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Pacific Gas & Electric Company
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As of August 17, 2022

Subject: Vegetation Management Balancing Account Revenue Requirement True Up Per Decision
20-12-005 Ordering Paragraphs 8

Division Assigned: Energy

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Resolution Required: No

Resolution Number: None

Commission Meeting Date: None

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From: Energy Division PAL Coordinator

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July 22, 2022

Advice 6661-E

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company U 39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Vegetation Management Balancing Account Revenue Requirement
True Up Per Decision 20-12-005 Ordering Paragraphs 8**

Purpose

In accordance with Ordering Paragraphs (OP) 8 of Decision (D.) 20-12-005, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits this Tier 2 advice letter to seek recovery of the Vegetation Management Balancing Account (VMBA) expense undercollection of \$132.619 million as authorized by D.20-12-005 Ordering Paragraph (OP) 1.

PG&E originally submitted this advice letter on July 8, 2022 (Advice 4631-G/6643-E). In that Advice Letter PG&E inadvertently included a gas advice letter number in error. PG&E has withdrawn Advice 4631-G/6643-E and is replacing it with this advice letter. The only change to Advice 4631-G/6643-E is the removal of the gas advice letter number. No other changes have been made.

Background

On December 13, 2018, PG&E filed its 2020 General Rate Case (GRC) application requesting the Commission authorize its GRC revenue requirement for the 2020-2022 period. On December 20, 2019, PG&E filed the Joint Motion of the Public Advocates Office, The Utility Reform Network, Small Business Utility Advocates, Center for Accessible Technology, The National Diversity Coalition, Coalition of California Utility Employees, California City County Street Light Association, The Office of the Safety Advocate, and PG&E for approval of a settlement agreement.

On December 3, 2020, the CPUC approved D.20-12-005 in PG&E's 2020 GRC, approving the Settlement Agreement (SA), with certain modifications, and adopting base revenue requirements for the 2020-2022 GRC term.

The SA, as revised and approved by D.20-12-005 OP 1, authorizes PG&E to recover VMBA expenses up to 120% of the adopted values through a Tier 2 advice letter.¹

The SA, as revised by the D.20-12-005 OP 1.a., requires that recorded amounts greater than 120% of the adopted values be recovered through a separate application. PG&E does not seek recovery of recorded amounts greater than 120% of adopted through this advice letter. In accordance with OP 1.a., PG&E will seek recovery of such costs through a future application.

On December 22, 2020, in accordance with D.20-12-005, PG&E filed Advice Letter 4344-G/6032-E, which included the following updates and revisions:

- Modified the VMBA (Electric Preliminary Statement BU) to become a two-way balancing account that records actual Routine and Enhanced Vegetation Management costs compared to amounts adopted in PG&E's GRC, and records costs for Tree Mortality and Fire Risk Reduction that were previously recovered through the Catastrophic Emergency Memorandum Account (CEMA).

Undercollection of 2022 Expenses

Table 1 below shows the adopted expense amount for 2022 as provided in SA section 2.3.3, the associated expense at 120% of the adopted amount and the amount PG&E is seeking recovery of in this advice letter for the VMBA. Additional details are provided in Attachment A.

**Table 1:
2022 VMBA Undercollection Calculation (Amounts in Thousands)**

Expense Adopted	Expense Adopted at 120%	Expense Undercollection	Revenue Fees & Uncollectibles Electric: 0.010811	Total Revenue Requirement for Advice Letter filing
\$663,096	\$795,715	\$132,619	\$1,434	\$134,053

Note: table sums may not add up due to rounding

PG&E proposes to incorporate these revenue requirements in rates in a future electric rate change.

¹ See 2020 GRC SA Section 2.3.3 Table 3 for the adopted values. The 2022 adopted expense value is \$663.096 million. As of June 30, 2022, the recorded balance for VBMA was \$938.339 million.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this submittal may do so by letter sent electronically via E-mail, no later than August 11, 2022, which is 20 days after the date of this submittal. Protests must be submitted to:

CPUC Energy Division
ED Tariff Unit
E-mail: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

The protest shall also be electronically sent to PG&E via E-mail at the address shown below on the same date it is electronically delivered to the Commission:

Sidney Bob Dietz II
Director, Regulatory Relations
c/o Megan Lawson
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 and 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, and OP 8 of D. 20-12-005, this advice letter is submitted with a Tier 2 designation. PG&E requests that this Tier 2 advice submittal become effective on regular notice, August 7, 2022, which is 30 calendar days after the date of submittal of the original Advice 4631-G/6643-E.

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. 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/>.

/S/

Sidney Bob Dietz II
Director, Regulatory Relations

Attachments: Attachment A: 2020 GRC Revenue Requirement - VMBA

cc: Service List A.18-12-009



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 U39 E)

Utility type:

☒ ELC ☐ GAS ☐ 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

(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 6661-E

Tier Designation: 2

Subject of AL: Vegetation Management Balancing Account Revenue Requirement True Up Per Decision 20-12-005
Ordering Paragraphs 8

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Balancing Account

AL Type: ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annual ☒ One-Time ☐ Other:

If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: D.20-12-005

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: 4631-G/6643-E

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL: Removal of Gas Number

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: 8/7/22

No. of tariff sheets: N/A

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 correspondence regarding this AL are to be sent via email and are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

California Public Utilities Commission
Energy Division Tariff Unit Email:
EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

Contact Name: Sidnev Bob Dietz II. c/o Megan Lawson
Title: Director, Regulatory Relations
Utility/Entity Name: Pacific Gas and Electric Company

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Clear Form

Attachment A

2020 GRC Revenue Requirement - VMBA

2022 VMBA Revenue Requirement and Undercollection Calculation								
Table 1: VMBA Revenue Requirement for the costs between 100%-120% of authorized spend								
Program	100% of authorized spend	Spend % covered in the Advice letter filing	Expense Adopted at 120%	Spend \$ covered in the Advice letter filing	Revenue Fees and Uncollectibles factor	Revenue Fees and Uncollectibles \$	Total Revenue Requirement for advice letter filing	VMBA Expense Undercollection Subject to Recovery in advice letter
Vegetation Management								
Balancing account	663,096	20%	795,715	132,619	0.010811	1,434	134,053	134,053
Total	663,096			132,619		1,434	134,053	134,053

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

AT&T
Albion Power Company

Alta Power Group, LLC
Anderson & Poole

Atlas ReFuel
BART

Barkovich & Yap, Inc.
Braun Blaising Smith Wynne, P.C.
California Cotton Ginners & Growers Assn
California Energy Commission

California Hub for Energy Efficiency
Financing

California Alternative Energy and
Advanced Transportation Financing
Authority
California Public Utilities Commission
Calpine

Cameron-Daniel, P.C.
Casner, Steve
Center for Biological Diversity

Chevron Pipeline and Power
City of Palo Alto

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Clean Power Research
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Commercial Energy
Crossborder Energy
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Davis Wright Tremaine LLP
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Douglass & Liddell

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GenOn Energy, Inc.
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Ritchie
Green Power Institute
Hanna & Morton
ICF
International Power Technology

Intertie

Intestate Gas Services, Inc.
Kelly Group
Ken Bohn Consulting
Keyes & Fox LLP
Leviton Manufacturing Co., Inc.

Los Angeles County Integrated
Waste Management Task Force
MRW & Associates
Manatt Phelps Phillips
Marin Energy Authority
McClintock IP
McKenzie & Associates

Modesto Irrigation District
NLine Energy, Inc.
NRG Solar

OnGrid Solar
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Peninsula Clean Energy

Pioneer Community Energy

Public Advocates Office

Redwood Coast Energy Authority
Regulatory & Cogeneration Service, Inc.
SCD Energy Solutions
San Diego Gas & Electric Company

SPURR
San Francisco Water Power and Sewer
Semptra Utilities

Sierra Telephone Company, Inc.
Southern California Edison Company
Southern California Gas Company
Spark Energy
Sun Light & Power
Sunshine Design
Stoel Rives LLP

Tecogen, Inc.
TerraVerde Renewable Partners
Tiger Natural Gas, Inc.

TransCanada
Utility Cost Management
Utility Power Solutions
Water and Energy Consulting Wellhead
Electric Company
Western Manufactured Housing
Communities Association (WMA)
Yep Energy