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Subject: Establishment of Schedule No. G-TCA, Transportation Charge Adjustment to Exclude Customers Exempt in the Funding of the California Solar Initiative Thermal Program

Dear Ms. Prince:

Advice Letter 4296 is effective January 1, 2012.

Sincerely,

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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Establishment of Schedule No. G-TCA, Transportation Charge Adjustment to Exclude Customers Exempt in the Funding of the California Solar Initiative Thermal Program

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

Purpose

This filing establishes Schedule No. G-TCA, Transportation Charge Adjustment (TCA), which applies to gas sales and transportation services authorized by the Commission where the costs identified herein have been embedded in transportation rates in order to exclude exempt customers in the funding of those costs (e.g., the California Solar Initiative Thermal program).

Background

In Decision (D.) 10-01-022, the Commission established the California Solar Initiative Thermal program (CSI-TP) to promote the installation of solar water heating (SWH) systems in the territories of the four major California utilities.¹ The CSI-TP is effective January 21, 2010, the date of the decision, through December 31, 2017. Exempt from these embedded costs include customers from all customer classes who participate in the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) program and customers who are exempt from taxation under the United States Constitution or California Constitution, as referenced in Section 896 of the Public Utilities (PU) Code.

On October 29, 2010, SoCalGas filed Advice No. (AL) 4156-A, approved November 21, 2010 and effective January 1, 2011, which included an update to the California Solar Initiative Thermal Program Memorandum Account. SoCalGas was unable to implement changes to its billing system by year-end to properly exclude all exempt customers from being charged the CSI-TP's costs in rates effective January 1, 2011.

¹ Four major California utilities are Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and SoCalGas.

On November 12, 2010, SoCalGas filed AL 4167, approved December 16, 2010 and effective November 12, 2010, to clarify customer exemptions in the funding for the CSI-TP. Customers exempt pursuant to PU Code Section 2863(b)(4) were included with customers who participate in the CARE program.

On October 17, 2011, SoCalGas filed AL 4287, with a requested effective date of January 1, 2012, to update SoCalGas' revenue requirement for projected year year-end regulatory account balances as established in Ordering Paragraph 2 D.94-12-052. AL 4287 revised SoCalGas' rates to incorporate the projected 2011 year-end regulatory account balances in transportation rates effective January 1, 2012.

This filing establishes Schedule No. G-TCA to properly exclude all exempt customers from being charged for the CSI-TP's costs in rates, effective January 1, 2012. Appropriate changes have now been made to the billing system to properly exclude exempt customers from being charged these costs.

Tariff Revisions

Schedule No. G-TCA

Where the costs of the funding of programs authorized by the Commission have been embedded in the transportation rates, this new tariff is added to exclude all exempt customers from such costs. Customers exempt from these costs include customers from all customer classes who participate in the CARE program and customers who are exempt from taxation under the United States Constitution or California Constitution, as referenced in Section 896 of the PU Code. Customers who are exempt will have the TCA as a separate line item on their bills. The TCA will be a cumulative total of all of the exempt costs authorized by the Commission. A sample of a SoCalGas customer bill with the TCA as a separate line item is shown in Attachment C.

Currently, the CSI-TP is the only program where the costs of funding the program have been embedded in the transportation rates with customers who are exempt from such costs. Any future programs authorized by the Commission where the costs of funding the program have been embedded in the transportation rates and where the same customers will be exempt from those costs will be included in the TCA. Details of each program that is part of the TCA will be included in Schedule No G-TCA, as shown in Attachment B.

Protests

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 December 5, 2011. 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
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Copies of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of both Maria Salinas (mas@cpuc.ca.gov) and to Honesto Gatchalian (inj@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.

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Effective Date

SoCalGas believes that this filing 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 that this filing be approved on December 15, 2011, which is 30 calendar days from the date filed, with the tariffs becoming effective on January 1, 2012.

Notice

A copy of this advice letter is being sent to all parties listed on Attachment A, which includes the parties on the service list in R.08-03-008.

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:

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 PLC HEAT WATER

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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) #: 4296

Subject of AL: Establishment of Schedule No. G-TCA, Transportation Charge Adjustment to Exclude Customers Exempt in the Funding of the California Solar Initiative Thermal Program

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): CARE, Surcharges, Transportation Rates, Compliance

AL filing type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other _____

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

D.10-01-022

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 AL¹: N/A

Does AL request confidential treatment? If so, provide explanation: No

Resolution Required? Yes No

Tier Designation: 1 2 3

Requested effective date: 1/1/12 [Tariffs] 12/15/11 [AL] No. of tariff sheets: 3

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: Schedule No. G-TCA and TOCs

Service affected and changes proposed¹: 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:

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¹ Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

ATTACHMENT A

Advice No. 4296

(See Attached Service Lists)

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ATTACHMENT B
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Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
Original 47680-G	Schedule No. G-TCA, TRANSPORTATION CHARGE ADJUSTMENT, Sheet 1	
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Schedule No. G-TCA
TRANSPORTATION CHARGE ADJUSTMENT

Sheet 1

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to gas sales and transportation services rendered under tariff rate schedules authorized by the Commission where the costs identified herein have been embedded in the rates.¹

Customers who are exempt from such costs will have a Transportation Charge Adjustment (TCA) as a separate line item on their bills. Customers exempt from these costs include customers from all customer classes who participate in the California Alternate Rates for Energy program and customers who are exempt from taxing under the United States Constitution or California Constitution, as referenced in Section 896 of the Public Utilities Code.

TERRITORY

This schedule is applicable within the entire territory served by Utility.

RATES

Total TCA,² per therm: (0.065¢)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. Adjustments Included in the TCA

- a. California Solar Initiative Thermal Program (CSI-TP) - Decision (D.)10-01-022 established the CSI-TP to promote the installation of Solar Water Heating systems in the territories of Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas). The CSI-TP is effective through December 31, 2017, and SoCalGas will begin recovering the CSI-TP surcharge on January 1, 2012.

CSI-TP Surcharge Credit Adjustment, per therm: (0.065¢)

¹ The Transportation Charge Adjustment is not applicable to Electronic Generation, Enhanced Oil Recovery, and Wholesale or Backbone Transportation service since the costs described herein are not embedded in those rates.

² See Special Condition 1 for a description of each individual adjustment included in the TCA.

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ATTACHMENT C

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**Sample of a SoCalGas Customer Bill with the
Transportation Charge Adjustment as a Separate Line Item**



ACCOUNT NUMBER 123 456 7890 1
 SERVICE FOR
 JOHN Q PUBLIC
 123 ANY STREET
 ANYTOWN CA 91234-5678

DATE MAILED Feb 14, 2012 Page 1 of 2
 24 Hour Service
 1-800-427-2200 English
 1-800-342-4545 Español
 1-800-252-0259 TTY
 www.socalgas.com

CARE You are currently receiving the CARE discount. The discount now appears as a separate credit on your bill.

Account Summary

Amount of Last Bill			\$18.56
Payment Received	01/19/12	THANK YOU	- 18.56
Current Charges			+ 18.84
Total Amount Due			\$18.84

This bill reflects modified gas charges due to a rate change.

Current Charges

Rate: GR - Residential Climate Zone: 1 Baseline Allowance: 13 Therms
 Meter Number: 12345678 (Next scheduled read date T æ 15 201G) Cycle: 12

Billing Period	Days	Current Reading	Previous Reading	= Difference	x Billing Factor	= Total Therms
01/15/12 - 02/12/12	28	3114	3093	21	0.979	21

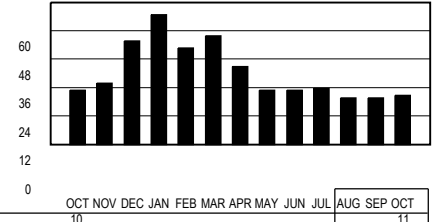
GAS CHARGES		Amount(\$)
Customer Charge	28 Days x \$.16438	4.60
Gas Service (Details below)	21 Therms	
Therms used	Baseline 13 Over Baseline 8	
Rate/Therm	\$.74846	\$.99875
Charge	\$9.73 + \$7.99	= 17.72
Transportation Charge Adj	21 Therms x \$0.00065	= -0.01
CARE Program Discount		-4.46
Total Gas Charges		\$17.85

TAXES & FEES ON GAS CHARGES		Amount(\$)
State Regulatory Fee	21 Therms x \$.00068	.01
CARE Public Purpose Surcharge	21 Therms x \$.04611	.97
Total Taxes and Fees on Gas Charges		\$.98

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DATE DUE	Mar 4, 2012
AMOUNT DUE	\$18.83

Gas Usage History (Total Therms used)



Total Therms used	Oct 10 23	Sep 11 20	Oct 11 21
Daily average Therms	.8	.7	.8
Days in billing cycle	28	29	28

The Gas Company's gas commodity cost per therm for your billing period:
 Feb. \$.42214 Jan. \$.41466

PLEASE KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS. (FAVOR DE GUARDAR ESTA PARTE PARA SUS REGISTROS.)
 PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT. (FAVOR DE DEVOLVER ESTA PARTE CON SU PAGO.)



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 PAY ONLINE
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ACCOUNT NUMBER
 123 456 7890 1

DATE DUE	Mar 4, 2012
AMOUNT DUE	\$18.83

Please enter amount enclosed.
 \$
 Write account number on check and make payable to The Gas Company.

JOHN Q PUBLIC
 123 ANY STREET
 ANYTOWN CA 91234-5678

THE GAS COMPANY
 PO BOX C
 MONTEREY PARK CA 91756-5111

80 123 456 7890 1 00001135 92

123 456 7890 1 0000280090

CY 12 1001 4005 P



ACCOUNT NUMBER 123 456 7890 1

DATE MAILED Feb14, 2011

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DATE DUE AMOUNT DUE

Mar 4, 2012 \$18.83

1-800-427-2200 English

1-800-342-4545 Español

1-800-252-0259 TTY

www.socalgas.com

Total Current Charges \$18.84

appears that the dispute is over matters such as quality of service, level of rates, pending applications for rate increase, etc., which do not relate directly to the question of the accuracy of the bill.

If you do not make such a deposit with the commission within 15 days after The Gas Company notifies you of your right to do so, The Gas Company may discontinue your service for non-payment.

Billing Term Definitions

Baseline Amount of gas billed at the lowest residential rate.

Billing Factor Adjusts for differences in elevation, delivery pressure and the heating content of gas.

Climate Zone Weather zone in which a customer lives. Colder zones receive more baseline allowance.

Customer Charge Charge to recover costs of gas delivery including reading meters, preparing bills, and processing payments.

Gas Commodity Charge Cost of gas purchased by The Gas Company on behalf of its customers.

Payment Due Date Payment due date shown on the front bottom portion of the bill is for current charges only; it does not stop collection activity on an unpaid previous balance.

Public Purpose Surcharge Charge to fund Public Purpose Programs such as California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE), Direct Assistance program (DAP), energy efficiency and research and development. CARE customers are excluded from paying the CARE portion of the surcharge.

Rate Identifies the rate schedule used to calculate your bill. You may review these rate schedules at a local office of The Gas Company or at www.socalgas.com

State Regulatory Fee A fee used to fund the California Public Utilities Commission. Each customer's fee is determined by the number of therms used.

Therms Standard unit of measuring heat energy.

Utility Users Tax Tax charged by some cities and counties based on the amount of the current monthly gas bill. These cities and counties require The Gas Company to collect this Utilities Users Tax for them.

Other Important Phone Numbers

For the following, call Monday - Friday, 8am-5pm:

粵語電話 Cantonese 1-800-427-1420

한국어 전화 Korean 1-800-427-0471

國語電話 Mandarin 1-800-427-1429

NÓI TIẾNG VIỆT Vietnamese 1-800-427-0478

Self Service Options available 24

hours a day, 7 days a week 1-800-772-5050
For information regarding payment arrangements, office locations, account balance, billing recap, duplicate bill and CARE applications for income qualified customers.

To locate underground cables & gas pipes, please call DigAlert, Monday-Friday, 6am-7pm 8-1-1

Payment Options \$

Online: Its fast, easy and free. Just register or sign into My Account at <https://myaccount.socalgas.com>

Home banking: If you pay bills online through your bank, check with them, to see if you can receive your bill online.

Direct Debit: Have your payment automatically deducted from your account. For more information, call 1-800-427-2200 or visit www.socalgas.com

Pay by Phone: Call 1-800-427-2700 to enroll or, if already enrolled, call to authorize a payment from your checking account.

By Mail: Mail your check or money order, along with the payment stub at the bottom of your bill, in the enclosed envelope to The Gas Company, PO Box C, Monterey Park, CA 91756

ATM/Debit/Credit Card or Electronic Check: You can use most major ATM/debit cards, VISA and MasterCard credit cards, or the Electronic Check thru BillMatrix. A convenience fee is charged. Contact BillMatrix at 1-800-232-6629 or visit www.socalgas.com.

In Person: Pay in person at one of our conveniently located payment locations. To find the nearest location and hours of operation, call 1-800-427-2200 or visit www.socalgas.com.

The Gas Company Policies and Notices

Electronic Check Processing When you pay your bill by check, you authorize us to electronically process your payment. If your check is processed electronically, your checking account may be debited on the same day we receive the check. Your check will not be returned by your bank, however, the transaction will appear on your bank statement. *If you do not wish to participate in this program, please have your account number ready and call 1-877-272-3303.*

Closing your Gas Service We require two (2) working days and access to the meter to close your gas service.

Information about Deposits

Amount of Deposit - The amount of deposit required to establish or re-establish service credit is twice the estimated average periodic bill.

Return of Deposit/Interest on Deposit - This deposit, together with any interest due, less the amount of any unpaid bills, will normally be returned either on discontinuance of service or after the deposit has been held for twelve (12) consecutive months, during which time continuous gas service has been received and all bills for such service have been paid in accordance with the rules in effect and filed with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California. No Interest will be paid if the service is temporarily or permanently discontinued for non-payment of bills.

Public Utilities Commission Notice Should you question the amount of this bill, please request an explanation by calling the telephone number at the top of your bill. If you thereafter believe you have been billed incorrectly, the amount of the bill should be deposited with the California Public Utilities Commission, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2003, San Francisco, CA 94102, phone: 800-649-7570, e-mail: consumer-affairs@cpuc.ca.gov, to avoid discontinuance of service. Make remittance payable to the California Public Utilities Commission, and attach the bill and the statement supporting your belief that the bill is not correct. The Commission will review the basis of the billed amount and make disbursement in accordance with its findings. However, the Commission will not accept the deposits when it

The Gas Company Payment Locations

Authorize Payment Agencies - Call the Self Service Options number 1-800-772-5050 for the addresses of payment agencies in your area.

Company Offices

Alhambra, 7 South First St.
Anaheim, 131 W. Center St. Promenade
Banning, 60 E. Ramsey St. #A
Bellflower, 16901 S. Bellflower Blvd.
Commerce, 5708 E. Whittier Blvd.
Compton, 700 N. Long Beach Blvd.
Corona, 341 S. Lincoln Ave. #A
Covina, 932 N. Citrus Ave.
Delano, 1227 Jefferson St.
Dinuba, 239 E. Tulare St.
El Centro, 1111 W. Main St.
El Monte, 11912 Valley Blvd., Suite B
Fontana, 9781 Sierra Ave. #C
Glendale, 919 S. Central Ave. #B
Hanford, 321 N. Dooty St., Suite B
Hemet, 527 N. San Jacinto St.

Hollywood, 1811 N. Hillhurst St.
Huntington Park, 5916 Pacific Blvd.
Indio, 45123 Towne Ave.
Inglewood, 3530 W. Century Blvd. Ste. 102
Lancaster, 2065 W. Avenue K
Lompoc, 128 S. H St.
Los Angeles, 3739 Crenshaw Blvd. #C
Los Angeles, 4619 S. Central Ave.
Los Angeles, 2522 N. Daly St.
Monrovia, 141 S. Myrtle Ave.
Ontario, 962 N. Mountain Ave.
Oxnard, 1640 E. Gonzales Rd.
Palm Springs, 211 N. Sunrise Way
Pasadena, 1214 E. Green St. #102
Pomona, 196 E. 3rd St.
Porterville, 59 W. Thurman Ave.

Riverside, 3460 Orange St.
San Bernardino, 624-F W. 4th St.
San Fernando, 444 S. Brand Blvd. Ste.101
San Luis Obispo, 1314 Broad St.
San Pedro, 605 S. Pacific Ave. #101
Santa Ana, 738 S. Harbor Blvd.
Santa Barbara, 134 E. Victoria St.
Santa Fe Spring, 11516 Telegraph Rd.
Santa Maria, 1954 S. Broadway, Suite J
Santa Monica, 1300 6th St.
South Gate, 3530 Tweedy Blvd.
Van Nuys, 6550 Van Nuys Blvd.
Visalia, 1305 E. Noble Ave.
Watts, 1665 E. 103rd St.
Wilmington, 929 N. Avalon Blvd.

Drop Box Location

Burbank, Public Service Department, 164 W. Magnolia