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July 10, 2023

Advice 6983-E

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Added Agenda Items to Semi-Annual Local and Tribal Workshop in Compliance with Decision 20-06-017 and Pursuant to Decision 23-06-008

Purpose

Ordering Paragraph (OP) 1 of Decision (D.) 23-06-008 requires Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to submit a Tier 1 Advice Letter (AL) confirming it will include the following items in the agenda of each semi-annual local and tribal workshop held in compliance with Decision 20-06-017: (a) briefing about the utility's wildfire-related transmission and distribution investment plans, including plans for potential undergrounding project locations that are not final; and (b) opportunity for local and tribal governments to share their priority sites for wildfire-related undergrounding projects.

Background

The Commission initiated Rulemaking ("R.") 19-09-009 to develop a policy framework surrounding the commercialization of microgrids and related resiliency strategies and to implement Senate Bill (SB) 1339 (Stern, 2018).

On June 17, 2020, The Commission issued D.20-06-017 adopting short-term actions to accelerate microgrid deployment and related resiliency solutions requiring PG&E, SCE, and SDG&E, as part of OP 7, to conduct semi-annual workshops (Semi-Annual Local/Tribal Workshops) designed to provide local and tribal jurisdictions with a better understanding of grid operations, utility infrastructure, and the nature of weather events alongside utilities' Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) mitigation initiatives so utilities can make informed decisions on where to focus their resiliency planning efforts, capital investments, and pre-PSPS event operations.

OP 7 of D.20-06-017 requires:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), Southern California Edison Company (SCE), and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) shall each submit a Tier

2 Advice Letter within 30 days of the date of issuance of this decision, that document their plans to conduct semi-annual workshops designed to help empower local and tribal jurisdictions with a better understanding of grid operations, utility infrastructure, and the nature of weather events alongside utilities' Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) mitigation initiatives in order to make informed decisions on where to focus their resiliency planning efforts, capital investments, and pre-PSPS event operations consistent with Section 4.3.2.1 of this decision. This Advice Letter should specifically address how the utilities plan to develop and ensure that effective internal communication processes exist for managing interface with local and tribal government by enumerating how they will achieve the outcomes below:

- a) Designating utility interface roles and responsibilities;*
- b) Managing engagement with local and tribal government and building and sustaining effective relationships;*
- c) Establishing and maintaining open, accurate, and consistent lines of communication;*
- d) Involving local and tribal government in planning and vetting of utility actions impacting local and tribal government; and*
- e) Executing agreements impacting local and tribal governments.*

Additionally, in this advice letter filing, the utilities are directed to include draft agendas for local and tribal government engagement meetings and discuss how they plan to meet the specific content requirements of the workshops through examples of draft agenda items. Agenda items shall include, but not be limited to:

- a) Explanations of how the electric transmission system and distribution system operates in the area;*
- b) Explanations of local grid topology and circuit configuration;*
- c) Informing local and tribal governments about electric transmission and distribution infrastructure investment and operational plans;*
- d) Discussion and visualization for context purposes of prior PSPS events;*
- e) Weather and climatology analysis predictions for anticipated PSPS events;*
- f) Case studies of outage scenarios a county is likely to experience based on predictable weather events;*
- g) Granular, local reporting of reliability statistics; and*
- h) How the utility plans to incorporate and reflect community and local and tribal government input.*

Furthermore, the utilities shall use these Advice Letter filings to explain how they plan to coordinate the collaborative planning session about enhancing grid resilience within the local and tribal government area (i.e., a county). This explanation should include how this planning session will achieve the following:

- a) *Outreach to county office of emergency services or other, similar government organizations responsible for implementing the State Emergency Plan;*
- b) *Moderated by county office of emergency services administrator, or other similar government organization, (unless administrator specifically declines invitation to do so, and either designates another government organization or has the utility moderate);*
- c) *Outreach to community and tribal organizations, including representation of disadvantaged communities and access and functional needs populations;*
- d) *Incorporate relevant elements of a community-based collaborative planning framework as suggested by the Energy Division Staff Proposal (i.e., as the National Institute of Standards and Technology Community Resilience Planning Guide or its Resilient Communities Toolkit); and*
- e) *Based on best practices such as San Diego Gas & Electric Company's community engagement.*

The utilities shall use this Advice Letter to discuss how they intend to coordinate and harmonize these workshops with existing requirements and how they could incorporate Public Utilities Code Section 956.5-type parameters to implement the requirements of this decision. The utilities shall discuss how they plan to effectuate the following requirements:

- a) *Public Safety Power Shutoff working group meetings, as required by Rulemaking 18-12-005 and any subsequent requirements arising from that proceeding;*
- b) *Disaster response plan requirements pursuant to General Order (GO) 166;*
- c) *Annual reliability reporting obligations pursuant to Decision 16-01-008 and Public Utilities Code Section 2774.1; and*
- d) *Land use consultation requirements as laid out in GO 131-D, Section XIV. In this Advice Letter submittal, PG&E, SCE, and SDG&E shall reference compliance with this decision pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 7.*

On May 19, 2017, the Commission issued Rulemaking 17-05-010 to enhance the fair and efficient allocation of ratepayer funds used to replace overhead lines with underground facilities under utility-administered Rule 20 programs.

Decision 23-06-008, titled Phase 2 Decision Revising Electric Rule 20 and Establishing Local and Tribal Consultation Requirements, was voted in by the Commission on June 8, 2023. This decision closes the Rulemaking, provides guidebook updates, and describes the methods by which the utilities are to handle future credit reallocations, deductions, and prioritization. As part of Ordering Paragraph 1, the decision also specifies local and tribal workshop agenda topics.

OP1 of Decision 23-06-008 explicitly states that utilities are to include the following items in the agenda of each semi-annual local and tribal workshop held in compliance with Decision 20-06-017:

- a) *A briefing about the utility's wildfire-related transmission and distribution investment plans, including plans for potential undergrounding project locations that are not final; and*
- b) *Opportunities for local and tribal governments to share their priority sites for wildfire-related undergrounding projects*

Reasoning for this order stems from the proposal that local and tribal governments should have the opportunity to provide input on large electric utilities' wildfire-related undergrounding plans on a regular basis, leveraging an existing local and tribal consultation process to minimize administrative costs.

Discussion – Added Workshop Content and Agenda Items

The Commission directs PG&E, SCE, and SDG&E to include the following items in the agenda of each semi-annual workshop held in accordance with Decision 20-06-017:

- a) briefing about the utility's wildfire-related transmission and distribution investment plans, including plans for potential undergrounding project locations that are not final; and
- b) opportunity for local and tribal governments to share their priority sites for wildfire-related undergrounding projects.

PG&E commits to providing the following information at each semi-annual workshop held in accordance with Decision 20-06-017:

- Wildfire-related transmission and distribution safety work overview, including PG&E's undergrounding workplan that captures sites that are not final; and
- Process for how local and tribal governments can share feedback with PG&E on our undergrounding workplan.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this submittal may do so by letter sent electronically via E-mail, no later than July 31, 2023 which is 21 days¹ after the date of this submittal. Protests must be submitted to:

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

¹ The 20-day protest period concludes on a weekend, therefore, PG&E is moving this date to the following business day.

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 5.1, (and OP 1 of D.23-06-008), this advice letter is submitted with a Tier 1 designation. PG&E requests that this Tier 1 advice submittal become effective upon date of submittal, which is July 10, 2023.

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 R.17-05-010. 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
CPUC Communications

cc: Julian Enis, Energy Division
Service List R.17-05-010



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

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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) #: 6983-E

Tier Designation: 1

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Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance

AL Type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other:

If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: D.23-06-008

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: 7/10/23

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 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

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General Order 96-B, Section IV**

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