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December 16, 2008

Advice Letter 3925

Ken Deremer Director Tariffs & Regulatory Accounts 8330 Century Park Court CP32C San Diego, CA 92123-1548

Subject: October 2008 Standby Procurement Charges

Dear Mr. Deremer:

Advice Letter 3925 is effective November 21, 2008.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Lewis, Acting Director

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November 21, 2008

Advice No. 3925 (U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: October 2008 Standby Procurement Charges

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 monthly filing updates the Standby Procurement Charges in Schedule No. G-IMB for October 2008.

Background

Resolution G-3316, dated May 24, 2001, revised the Schedule No. G-IMB Standby Procurement Charge for negative monthly transportation imbalances that exceed the 10% tolerance band. The Standby Procurement Charges are:

- 1. Calculated at 150% of the highest daily border price index at the Southern California border for the period plus a Brokerage Fee of 0.266¢ per therm for noncore retail service and all wholesale service, and 0.188¢ per therm for core retail service. The highest daily border price index is an average of the highest prices from "NGI's Daily Gas Price Index Southern California Border Average" and "Gas Daily's Daily Price Survey SoCal Gas Midpoint."
- 2. Calculated for a period that begins from the first day of the "flow month" (the month that the imbalance is incurred) and ends five days prior to the start of the imbalance trading period.
- 3. Posted at least one day in advance of the imbalance trading period.

<u>Information</u>

For the "flow month" of October 2008 (covering the period October 1, 2008, to November 20, 2008), the highest daily border price index at the Southern California border is \$0.62200 per therm. The resultant Standby Procurement Charges, calculated in the manner set forth above, are \$0.93566 per therm for noncore retail service and all wholesale service, and \$0.93488 per therm for core retail service. The workpaper showing details of the calculation of these rates is incorporated herein as Attachment C.

Protest

Anyone may protest this Advice Letter to the California Public Utilities 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:

CPUC Energy Division Attention: 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 (mas@cpuc.ca.gov) and Honesto Gatchalian (ini@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.

Attn: Sid Newsom Tariff Manager - GT14D6 555 West Fifth Street Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011 Facsimile No. (213) 244-4957

E-Mail: snewsom@semprautilities.com

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. SoCalGas respectfully requests that the tariff sheets filed herein be made effective November 21, 2008, the date filed, in order to comply with the Resolution G-3316 requirement that the rates be posted at least one day in advance of the start of the imbalance trading period, which is November 25, 2008.

Notice

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 ENERGY UTILITY

MUST BE COMPLET	TED BY UTILITY (Att	tach additional pages as needed)
Company name/CPUC Utility No. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY (U 904G)		
Utility type:	Contact Person: Sid Newsom	
☐ ELC ☐ GAS	Phone #: (213) <u>244-2846</u>	
☐ PLC ☐ HEAT ☐ WATER		
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE	EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE (Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)	
ELC = Electric GAS = Gas PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat W	WATER = Water	
Advice Letter (AL) #: 3925		
Subject of AL: October 2008 Standb	y Procurement Ch	arges
· ·	·	tement; Standby Service; Procurement
AL filing type: \square Monthly \square Quarter	ly 🗌 Annual 🗌 O	ne-Time Other
If AL filed in compliance with a Comp G-3316	nission order, indi	cate relevant Decision/Resolution #:
Does AL replace a withdrawn or reject	ted AL? If so, ider	ntify the prior AL <u>No</u>
Summarize differences between the A	L and the prior wi	thdrawn or rejected AL¹: <u>N/A</u>
Does AL request confidential treatment	nt? If so, provide e	explanation: No
Resolution Required? \square Yes \boxtimes No Tier Designation: \boxtimes 1 \square 2 \square 3		
Requested effective date: November 21, 2008 No. of tariff sheets: 4		
Estimated system annual revenue effort	ect: (%): <u>N/A</u>	
Estimated system average rate effect	(%): <u>N/A</u>	
When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer		
classes (residential, small commercial	l, large C/I, agricu	ıltural, lighting).
Tariff schedules affected: <u>Preliminary</u>	Statement, Part 1	II: Schedule G-IMB: and TOCs
Service affected and changes proposed ¹ : N/A		
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: 3911		
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:		
CPUC, Energy Division		Southern California Gas Company
Attention: Tariff Unit		Attention: Sid Newsom
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 $^{^{\}mbox{\tiny 1}}$ Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

ATTACHMENT A

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Sheet 7

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT PART II **SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES**

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Schedule GW-VRN (City of Vernon, GT-F10 & GT-I10)	
Transmission Charge	2.276¢
ITCS-VRN	(0.005¢)

PROCUREMENT CHARGE

Schedule G-CP	
Non-Residential Core Procurement Charge, per therm	45.595¢
Non-Residential Cross-Over Rate, per therm	45.595¢
Residential Core Procurement Charge, per therm	45.595¢
Residential Cross-Over Rate, per therm	45.595¢
Adjusted Core Procurement Charge, per therm	41.321¢

IMBALANCE SERVICE

Standby Procurement Charge	
Core Retail Standby (SP-CR)	
August 2008	126.938¢
September 2008	104.551¢
October 2008	93.488¢
Noncore Retail Standby (SP-NR)	
August 2008	127.016¢
September 2008	104.629¢
October 2008	93.566¢
Wholesale Standby (SP-W)	
August 2008	127.016¢
September 2008	104.629¢
October 2008	93 566¢

Buy-Back Rate

Core and Noncore Retail (BR-R)	
August 2008	
September 2008	9.898¢
October 2008	
Wholesale (BR-W)	

August 2008	43.636¢
September 2008	
October 2008	

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Schedule No. G-IMB TRANSPORTATION IMBALANCE SERVICE

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RATES (Continued)

Standby Procurement Charge

This charge is applied to customer's cumulative negative transportation imbalance (confirmed transportation deliveries less actual usage) exceeding the 10 percent tolerance band. The Standby Procurement Charge is posted at least one day in advance of each corresponding imbalance trading period for noncore/wholesale and core transport agents (CTAs). It is calculated at 150% of the highest daily border price index at the Southern California border beginning on the first day of the month that the imbalance is created to five days prior to the start of each corresponding imbalance trading period plus a Brokerage Fee of 0.266¢ per therm for noncore retail service and all wholesale service, and <u>0.188¢</u> per therm for core retail service. The highest daily border price index is an average of the highest prices from "NGI's Daily Gas Price Index – Southern California Border Average" and "Gas Daily's Daily Price Survey – SoCal gas, Midpoint."

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SP-CR Standby Rate, per therm	
August 2008	126.938¢
September 2008	104.551¢
October 2008	93.488¢
Noncore Retail Service:	
SP-NR Standby Rate, per therm	
August 2008	
September 2008	104.629¢
October 2008	93.566¢
Wholesale Service:	
SP-W Standby Rate per therm	
August 2008	127.016¢
September 2008	104.629¢
October 2008	93.566¢

Buy-Back Rate

This rate is applied to customer's cumulative positive transportation imbalance (confirmed transportation deliveries less actual usage) exceeding the 10 percent tolerance band. The Buy-Back Rate is established effective the last day of each month and will be the lower of 1) the lowest incremental cost of gas purchased by Utility during the month the excess imbalance was incurred; or 2) 50% of the applicable Adjusted Core Procurement Charge, G-CPA, set forth in Schedule No. G-CP, during the month such excess imbalance was incurred.

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	Utilities Reimbursement Account
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RATE CALCULATION WORKPAPER SCHEDULE NO. G-IMB STANDBY PROCUREMENT CHARGE FILING EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2008

G-IMB Standby Procurement Charge Calculation

The highest daily border price index is an average of the highest prices from "NGI's Daily Gas Price Index - Southern California Border Average" and "Gas Daily's Daily Price Survey - SoCal Gas Midpoint."

The highest daily border price index for the period was on October 3, 2008

10/03/08 NGI's Daily Gas Price Index (NDGPI) = \$0.6220 per therm

10/03/08 Gas Daily's Daily Price Survey (GDDPS) = \$0.6220 per therm

Highest Daily Border Price Index (HDBPI) = (NDGPI + GDDPS) / 2

HDBPI = \$0.62200 per therm

SP-CR (Core Retail) = 150% x HDBPI + Core Brokerage Fee

SP-CR = 150% x \$0.62200 + \$0.00188 = **\$0.93488**

SP-NR (Noncore Retail) = 150% x HDBPI + Noncore Brokerage Fee

SP-NR = 150% x \$0.62200 + \$0.00266 = **\$0.93566**

SP-W (Wholesale) = 150% x HDBPI + Noncore Brokerage Fee

SP-W = 150% x \$0.62200 + \$0.00266 = **\$0.93566**