

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 VAN NESS AVENUE  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102-3298



August 20, 2010

**Advice Letter 4136**

Rasha Prince, Director  
Regulatory Affairs  
555 W. Fifth Street, GT14D6  
Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011

**Subject: Monthly Minimum Charge for a New Bypass Customer  
Under Schedule No. GT-TLS**

Dear Ms. Prince:

Advice Letter 4136 is effective August 18, 2010.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Julie A. Fitch".

Julie A. Fitch, Director  
Energy Division



**Rasha Prince**  
Director  
Regulatory Affairs

555 W. Fifth Street, GT14D6  
Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011  
Tel: 213.244.5141  
Fax: 213.244.4957  
*RPrince@semprautilities.com*

July 19, 2010

Advice No.4136  
(U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Monthly Minimum Charge for a New Bypass Customer under  
Schedule No. GT-TLS**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits the customer-specific Monthly Minimum Charge, as shown in Attachment B, for approval by the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission).

**Purpose**

In compliance with the requirements for Bypass customers under Schedule No. GT-TLS (GT-TLS), Intrastate Transportation Service for Transmission Level Customers, SoCalGas has computed the Monthly Minimum Charge for a new Bypass customer.

**Background**

On November 20, 2009, the Commission issued Decision (D.) 09-11-006 approving and adopting, with certain modifications, the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement in Phase 2 of the Biennial Cost Allocation Proceeding for SoCalGas (Settlement).<sup>1</sup>

Among other things, the Settlement proposed a new Intrastate Transportation Service for Transmission Level Customers (TLS) which requires the Utility to calculate a Monthly Minimum Charge for each Bypass customer taking service under GT-TLS and to seek approval of these charges by Advice Letter.<sup>2</sup> Bypass customers are customers who take

---

<sup>1</sup> See Application (A.) 08-02-001, which was filed jointly with San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E).

<sup>2</sup> Schedule No. GT-TLS specifies, "The Monthly Minimum Charge shall apply to a Bypass customer only. The Monthly Minimum Charge shall recover the Utility's actual Customer-related service costs. Customer-related service costs shall be limited to actual operations and maintenance costs of the metering equipment and other related facilities at the Customer's meter(s) that are owned and operated by the Utility necessary to deliver gas in accordance with the Utility's rules and procedures, good industry practice, and governmental regulations. The Utility shall determine actual Customer related service costs for each eligible Customer not later than 30 days following a request by the Customer and shall seek CPUC approval of the resulting Monthly Minimum Charge by Advice Letter. The approved Monthly Minimum Charge for each

service from both SoCalGas and an alternate gas transportation service provider, i.e., customers who partially bypass utility service.

On January 20, 2010, SoCalGas filed Advice No. (AL) 4062 requesting approval of the calculated Monthly Minimum Charges for three Bypass customers. AL 4062 was approved and made effective on February 1, 2010.

### **Requested Change**

One of the three Bypass customers for whom SoCalGas established a Monthly Minimum Charge, has been purchased by a new legal entity, who, on June 18, 2010, requested to maintain service from SoCalGas while maintaining its Bypass transportation provider as well. Because SoCalGas evaluated the Monthly Minimum Charge for this customer's facility within the last six months, SoCalGas is not proposing any changes to the charge at this time. SoCalGas proposes to have a new contract signed by the new customer and use the same Monthly Minimum Charge as was approved by the Commission pursuant to AL 4062. SoCalGas requests Commission approval of this charge applicable to the new customer. Attachment B is not available to the public because it contains confidential information specific to this new customer.

According to the Settlement, the purpose of the Monthly Minimum Charge is "to recover customer specific service costs (e.g., metering, regulation, billing, etc.)."<sup>3</sup> These charges are to be based on actual operations and maintenance costs of the metering equipment and other related facilities at each individual customer's meter(s) that are owned and operated by SoCalGas. The charges cover activities that are necessary to deliver gas in accordance with SoCalGas' rules and procedures, good industry practice, and governmental regulations.

The Monthly Minimum Charge for each customer does not include replacement of major components of SoCalGas' measurement and regulation equipment. In the event that such replacement is required in the future in order to continue to provide gas service, SoCalGas shall install the necessary equipment at the customer's expense, or, if requested by the customer, discontinue service.<sup>4</sup>

SoCalGas shall file for approval updates to these Monthly Minimum Charges as necessary to recover actual costs as they may increase from time to time.

### **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

---

Customer shall apply only when the charge exceeds the total reservation and volumetric transportation charges for GT-TLS service and shall be applied in lieu of the total reservation and volumetric transportation charges."

<sup>3</sup> A.08-02-001, Settlement, Attachment 1, TLS Customer Class Rate Design, Section 4.e., p. 3.

<sup>4</sup> A.08-02-001, Settlement, Attachment 2, Uncontested Proposals, Section 33 states, "Adopt SDG&E/SoCalGas' proposal that, to the extent a bypass customer requests a new service line or meter from SDG&E or SoCalGas for standby service, SDG&E or SoCalGas will install the service line or meter at the customer's expense, and the customer will be subject to the previously described 24-month usage evaluation."

should be submitted expeditiously. The protest must be made in writing and received within 20 days of the date of this Advice Letter, which is August 8, 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 ([hnj@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:hnj@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  
Regulatory 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 this Advice Letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 2 (effective after staff approval) pursuant to G.O. 96-B, and therefore respectfully requests that this filing become effective for service on and after August 18, 2010, which is 30 days after the date filed.

### **Notice**

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to the parties shown on Attachment A, which includes the service list for A.08-02-001.

---

Rasha Prince  
Director – Regulatory Affairs

Attachments

# 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

E-mail: SNewsom@semprautilities.com

### EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

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

(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 4136

Subject of AL: Monthly Minimum Charge for a New Bypass Customer under Schedule

No. GT-TLS

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Transportation Rates

AL filing type:  Monthly  Quarterly  Annual  One-Time  Other

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

N/A - But the AL complies with the provision of Schedule GT-TLS.

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: Yes, Attachment B is confidential because it contains customer specific information.

Resolution Required?  Yes  No

Tier Designation:  1  2  3

Requested effective date: 8/18/10

No. of tariff sheets: 0

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): N/A

Estimated system average rate effect (%): N/A

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: N/A

Service affected and changes proposed<sup>1</sup>: \_\_\_\_\_

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**

**555 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street, GT14D6**

**Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011**

**SNewsom@semprautilities.com**

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

**ATTACHMENT A**

**Advice No. 4136**

**(See Attached Service Lists)**

Alcantar & Kahl  
Kari Harteloo  
klc@a-klaw.com

Alcantar & Kahl  
Seema Srinivasan  
sls@a-klaw.com

Alcantar & Kahl LLP  
Annie Stange  
sas@a-klaw.com

Alcantar & Kahl, LLP  
Mike Cade  
wmc@a-klaw.com

Barkovich & Yap  
Catherine E. Yap  
ceyap@earthlink.net

Beta Consulting  
John Burkholder  
burkee@cts.com

CPUC  
Consumer Affairs Branch  
505 Van Ness Ave., #2003  
San Francisco, CA 94102

CPUC  
Energy Rate Design & Econ.  
505 Van Ness Ave., Rm. 4002  
San Francisco, CA 94102

CPUC  
Pearlie Sabino  
pzs@cpuc.ca.gov

CPUC - DRA  
Jacqueline Greig  
jnm@cpuc.ca.gov

CPUC - DRA  
Galen Dunham  
gsd@cpuc.ca.gov

CPUC - DRA  
R. Mark Pocta  
rmp@cpuc.ca.gov

California Energy Commission  
Randy Roesser  
rroesser@energy.state.ca.us

California Energy Market  
Lulu Weinzimer  
luluw@newsdata.com

Calpine Corp  
Avis Clark  
aclark@calpine.com

City of Azusa  
Light & Power Dept.  
215 E. Foothill Blvd.  
Azusa, CA 91702

City of Banning  
Paul Toor  
P. O. Box 998  
Banning, CA 92220

City of Burbank  
Fred Fletcher/Ronald Davis  
164 West Magnolia Blvd., Box 631  
Burbank, CA 91503-0631

City of Colton  
Thomas K. Clarke  
650 N. La Cadena Drive  
Colton, CA 92324

City of Long Beach, Gas & Oil Dept.  
Chris Garner  
2400 East Spring Street  
Long Beach, CA 90806

City of Los Angeles  
City Attorney  
200 North Main Street, 800  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

City of Pasadena - Water and Power  
Dept.  
G Bawa  
GBawa@cityofpasadena.net

City of Riverside  
Joanne Snowden  
jsnowden@riversideca.gov

City of Vernon  
Dan Bergmann  
dan@igservice.com

Commerce Energy  
Catherine Sullivan  
csullivan@commerceenergy.com

Commerce Energy  
Blake Lazusso  
blasuzzo@commerceenergy.com

County of Los Angeles  
Stephen Crouch  
1100 N. Eastern Ave., Room 300  
Los Angeles, CA 90063

Crossborder Energy  
Tom Beach  
tomb@crossborderenergy.com

Culver City Utilities  
Heustace Lewis  
Heustace.Lewis@culvercity.org

DGS  
Henry Nanjo  
Henry.Nanjo@dgs.ca.gov

Davis Wright Tremaine, LLP  
Edward W. O'Neill  
505 Montgomery Street, Ste 800  
San Francisco, CA 94111

Davis, Wright, Tremaine  
Judy Pau  
judypau@dwt.com

Dept. of General Services  
Celia Torres  
celia.torres@dgs.ca.gov

Douglass & Liddell  
Dan Douglass  
douglass@energyattorney.com

Douglass & Liddell  
Donald C. Liddell  
liddell@energyattorney.com

Downey, Brand, Seymour & Rohwer  
Dan Carroll  
dcarroll@downeybrand.com

Dynegy  
Mark Mickelson  
Mark.Mickelson@dynegy.com

Dynegy - West Generation  
Joseph M. Paul  
Joe.Paul@dynegy.com

Gas Transmission Northwest  
Corporation  
Bevin Hong  
Bevin\_Hong@transcanada.com

General Services Administration  
Facilities Management (9PM-FT)  
450 Golden Gate Ave.  
San Francisco, CA 94102-3611

Goodin, MacBride, Squeri, Ritchie &  
Day, LLP  
J. H. Patrick  
hpatrick@gmssr.com

Goodin, MacBride, Squeri, Ritchie &  
Day, LLP  
James D. Squeri  
jsqueri@gmssr.com

Hanna & Morton  
Norman A. Pedersen, Esq.  
npedersen@hanmor.com

Imperial Irrigation District  
K. S. Noller  
P. O. Box 937  
Imperial, CA 92251

JBS Energy  
Jeff Nahigian  
jeff@jbsenergy.com

Kern River Gas Transmission Company  
Janie Nielsen  
Janie.Nielsen@KernRiverGas.com

LA County Metro  
Julie Close  
closeJ@metro.net

LADWP  
Robert Pettinato  
Robert.Pettinato@ladwp.com

LADWP  
Nevenka Ubavich  
nevenka.ubavich@ladwp.com

Law Offices of William H. Booth  
William Booth  
wbooth@booth-law.com

Megan Lawson  
MEHR@PGE.COM

Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps  
John Leslie  
jleslie@luce.com

MRW & Associates  
Robert Weisenmiller  
mrw@mrwassoc.com

Manatt Phelps Phillips  
Randy Keen  
rkeen@manatt.com

Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP  
David Huard  
dhuard@manatt.com

March Joint Powers Authority  
Lori Stone  
23555 Meyer Drive,  
March Air Reserve Base, CA 92518-  
2038

Julie Morris  
Julie.Morris@PPMEnergy.com

National Utility Service, Inc.  
Jim Boyle  
One Maynard Drive, P. O. Box 712  
Park Ridge, NJ 07656-0712

Navigant Consulting, Inc.  
Ray Welch  
ray.welch@navigantconsulting.com

PG&E Tariffs  
Pacific Gas and Electric  
PGETariffs@pge.com

Praxair Inc  
Rick Noger  
rick\_noger@praxair.com

Regulatory & Cogen Services, Inc.  
Donald W. Schoenbeck  
900 Washington Street, #780  
Vancouver, WA 98660

Safeway, Inc  
Cathy Ikeuchi  
cathy.ikeuchi@safeway.com



Sierra Pacific Company  
Christopher A. Hilien  
chilen@sppc.com

Southern California Edison Co  
Fileroom Supervisor  
2244 Walnut Grove Av, 290, GO1  
Rosemead, CA 91770

Southern California Edison Co  
Karyn Gansecki  
601 Van Ness Ave., #2040  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Southern California Edison Co.  
Kevin Cini  
Kevin.Cini@SCE.com

Southern California Edison Co.  
Colin E. Cushnie  
Colin.Cushnie@SCE.com

Southern California Edison Co.  
John Quinlan  
john.quinlan@sce.com

Southern California Edison Company  
Michael Alexander  
Michael.Alexander@sce.com

Southwest Gas Corp.  
John Hester  
P. O. Box 98510  
Las Vegas, NV 89193-8510

Suburban Water System  
Bob Kelly  
1211 E. Center Court Drive  
Covina, CA 91724

Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan  
Keith McCrea  
kmccrea@sablaw.com

TURN  
Mike Florio  
mflorio@turn.org

TURN  
Marcel Hawiger  
marcel@turn.org

The Mehle Law Firm PLLC  
Colette B. Mehle  
cmehle@mehlelaw.com

Western Manufactured Housing  
Communities Assoc.  
Sheila Day  
sheila@wma.org

**GOODIN MACBRIDE SQUERI DAY & RITCHIE**  
**JEANNE B. ARMSTRONG**  
 jarmstrong@goodinmacbride.com

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
 Joyce Alfton  
 alf@cpuc.ca.gov

**CROSBORDER ENERGY**  
**R. THOMAS BEACH**  
 tomb@crossborderenergy.com

**LAW OFFICES OF WILLIAM H. BOOTH**  
**WILLIAM H. BOOTH**  
 wbooth@booth-law.com

**ELLISON SCHNEIDER & HARRIS, LLP**  
 (1359)  
**ANDREW B. BROWN**  
 abb@eslawfirm.com

**COGENERATION CONTRACT SERVICES**  
**MARSHALL D. CLARK**  
 Marshall.Clark@dgs.ca.gov

**GOODIN, MACBRIDE, SQUERI, DAY & LAMPREY**  
**BRIAN T. CRAGG**  
 bcragg@goodinmacbride.com

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
 Franz Cheng  
 fcc@cpuc.ca.gov

**THE UTILITY REFORM NETWORK**  
**MICHEL PETER FLORIO**  
 mflorio@turn.org

**FEDERAL EXECUTIVE AGENCIES**  
**NORMAN J. FURUTA**  
 norman.furuta@navy.mil

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY**  
**DAVID J. GILMORE**  
 DGilmore@SempraUtilities.com

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
 Jacqueline Greig  
 jnm@cpuc.ca.gov

**THE UTILITY REFORM NETWORK**  
**MARCEL HAWIGER**  
 marcel@turn.org

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY**  
**GLORIA M. ING**  
 Gloria.Ing@sce.com

**ALCANTAR & KAHL, LLP**  
**EVELYN KAHL**  
 ek@a-klaw.com

**UTILITY COST MANAGEMENT LLC**  
**DARA KERKORIAN**  
 dk@utilitycostmanagement.com

**PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY**  
**ANN KIM**  
 ahk4@pge.com

**SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION**  
**KEITH A. LAYTON**  
 keith.layton@swgas.com

**LUCE, FORWARD, HAMILTON & SCRIPPS**  
**JOHN LESLIE**  
 jleslie@luce.com

**JBS ENERGY, INC.**  
**WILLIAM MARCUS**  
 bill@jbsenergy.com

**SUTHERLAND ASBILL & BRENNAN LLP**  
**KEITH R. MCCREA**  
 keith.mccrea@sutherland.com

**EL PASO CORPORATION-WESTERN PIPELINES**  
**MARK A. MINICH**  
 mark.minich@elpaso.com

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
 Harvey Y. Morris  
 hym@cpuc.ca.gov

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
 Scott Mosbaugh  
 rsm@cpuc.ca.gov

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
 Richard A. Myers  
 ram@cpuc.ca.gov

**CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF FOOD PROCESSORS**  
**ROB NEENAN**  
 rob@clfp.com

**DAVIS WRIGHT TREMAINE LLP**  
**EDWARD W. O'NEILL**  
 edwardoneill@dwt.com

**HANNA & MORTON LLP**  
**NORMAN A. PEDERSEN, ESQ.**  
 npedersen@hanmor.com

**SEMPRA ENERGY**  
**CARLOS F. PENA**  
 CFPena@SempraUtilities.com

**ANDERSON, DONOVAN & POOLE**  
**EDWARD G. POOLE**  
 epoole@adplaw.com

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
Marion Peleo  
map@cpuc.ca.gov

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
Paul S. Phillips  
psp@cpuc.ca.gov

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
Robert M. Pocta  
rmp@cpuc.ca.gov

**SEMPRA LNG**  
WILLIAM D. RAPP  
WRapp@SempraUtilities.com

**EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION**  
DOUGLAS W. RASCH  
douglas.w.rasch@exxonmobil.com

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
Ramesh Ramchandani  
rxr@cpuc.ca.gov

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
Rashid A. Rashid  
rhd@cpuc.ca.gov

**UCAN**  
MICHAEL SHAMES  
mshames@ucan.org

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
Pearlie Sabino  
pzs@cpuc.ca.gov

**CALIFORNIA COGENERATION  
COUNCIL**  
BETH VAUGHAN  
beth@beth411.com

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
John S. Wong  
jsw@cpuc.ca.gov

**CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
Marzia Zafar  
zaf@cpuc.ca.gov

**ATTACHMENT B**

**Advice No. 4136**

**MONTHLY MINIMUM CHARGE FOR A NEW BYPASS  
CUSTOMER UNDER SCHEDULE NO. GT-TLS**

**Provided Only to the Commission under the Confidentiality Provisions of  
General Order 66-C and Section 583 of the California Public Utilities  
Code**