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Subject: Notification of Planned Deration/Downrate of Gas Transmission Pipelines 0618-03 Mile Point (MP) 0-3.52, 0618-05 MP 0-1.41, 0618-10 MP 0-1.47, and District Regulation Route 4093 MP 0-1.75

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Resolution Number: None

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From: Energy Division PAL Coordinator

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December 15, 2025

Advice 5153-G
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: **Notification of Planned Deration/Downrate of Gas Transmission Pipelines 0618-03 Mile Point (MP) 0-3.52, 0618-05 MP 0-1.41, 0618-10 MP 0-1.47, and District Regulation Route 4093 MP 0-1.75.**

Purpose

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) submits this Informational-only advice letter to provide notification of a planned transmission pipeline deration/downrate[1]. Pursuant to the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission or CPUC) Decision (D.) 23-12-003 issued December 21, 2023 in the Commission's Order Instituting Rulemaking (OIR) to Establish Policies, Processes, and Rule to Ensure Safe and Reliable Gas Systems in California and Perform Long-Term Gas System Planning (Gas System Planning) (R.) 20-01-007, the advice letter is filed in compliance with Ordering Paragraph (OP) 3 and Attachment B.

Background

In December 2023, the Commission issued Decision (D.) 23-12-003, *Phase 2 Issues Regarding Transmission Pipelines and Storage*, which, among other items, established criteria and a regulatory review process for transmission pipeline derates/downrates effective January 1, 2024. The Decision established the following criteria:

1. Utilities must consider for derating or decommissioning all transmission pipelines that are no longer needed at total nominal capacity to meet design standards or state or federal safety requirements, to ensure electric reliability, to serve hard-to-electrify customers, or to provide for the redundancy needed to allow for routine maintenance.

2. If a transmission pipeline is not needed at its total nominal capacity but cannot deliver sufficient fuel to meet demand at less than 20 percent Specified Minimum Yield Strength it should not be considered for deration.

[1] PG&E uses the term "downrate," which is equivalent to the Decision's term "derate."

3. Before gas assets are derated or decommissioned, replacement energy sources must be built and operational or demand must have declined sufficiently to avoid the system falling below reliability standards or otherwise losing the ability to meet local customers' energy needs.

4. Utilities must notify the Commission of planned derations in an information-only submittal provided at least 30 days prior to executing a planned transmission pipeline deration. Information-only submittals for derating projects underway at the time this decision is issued shall be provided as soon as practicable.

5. Utilities must serve the information-only submittals to parties to Rulemaking (R.) 20-01-007 and any subsequent long-term gas planning proceeding.

6. The information-only submittal must:

a. Provide information about each transmission pipeline to demonstrate that it is no longer needed at total nominal capacity.
b. Demonstrate that the new distribution pipeline is needed to serve customers;
c. Summarize the anticipated costs of the proposed deration.

Consistent with the Commission's directive, Attachment A to this Advice letter provides the required information described in item six above for the downrate of transmission lines 0618-03 Mile Point (MP) 0-3.52, 0618-05 MP 0-1.41, 0618-10 MP 0-1.47, and District Regulation Route (DREG) 4093 MP 0-1.75.

This submittal will not increase any current rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, or conflict with any rate schedule or rule.

Protests

This is an information-only advice letter submittal. Pursuant to General Order 96-B Section 6.2, PG&E is not seeking relief through this advice letter and is not subject to protest.

Effective Date

Pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B, this advice letter is submitted with an information-only designation (Tier 1). PG&E requests that this advice submittal become effective upon date of submittal, which is December 15, 2025.

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. 24-09-012. 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
CPUC Communications

Attachment:

Attachment A - Downrate Project Pipelines 0618-03 Mile Point (MP) 0-3.52, 0618-05 MP 0-1.41, 0618-10 MP 0-1.47, and District Regulation Route (DREG) 4093 MP 0-1.75.

cc: Service List R.24-09-012
Jean Spencer, Energy Division

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 U39 G)

Utility type:
☐ ELC ☑ GAS ☐ WATER
☐ PLC ☐ HEAT

Contact Person: Kimberly Loo
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E-mail Disposition Notice to: Kimberly.Loo@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) #: 5153-G

Tier Designation: Information-Only

Subject of AL: Notification of Planned Deration/Downrate of Gas Transmission Pipelines 0618-03 Mile Point (MP) 0-3.52, 0618-05 MP 0-1.41, 0618-10 MP 0-1.47, and District Regulation Route 4093 MP 0-1.75

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.23-12-003

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: 12/15/25

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:

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 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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Title: Director, Regulatory Relations
Utility/Entity Name: Pacific Gas and Electric Company

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Clear Form

Attachment A – Downrate Project Pipelines 0618-03 Mile Point (MP) 0-3.52, 0618-05 MP 0-1.41, 0618-10 MP 0-1.47, and District Regulation Route (DREG) 4093 MP 0-1.75.

A. Information on transmission pipelines demonstrating that they are no longer needed at total nominal capacity

This is a bundled project to downrate and reclassify several transmission pipelines. The project will downrate the following Distribution Feeder Mains (DFMs): 0618-03 MP 0-3.52, 0618-05 MP 0-1.41, 0618-10 MP 0-1.47, and District Regulation Route (DREG) 4093 MP 0-1.75. The pipelines are radial transmission lines serving multiple distribution regulator stations in Citrus Heights, Antelope, and Sacramento communities. These routes will be downrated from the current Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure (MAOP) of 500 psig to a new MAOP of 281 psig, which will provide adequate capacity to meet system demands.

B. Demonstrate that new distribution pipeline is needed to serve customers

PG&E's hydraulic analysis indicates that the downrated DFMs are necessary to continue providing reliable gas service to the existing customers, as they are the sole feed to more than 55,000 customers in Sacramento and the surrounding area.

C. Summary of anticipated costs and forecasted schedule

The estimated cost for PG&E's downrate project is approximately $5.5M ($5.0M capital and $0.5M expense). PG&E will be implementing a temporary construction measure in 2025 to reduce pressure and reclassify the pipelines by December 22, 2025. A permanent construction solution for the downrate project will be implemented in 2026. PG&E anticipates work on the permanent construction solution will commence in the February to April 2026 timeframe.

The downrate projects include:

- S-1472: Installation of Temporary Regulation Equipment (2025)
- S-1408: Rebuild of Antelope Meter Station, Installation of Permanent Regulation Equipment (2026)
- Distribution station retrofits (2026)

The downrate will avoid the following planned work:
30-year Net Present Value Cost and Work Avoided (Capital): -$1.1M

- 1 pipe replacement

30-year Net Present Value Cost and Work Avoided (Expense): -$17.3M

- 2 recurring strength tests
- 1 recurring Non-Traditional In-Line Inspection

Transmission pipeline downrates enable PG&E to spend on risk reduction more efficiently by reallocating avoided costs to mitigate risk elsewhere on the gas system. They also provide qualitative greenhouse gas emissions benefits by reducing the magnitude and likelihood of pipeline leaks due to the reduced operating pressure.

Avoided work and respective avoided costs are typically identified upstream of detailed design and estimating and are therefore reported based on high-level assumptions. Because of identified pipeline integrity threats, the work avoided would likely be required if the downrate project was not implemented. While integrity threats can change as PG&E integrates new data and learnings, for these cost avoidance calculations PG&E assumes that existing threat mitigations would recur on a (seven) 7-year reassessment cycle. Cost estimates are based on program unit costs and subject matter expert input.

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
BART

Ava Community Energy

BART
Buchalter
Barkovich & Yap, Inc.
Biering & Brown LLP
Braun Blaising Smith Wynne, P.C.

California Community Choice Association
California Cotton Ginners & Growers Association
California Energy Commission
California Hub for Energy Efficiency
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

Clean Power Research
Coast Economic Consulting
Commercial Energy
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Crown Road Energy, LLC

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Dept of General Services
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