PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Advice Letter 4379

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

Subject: Expedited Advice Letter for Approval to Amend a Previously Approved Interstate Capacity Contract between SoCalGas Company and Transwestern Pipeline Company

Dear Ms. Prince:

Advice Letter 4379 is effective July 17, 2012.

Sincerely,

Edward Ramloph

Edward F. Randolph, Director Energy Division



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June 26, 2012

Advice No. 4379 (U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

<u>Subject</u>: Expedited Advice Letter for Approval to Amend a Previously Approved Interstate Capacity Contract Between Southern California Gas Company and Transwestern Pipeline Company

Purpose

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) respectfully requests approval of an amended interstate capacity contract with Transwestern Pipeline Company (Transwestern). The California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) previously approved this capacity contract on June 6, 2012.¹ However, as a result of a matching bid submitted during Transwestern's required open season for the capacity, SoCalGas is resubmitting this amended capacity contract for approval.

Background

Under the interstate capacity acquisition procedure approved in Decision 04-09-022, contracts for interstate capacity supported by the Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA) and The Utility Reform Network (TURN) may be submitted for approval to the Commission by an Expedited Advice Letter.

DRA and TURN have authorized SoCalGas to state that they support the amended capacity contract with Transwestern as described below.

Description of Contract

The terms of the contract are confidential and are described in Attachment B submitted under the confidentiality provisions of General Order 66-C and Section 583 of the Public Utilities Code and provided only to the Energy Division, DRA and TURN.

This filing will not create any deviations from SoCalGas' tariffs, cause withdrawal of service from any present customer, or impose any more or less restrictive conditions.

¹ SoCalGas submitted this contract via Advice Letter 4368, and the Commission made its approval effective June 9, 2012.

Protests

Anyone may protest this advice letter to the Commission. The protest must state the ground 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 10 days of the date this expedited advice letter was filed with the Commission, which is July 6, 2012.

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 email to the attention of Franz Cheng (<u>fcc@cpuc.ca.gov</u>) and the Energy Division Tariff Unit (<u>EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov</u>). A copy of the protest shall also be sent via both e-mail and facsimile to the addresses 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 Facsímile No. (213) 244-4957 E-Mail: <u>snewsom@semprautilities.com</u>

Attn: Steve Hruby Regulatory Case Manager – GT14D6 555 West Fifth Street Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011 Facsímile No. (213) 244-4957 E-Mail: <u>shruby@semprautilities.com</u>

Effective Date

SoCalGas believes that this filing is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 2 (effective after staff approval) and respectfully requests that this filing become effective on July 17, 2012, which is 21 calendar days after the date filed.

<u>Notice</u>

A copy of this advice letter is being sent to the parties listed on Attachment A to this advice letter, which includes interested parties in R.04-01-025.

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 904-G)		
Utility type:	Contact Person: <u>Sid Newsom</u>	
\Box ELC \Box GAS	Phone #: (213) <u>244-2846</u>	
PLC HEAT WATER	E-mail: snewsom@semprautilities.com	
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE (Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)		
ELC = Electric GAS = Gas		
PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat WATER = Water		
Advice Letter (AL) #: <u>4379</u>		
Subject of AL: <u>EAL for Approval to Amend a Previously Approved Interstate Capacity Contract</u>		
Between SoCalGas and Transwestern Pipeline Company		
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): <u>Contracts; Capacity</u>		
AL filing type: 🗌 Monthly 🗌 Quarterly 🗌 Annual 🗌 One-Time 🖾 Other <u>Periodic</u>		
If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:		
D04-09-022		
Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL <u>No</u>		
Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL^1 : <u>N/A</u>		
Does AL request confidential treatment? If so, provide explanation: Attachment B is confidential as		
explained in AL.		
Resolution Required? Yes No Tier Designation: 1 2 3		
Requested effective date: <u>7/17/12</u> No. of tariff sheets: <u>0</u>		
Estimated system annual revenue effect: (%): <u>None</u>		
Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): <u>None</u>		
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: <u>None</u>		
Service affected and changes proposed ¹ : N/A		
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: <u>None</u>		
rending advice letters that revise the same tarm sheets. <u>None</u>		
Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 10 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
505 Van Ness Ave. San Francisco, CA 94102		555 West Fifth Street, GT14D6 Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011
EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov		snewsom@semprautilities.com
<u>_</u>		tariffs@socalgas.com

¹ Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

ATTACHMENT A

Advice No. 4379

(See Attached Service Lists)

Attachment B

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Terms of Capacity Contract between SoCalGas

and Transwestern Pipeline Company

This Attachment is being provided only to the Energy Division and Division of Ratepayer Advocates under the confidentiality provisions of the General Order 66-C and Section 583 of the Public Utilities Code and to The Utility Reform Network under the confidentiality provisions of a non-disclosure agreement.