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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Revision of Rule No. 18 – Notices**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for approval by the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revisions to its Rule No. 18, Notices, as shown on Attachment B.

**Purpose**

This filing simply revises language in Rule No. 18, Notices, to bring SoCalGas' Rule No. 18 into better conformance with San Diego Gas & Electric Company's (SDG&E) gas Rule No. 8, Notices. SDG&E is concurrently filing an advice letter to revise its Rule No. 8. This filing responds to the Commission's expressed desire for statewide consistency in utility tariffs to the extent possible. These revisions promote tariff simplicity, respond to customer needs, and provide ease in administering the tariff.

**Background**

During a recent review of SoCalGas' Rule 18 and SDG&E's gas Rule 8, SoCalGas found that while the majority of the terms and conditions were very similar in intent and wording, relatively minor changes in wording could make these Rules of both utilities nearly identical for gas operations without any change in practices.

Minor text changes are proposed in this filing and lettered headings have been added to the paragraphs.

This filing will not result in an increase or decrease in any rate or charge, conflict with any rate schedules or any other rules, or cause the withdrawal of service.

**Protest**

Anyone may protest this Advice Letter to the Commission. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based, including such items as financial and service impact, and should be submitted expeditiously. The protest must be made in writing and received within 20 days of the date of this Advice Letter. There is no restriction on who may file a protest. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

Energy Division - IMC Branch  
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505 Van Ness Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Copies of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of both Jerry Royer ([jjr@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:jjr@cpuc.ca.gov)) and Honesto Gatchalian ([jnj@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:jnj@cpuc.ca.gov)) of the Energy Division. A copy of the protest shall also be sent via both e-mail and facsimile to the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission.

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**Effective Date**

SoCalGas respectfully requests that this filing become effective October 23, 2004, which is not less than forty (40) days regular statutory notice. No resolution is needed to approve this filing.

**Notice**

In accordance with Section III.G of General Order No. 96-A, a copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to the parties listed on Attachment A.

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ATTACHMENT B  
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Rule No. 18  
NOTICES

Sheet 1

A. Notices to Customers

Any notice the Utility provides to a customer pursuant to its effective tariffs shall be

- (1) given in writing, either mailed, as defined in Rule No. 1, Definitions, to the customer's mailing address as specified in the customer's application for service, or in the customer's contract in case such customer has a contract for gas service, or at such address as may be subsequently given in writing by the customer to the Utility at its local district office, except that in emergencies the Utility may provide oral notices, or
- (2) delivered electronically to and/or received by the customer or customer's designee via electronic data interchange, e-mail, or other electronic means; provided, however, that discontinuance-of-service notices shall not be provided by electronic delivery, and should continue to be governed solely by Rule No. 9, Discontinuance of Service.

B. Notices from Customers

Any notice from a customer to the Utility under any of the Utility's effective tariffs may be provided to the Utility by the customer in person, or by an authorized agent at the Utility's local office, or in writing, properly enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to the Utility's local district office, postage prepaid, and deposited for delivery by the United States Postal Service.

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