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February 21, 2008

Advice Letter 3820

Mr. Sid Newsom Regulatory Tariff Administration Southern California Gas Company – GT14D6 555 West Fifth Street Los Angeles, CA 90013-4957

Subject: Daily Balancing Standby Rates for January 16-22, 2008

Dear Mr. Newsom:

Advice Letter 3820 is effective January 23, 2008.

Sincerely,

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January 23, 2008

<u>Advice No. 3820</u> (U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Daily Balancing Standby Rates for January 16-22, 2008

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for filing revisions to its tariff schedules, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown on Attachment B.

Purpose

This routine filing updates the Daily Balancing Standby Rates for the period of January 16, 2008, through January 22, 2008, in Schedule No. G-IMB, Transportation Imbalance Service, as authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission's (Commission) approval of SoCalGas' Advice Nos. 2651, 2651-A, and 2651-B on December 26, 1997, which were filed in compliance with Decision (D.) 97-11-070, dated November 19, 1997, which modified Capacity Brokering D.90-09-089 by adopting modifications to SoCalGas' balancing rules.

Background

As authorized in Schedule No. G-IMB, customers will be subject to balancing rules during the winter operating period. From November through March, customers will be required to deliver (using a combination of flowing supply and firm storage withdrawal) at least 50% of burn over a five-day period. As the Utility's total inventory in storage declines to the peak day minimum + 20 Bcf, customers will be required to deliver (using a combination of flowing supply and firm storage withdrawal) at least 70% of burn daily. As the Utility's total inventory in storage declines to the peak day minimum + 5 Bcf, customers will be required to deliver (using a combination of flowing supply and firm storage declines to the peak day minimum + 5 Bcf, customers will be required to deliver (using a combination of flowing supply and firm storage withdrawal) at least 90% of burn daily. Volumes not in compliance with the minimum delivery requirements will be purchased at the daily balancing standby rates described below. Imbalance trading and as-available withdrawal may not be used to offset the minimum delivery requirements. A complete description of the winter minimum delivery requirements is specified in Rule No. 30, Transportation of Customer-Owned Gas.

The Daily Balancing Standby Rates are calculated as follows:

- During November through March, customers are required to deliver (flowing supply and firm storage withdrawal) at a minimum of 50% of burn during a five-day period. Volumes not in compliance with the 50% five-day minimum delivery requirement are purchased at the daily balancing standby rate. The daily balancing standby rate is calculated as 150% of the highest Southern California Border price during the fiveday period as published in "NGI's *Daily* Gas Price Index" including authorized franchise fees and, for retail customers, uncollectible expenses (F&U), and an authorized brokerage fee.
- 2. When the Utility's total inventory in storage declines to the "peak day minimum + 20 Bcf trigger", the minimum daily delivery requirement increases to 70%. The five-day period no longer applies. The daily balancing standby rate is 150% of the highest Southern California Border price per NGI's *Daily* Gas Price Index for the day (including F&U and brokerage fee) and is applied to each day's deliveries which are less than the 70% delivery requirement.
- 3. When the Utility's total inventory in storage declines to the "peak day minimum + 5 Bcf trigger", the minimum delivery requirement increases to 90% daily. Similar to the 70% regime, the five-day period no longer applies. The daily balancing standby rate is 150% of the highest Southern California Border price per NGI's *Daily* Gas Price Index for the day (including F&U and brokerage fee) and is applied to each day's deliveries which are less than the 90% delivery requirement.

As further authorized in Schedule No. G-IMB by the Commission's approval of SoCalGas' Advice No. 3018 on June 6, 2001, the Daily Balancing Standby Rates may be filed weekly to become effective immediately. In any event, the Daily Balancing Standby Rates shall be filed on or before the fifth business day of each month.

Requested Tariff Revisions

The new rates are reflected in the attached Schedule No. G-IMB tariff sheets. The note at the end of the Daily Balancing Standby Rates section is revised to state that for the days of January 1-22, 2008, the Utility's total inventory in storage was above the "peak day minimum + 20 Bcf trigger" and therefore the five-day period applies. The workpaper showing the calculation of these rates is incorporated herein as Attachment C.

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 must be received within 20 days of the date 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:

CPUC Energy Division Attn: Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102 Copies of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of both Maria Salinas (<u>mas@cpuc.ca.gov</u>) and to Honesto Gatchalian (<u>inj@cpuc.ca.gov</u>) of the Energy Division. A copy of the protest should also be sent via both e-mail <u>and</u> facsimile to the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission.

> Attn: Sid Newsom Tariff Manager - GT14D6 555 West Fifth Street Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011 Facsimile No. (213) 244-4957 E-mail: <u>snewsom@SempraUtilities.com</u>

Effective Date

SoCalGas believes this Advice Letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 1 (effective pending disposition) pursuant to GO 96-B. As authorized in Schedule No. G-IMB, the tariff sheets filed herein are to be effective for service on and after January 23, 2008, which is the date filed, and are to be applicable to the period of January 16, 2008, through January 22, 2008.

<u>Notice</u>

A copy of this advice letter is being sent to the parties listed on Attachment A.

KEN DEREMER Director Tariffs and Regulatory Accounts

Attachments

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY

MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)			
Company name/CPUC Utility No. SO	UTHERN CALIFO	RNIA GAS COMPANY (U 904-G)	
Utility type:	Contact Person: <u>Sid Newsom</u>		
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DPLC HEAT WATER	E-mail: snewsor	n@semprautilities.com	
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TY	PE	(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)	
ELC = Electric GAS = Gas			
PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat V	VALER = Water		
Advice Letter (AL) #: <u>3820</u>			
Subject of AL: <u>Daily Balancing Stan</u>	dby Rates for Janu	uary 16-22, 2008	
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing)			
AL filing type: Monthly Quarter	-	-	
If AL filed in compliance with a Comr	nission order, indi	cate relevant Decision/Resolution #:	
<u>D97-11-070</u>			
		ntify the prior AL <u>No</u>	
Summarize differences between the A	AL and the prior w	ithdrawn or rejected AL ¹ : <u>N/A</u>	
Does AL request confidential treatme	ent? If so, provide e	explanation: <u>No</u>	
Resolution Required? 🗌 Yes 🖂 No		Tier Designation: 🛛 1 🗌 2 🔲 3	
Requested effective date: $1/23/08$ No. of tariff sheets: 4			
Estimated system annual revenue eff	 fect: (%):		
Estimated system average rate effect			
		L showing average rate effects on customer	
classes (residential, small commercia			
Tariff schedules affected: G-IM	B and TOCs		
Service affected and changes proposed ¹ : <u>N/A</u>			
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: <u>3801, 3806, and 3813</u>			
Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this filing, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:			
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ATTACHMENT A

Advice No. 3820

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ATTACHMENT B Advice No. 3820

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<u>RATES</u> (Continued)

Daily Balancing Standby Rates (Continued)

Daily Balancing Standby Rate, per therm

January 2008 <u>Day</u>	Core Retail <u>DB-CR</u>	Noncore Retail <u>DB-NR</u>	Wholesale <u>DB-W</u>
1	\$1.06757	\$1.06822	\$1.06466
2	\$1.06757	\$1.06822	\$1.06466
3	\$1.16083	\$1.16148	\$1.15760
4	\$1.15624	\$1.15689	\$1.15303
5	\$1.11190	\$1.11255	\$1.10884
Period 1 High	\$1.16083	\$1.16148	\$1.15760
6	\$1.11190	\$1.11255	\$1.10884
7	\$1.11190	\$1.11255	\$1.10884
8	\$1.13331	\$1.13396	\$1.13017
9	\$1.13942	\$1.14007	\$1.13627
10	\$1.17153	\$1.17218	\$1.16827
Period 2 High	\$1.17153	\$1.17218	\$1.16827
11	\$1.16388	\$1.16453	\$1.16065
12	\$1.17917	\$1.17982	\$1.17588
13	\$1.17917	\$1.17982	\$1.17588
14	\$1.17917	\$1.17982	\$1.17588
15	\$1.20975	\$1.21040	\$1.20636
Period 3 High	\$1.20975	\$1.21040	\$1.20636
16	\$1.22503	\$1.22568	\$1.22159
17	\$1.21280	\$1.21345	\$1.20941
18	\$1.21280	\$1.21345	\$1.20941
19	\$1.24185	\$1.24250	\$1.23836
20	\$1.24185	\$1.24250	\$1.23836
Period 4 High	\$1.24185	\$1.24250	\$1.23836

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<u>RATES</u> (Continued)

Daily Balancing Standby Rates (Continued)

Daily Balancing Standby Rate, per therm (Continued)

January 2008 <u>Day</u>	Core Retail <u>DB-CR</u>	Noncore Retail <u>DB-NR</u>	Wholesale <u>DB-W</u>
21 22	\$1.24185 \$1.24185	\$1.24250 \$1.24250	\$1.23836 \$1.23836
23	N/A	N/A	N/A
24	N/A	N/A	N/A
25	N/A	N/A	N/A
Period 5 High	N/A	N/A	N/A
26	N/A	N/A	N/A
27	N/A	N/A	N/A
28	N/A	N/A	N/A
29	N/A	N/A	N/A
30	N/A	N/A	N/A
31	N/A	N/A	N/A
Period 6 High	N/A	N/A	N/A

Note: For the days of January 1-22, 2008 the Utility's total inventory in storage was above the "peak day minimum + 20 Bcf trigger" and therefore the five-day period applies.

Revision of Rates

The Standby Procurement Charge and the Buy-Back Rate shall be established effective the last day of each month. The Daily Balancing Standby Rate shall be established on NGI's *Daily* Gas Price Index. Utility may file the Daily Balancing Standby Rate weekly to become effective immediately. In any event, the Daily Balancing Standby Rate shall be filed on or before the fifth business day of each month.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. Definitions of the principal terms used in this rate schedule are contained in Rule No. 1.

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ATTACHMENT C ADVICE NO. 3820 RATE CALCULATION WORKPAPER DAILY BALANCING STANDBY RATE FILING EFFECTIVE JANUARY 16-22, 2008

Daily Balancing Standby Rate = 150% x (NGI's Price Index + F&U Charge) + Brokerage Fee F&U Charge is 1.9187% of NGI's Price Index for Retail and 1.5779% for Wholesale Brokerage Fee is 0.201 cents for Core Retail; 0.266 cents for Noncore Retail/Wholesale

January	NGI's	Daily Balancing Standby Rates			
Day	Price Index	Core Retail	Noncore Retail	<u>Wholesale</u>	
	• • • • • • •	• · · ·	• • • • • • • •	• · · · · · · ·	
1	\$0.69700	\$1.06757	\$1.06822	\$1.06466	
2	\$0.69700	\$1.06757	\$1.06822	\$1.06466	
3	\$0.75800	\$1.16083	\$1.16148	\$1.15760	
4	\$0.75500	\$1.15624	\$1.15689	\$1.15303	
5	\$0.72600	\$1.11190	\$1.11255	\$1.10884	
6	\$0.72600	\$1.11190	\$1.11255	\$1.10884	
7	\$0.72600	\$1.11190	\$1.11255	\$1.10884	
8	\$0.74000	\$1.13331	\$1.13396	\$1.13017	
9	\$0.74400	\$1.13942	\$1.14007	\$1.13627	
10	\$0.76500	\$1.17153	\$1.17218	\$1.16827	
11	\$0.76000	\$1.16388	\$1.16453	\$1.16065	
12	\$0.77000	\$1.17917	\$1.17982	\$1.17588	
13	\$0.77000	\$1.17917	\$1.17982	\$1.17588	
14	\$0.77000	\$1.17917	\$1.17982	\$1.17588	
15	\$0.79000	\$1.20975	\$1.21040	\$1.20636	
16	\$0.80000	\$1.22503	\$1.22568	\$1.22159	
17	\$0.79200	\$1.21280	\$1.21345	\$1.20941	
18	\$0.79200	\$1.21280	\$1.21345	\$1.20941	
19	\$0.81100	\$1.24185	\$1.24250	\$1.23836	
20	\$0.81100	\$1.24185	\$1.24250	\$1.23836	
21	\$0.81100	\$1.24185	\$1.24250	\$1.23836	
22	\$0.81100	\$1.24185	\$1.24250	\$1.23836	

(All rates are per therm)