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April 23, 2010

Advice No. 4104 (U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Request to Revise the Effective Date of Approved Advice No. 3995-A, Revision of Rule No. 10 - Service Charges in Compliance with Resolution G-3438

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for filing with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revision to its Rules, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown on Attachment B.

#### **Purpose**

This filing requests Commission approval to change the effective date of SoCalGas' Advice No. (AL) 3995-A for the reason explained below.

#### **Background**

Supplemental AL 3995-A was filed on February 1, 2010 to comply with Commission Resolution G-3438 dated January 21, 2010. Resolution G-3438 approved SoCalGas' requests to: (1) increase its charges for appliance connections, which are billed directly to the customers who request such services; (2) expand the list of charges for certain pieces of equipment needed for these services and to charge for gas log installation; (3) eliminate the payment option for appliance connection services and seismic valve services at the time that service is completed; and (4) add the customer option to be billed for appliance connection services on the bill for gas service. However, it denied SoCalGas' requests to: (5) have payment due dates under the gas service bill payment option be in conformance with Rule No. 9.C.1; (6) increase its fees for seismic valve services; (7) reduce the due date for the separate billing option from 30 days to 20 days; and (8) revise existing tariff language to enable it to terminate service for failure to timely pay for the seismic valve service and other appliance connection charges.

Although Resolution G-3438 became effective on January 21, 2010, SoCalGas requested an effective date for the tariffs filed in AL 3995-A to become effective on April 25, 2010 in order to allow time for its Information Technology (IT) group to make the necessary system changes for these new rates and offerings. IT is unable to meet the above effective date due to unforeseen circumstances and other constraints; but provides assurance that the system changes will be completed, and SoCalGas will be ready to make the tariffs effective on May 23, 2010.

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#### **Tariff Revision**

The tariffs in Attachment B are identical to the tariffs filed in AL 3995-A, except that the new effective date of May 23, 2010 is shown.

#### **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 which is May 13, 2010. 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 (<a href="mailto:mas@cpuc.ca.gov">mas@cpuc.ca.gov</a>) and Honesto Gatchalian (<a href="mailto:jnj@cpuc.ca.gov">jnj@cpuc.ca.gov</a>) of the Energy Division. A copy of the protest should also be sent via both e-mail <a href="mailto:and">and</a> 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 2 (effective after staff approval) pursuant to GO 96-B. SoCalGas respectfully requests the tariff sheets filed herein be effective on May 23, 2010, which is 30 days after the date filed.

#### <u>Notice</u>

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

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Attachments

# CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

## ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY ENERGY UTILITY

MUST BE COMPLE	TED BY UTILITY (At	tach additional pages as needed)		
Company name/CPUC Utility No. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY (U 904G)				
Utility type:	Contact Person: <u>Sid Newsom</u>			
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☐ PLC ☐ HEAT ☐ WATER	E-mail: SNewsom@semprautilities.com			
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TY	PE (Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)			
ELC = Electric GAS = Gas PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat V	ATER = Water			
Advice Letter (AL) #: 4104				
Subject of AL: Request to Revise th	e Effective Date of	Approved AL 3995-A, Revision of		
No. 10 - Service Charges in Compliar	nce With Resolution	n G-3438		
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing)	: _ Rules			
AL filing type:   Monthly  Quarter	rly 🗌 Annual 🛛 C	One-Time Other		
If AL filed in compliance with a Comr	nission order, indi	cate relevant Decision/Resolution #:		
Does AL replace a withdrawn or reject	cted AL? If so, idea	ntify the prior AL <u>No</u>		
Summarize differences between the A	AL and the prior wi	ithdrawn or rejected AL¹: <u>N/A</u>		
Does AL request confidential treatme	nt? If so, provide e	explanation: <u>No</u>		
Resolution Required? $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No		Tier Designation: $\square$ 1 $\boxtimes$ 2 $\square$ 3		
Requested effective date: <u>5/23/10</u>		No. of tariff sheets:5		
Estimated system annual revenue eff	fect: (%): <u>None</u>			
Estimated system average rate effect	(%): <u>None</u>			
		L showing average rate effects on customer		
classes (residential, small commercia	o o	ıltural, lighting).		
Tariff schedules affected: Rule No. 10, TOCs				
Service affected and changes proposed <sup>1</sup> :N/A				
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: None				
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 505 Van Ness Ave.,		Attention: Sid Newsom 555 West 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, GT14D6		
San Francisco, CA 94102		Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011		
mas@cpuc.ca.gov and jnj@cpuc.ca.gov		SNewsom@semprautilities.com		

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\tiny 1}}$  Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

## **ATTACHMENT A**

## Advice No. 4104

(See Attached Service List)

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## ATTACHMENT B Advice No. 4104

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA CANCELING

#### Rule No. 10 SERVICE CHARGES

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#### E. APPLIANCE CONNECTION CHARGE

1. <u>General</u>. The Utility, for a charge, shall connect and/or install residential gas appliances (such as gas ranges, dryers, barbecues and gas logs) for customers, provided all of the following conditions can be met:

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- a. Service can be performed safely and without damaging the customers' facilities.
- b. Service can be performed without loosening fittings in the wall.
- c. The houseline need not be extended more than seventy-two (72) inches or six (6) feet, or installed through walls or cabinets.
- d. The appliance will not present a hazardous or unsatisfactory condition after connection.
- e. Taps (added outlets to existing appliance stubs) are not made from stubs currently supplying gas to other appliances.
- 2. Charges. If the conditions referenced above are met, the charge(s) shall be as follows:

Labor charge for connection of residential gas appliance –				
(such as range, dryer or gas barbeque)				
Labor charge for Installation of a residential gas appliance –				
(such as gas logs)	\$128.00			
Added cost of valve\$16.00*				
Added cost of connector\$19.00*				
Added cost of 3/8" gas barbecue kit - includes connector,				
hose and fittings	\$77.00*			
Added cost of Appliance Regulator\$20.00*				
Added cost of ½" IPT Ball Valve (BBQ)\$14.00*				
Added cost of 3/8" Barbecue Quick Disconnect \$39.00*				
Added cost of ½" Barbecue Quick Disconnect \$71.00*				
Added cost of 3/8" Barbecue Hose\$29.00*				
Added cost of ½" Barbecue Hose\$54.00*				
Added cost Dryer Vent Duct\$15.00*				
Added cost Dryer Vent Clamps\$5.00*				

<sup>\*</sup> The applicable Retail Sales Tax will be applied to all parts costs.

Charges for connection of additional appliances will be limited to parts and materials.

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#### Rule No. 10 **SERVICE CHARGES**

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#### F. PAYMENT FOR SERVICE CHARGES

All charges for the Set-Timed Appointment and Appliance Connection charge(s) will be included in the bill for gas service, whenever possible. The charge(s) will be due and payable consistent with Rule No. 9, C.1. If billed separately, payment is due within 30 days.

The Utility shall advise the customer that appliance connection services are also provided by plumbers and contractors.

#### G. EARTHQUAKE VALVE SERVICE

#### 1. Applicability

The Utility offers a valve removal service if the valve is installed on the Utility's facilities, and a gas restoration service. The Utility will provide this service to customers in all classes, including residential, commercial and industrial customers.

#### 2. Responsibility for Valve after Installation

After installation, the valve is the property of the Utility's customer. The customer can have the valve removed at any time, except where the valve is required by law to be installed. At the time of installation, the Utility may require the customer to agree to transfer the valve to a subsequent purchaser of the premises or to remove the valve before the time of sale (where removal is allowed by law).

#### 3. Charge for Removal of Valves

The Utility offers a valve removal service. The removal service charge for customers is \$83.28 plus materials for the first hour and \$13.87 for every quarter hour thereafter (per person). A trip charge for estimating the cost of removal of EQV is \$34.89. This cost will be applied if the removal is not authorized at the time of the estimate. A trip charge of \$34.89 will be applied to any trip made to the customer's location for any reason due to the customer's and not SoCalGas' circumstances where removal of an EOV on SoCalGas' pipeline is performed.

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#### G. EARTHQUAKE VALVE SERVICE (Continued)

#### 4. Charge for Restoring Gas Service after a Valve Activates

If a valve is activated and shuts off gas service, it is the responsibility of the customer to arrange and pay for restoration of service. The Utility offers to restore service after activation of an earthquake shut-off valve for a charge of \$63.39 for residential and small commercial customers. For larger customers with larger meters, the Utility's charge for restoration of service will be quoted in advance based on an estimate. The Utility has the option to waive charges for restoration of service after a major earthquake.

#### 5. Payment

All charges for services rendered pursuant to this section will be included in the bill for gas service, whenever possible. The charge(s) will be due and payable consistent with Rule No. 9, C.1. If billed separately, payment is due within 30 days. Installment payments may be agreed to by the Utility and customer, if requested. The Utility may bill for services rendered pursuant to this section in its bill for gas service, but will not terminate gas service for failure to pay for any services rendered pursuant to this section.

The Commission will be the arbiter of any disputes over the application or implementation of these criteria.

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