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Advice Letter 4120

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**Subject: Notification of Transfer in Compliance with Resolution G-3338**

Dear Mr. Prince:

Advice Letter 4120 is effective July 3, 2010.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Julie A. Fitch".

Julie A. Fitch, Director  
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June 3, 2010

Advice No. 4120  
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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Notification of Transfer in Compliance With Resolution G-3338**

**Purpose**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits notification that SoCalGas agrees to allow an existing noncore distribution customer to transfer to transmission level service. Pursuant to Ordering Paragraphs (OP) 5 and 6 of Resolution G-3338, SoCalGas shall file an advice letter to notify the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) of such transfers before accommodating such requests and shall also include estimates of any actual resulting stranded costs which will be paid by the customer.

**Background**

Resolution G-3338, adopted on February 27, 2003 in response to SoCalGas Advice No. 3136, directs SoCalGas to file an advice letter notifying the Commission in the event that distribution-level customers are granted transmission-level service. OP 5 states:

“If SoCalGas decides to accommodate additional distribution customers’ requests to take transmission level service when that customer’s volumetric needs can be met by the existing distribution system, SoCalGas shall file an advice letter to notify the Commission before accommodating such requests. This advice letter shall include an estimate of the amount of stranded costs associated with the customers’ requests.”

Pursuant to the Resolution, SoCalGas submitted Advice No. 3256-A May 5, 2003, to add a new special condition to Schedule Nos. GT-I and GT-F, which states:

“When the Utility uses its discretion, as defined in Rule 20 H.4, to accommodate a current commercial and industrial customer’s request to switch from Noncore Distribution Service to Transmission Level Service, the Utility shall file an advice letter to notify the Commission before accommodating such a request. The advice letter filing should include an estimated amount of stranded costs associated with customer’s request.”

**Notice and Estimate of Stranded Costs**

This Advice Letter serves as the required notice. Attachment B, being provided only to the Energy Division, includes confidential account information for the customer transferring to transmission level service and is submitted under the provisions of General Order 66-C and Section 583 of the Public Utilities Code. Regarding estimated stranded costs, such costs are negligible in this case because

this customer's facility has been served by distribution facilities in place for over 60 years, and the distribution capacity will continue to be used to serve other customers in the area. SoCalGas estimates this cost at zero (\$0.00).

While not required for a transfer, SoCalGas notes that this large customer is expecting to increase gas usage in the near future due to process and equipment modifications, and the existing gas service facilities have limited ability to accommodate such expansion. Current load and projected load expansions envisioned by the customer are included in Attachment B.

### **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 of this Advice Letter, which is June 23, 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  
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](mailto:mas@cpuc.ca.gov)) and Honesto Gatchalian ([jnj@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:jnj@cpuc.ca.gov)) of the Energy Division. A copy of the protest should 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](mailto:snewsom@SempraUtilities.com)

### **Effective Date**

SoCalGas believes that this filing is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 2 (effective after staff approval). SoCalGas respectfully requests that this filing be approved on July 3, 2010, which is 30 calendar days from the date filed.

### **Notice**

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

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Rasha Prince  
Director – Regulatory Affairs

# CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

## ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY ENERGY UTILITY

MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)

Company name/CPUC Utility No. **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY (U 904G)**

Utility type:

ELC     GAS  
 PLC     HEAT     WATER

Contact Person: Sid Newsom

Phone #: (213) 244-2846

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### EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

ELC = Electric                      GAS = Gas  
PLC = Pipeline                     HEAT = Heat    WATER = Water

(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 4120

Subject of AL: Notification of Transfer in Compliance with Resolution G-3338

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance

AL filing type:  Monthly  Quarterly  Annual  One-Time  Other

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:

Resolution G-3338

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<sup>1</sup>: N/A

Does AL request confidential treatment? If so, provide explanation: Attachment B contains

Customer-specific information

Resolution Required?  Yes  No

Tier Designation:  1  2  3

Requested effective date: 7/3/10

No. of tariff sheets: None

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated system average rate effect (%): \_\_\_\_\_

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: None

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**

**Attention: Tariff Unit**

**505 Van Ness Ave.,**

**San Francisco, CA 94102**

**mas@cpuc.ca.gov and jnj@cpuc.ca.gov**

**Southern California Gas Company**

**Attention: Sid Newsom**

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<sup>1</sup> Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

**ATTACHMENT A**

**Advice No. 4120**

**(See Attached Service List)**

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**ATTACHMENT B**

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CONFIDENTIAL CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Submitted to Energy Division Only Under the Provisions of General Order 66-C and  
Section 583 of the Public Utilities Code.

Customer Requesting Transfer from Distribution to Transmission Level Service: