracks again through agricultural lands for approximately 1.5 miles, and terminates on an agricultural road approximately 0.3 miles east of the intersection of Leisure Town Road and Kodiak Drive. Approximately 45 existing wood structures, which range in height from approximately 50 feet to 75 feet tall, will be replaced with new wood or light duty steel poles that will be the same height or up to approximately 15 feet taller than the existing poles. The taller poles are needed to comply with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order 95 minimum clearance requirements and to meet current design standards. CPUC General Order 95 Rule 12.3 is updated regularly and provides that its minimum clearance requirements "do not apply to lines or portions of lines constructed or reconstructed prior to the effective date of [an updated] Order." However, it further provides that, "[i]n all other particulars, such lines or portions of lines shall conform to the requirements of the rule in effect at the time of their construction or reconstruction." Because PG&E is replacing a fiber-optic communication line on these poles, PG&E must ensure that the replacement communication line meets the current requirements of General Order 95. To do so, PG&E must replace approximately 45 existing poles. The project spans over, parallels, and avoids several irrigation canals and a channelized creek. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in spring 2022 or as soon as project plans and approvals are in place. Construction will be completed in summer 2022, or as soon as possible after construction begins.

Protests

PG&E asks that the Commission, pursuant to GO 96-B, Section 7.5.1, maintain the original protest and comment period designated in Advice 6320-E and not reopen the protest period.

Effective Date

PG&E requests that this Tier 2 advice submittal become effective concurrent with original Advice Letter 6320-E, which is October 8, 2021.

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 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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Sidney Bob Dietz II
Director, Regulatory Relations

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

California Public Utilities Commission

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:
- [x] ELC
- [ ] GAS
- [ ] WATER
- [ ] PLC
- [ ] HEAT

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EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE
ELC = Electric GAS = Gas WATER = Water
PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat

(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 6320-E-A

Tier Designation: 2

Subject of AL: Supplemental: Submits Notice of Construction, Pursuant to General Order 131-D, for the Construction of the Dixon-Vaca #2 60 kV Power Line Fiber-Optic Communication Line Replacement Project in the County of Solano

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

AL Type: [ ] Monthly [ ] Quarterly [ ] Annual [x] 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 [x] 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 [x] No

Requested effective date: 10/8/21

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[1]: N/A

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

[1]Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

Clear Form

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:

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Clear Form

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