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Advice Letter 4498-G

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# SUBJECT: Revision to Schedule No. G-BTS Pursuant to D. 11-04-032

Dear Ms. Prince:

Advice Letter 4498-G is effective as of July 1, 2013.

Sincerely,

Edward Ramlogen

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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

### Subject: Revision to Schedule No. G-BTS Pursuant to Decision (D.) 11-04-032

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for approval by the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revision to its tariff Schedule No. G-BTS (Backbone Transportation Service), applicable throughout its service territory, as shown on Attachment B.

#### Purpose

This filing is made in compliance with Ordering Paragraph (OP) 12 of D.11-04-032, dated April 19, 2011, to revise Schedule No. G-BTS to decrease the In-Kind Energy Charge from 0.265% to 0.192%, effective July 1, 2013.

#### **Background**

In OP 12 of D.11-04-032, the Commission directed San Diego Gas & Electric Company and SoCalGas to

"...establish an in-kind fuel factor, initially set at 0.22% of the total volume of natural gas to be delivered at the receipt point and updated quarterly based on the fuel factor determined from the prior quarter data."

To comply with D.11-04-032, SoCalGas filed Advice No. (AL) 4240 to revise Schedule No. G-BTS to incorporate the In-Kind Energy Charge of 0.22% effective October 1, 2011. The term "In-Kind Energy Charge" used in SoCalGas Schedule No. G-BTS is synonymous with the term "in-kind fuel factor" used in D.11-04-032. AL 4240 was approved by the Energy Division on July 1, 2011.

On November 30, 2011, SoCalGas filed AL 4304 to revise Schedule G-BTS to decrease the In-Kind Energy Charge from 0.22% to 0.174% for the first quarter 2012. Ideally, SoCalGas would have liked to use its fourth quarter 2011 operations data to determine the In-Kind Energy Charge for the first quarter 2012. However, due to approximately a 25-day time lag in obtaining operations data and at least 30 calendar days necessary for obtaining the Commission approval, SoCalGas used the most recent three-month operations data available (August 1, 2011 through October 31, 2011) to calculate the In-Kind Energy Charge for the first quarter 2012. In AL 4304 SoCalGas also proposed using the same methodology for future quarterly updates (i.e., use

November 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012 operations data to calculate In-Kind Energy Charge for the second quarter 2012). AL 4304 was approved by the Energy Division on December 28, 2011 with the revision to Schedule No. G-BTS made effective January 1, 2012. AL 4340, AL 4371, AL 4396, AL4427, and AL 4466 all used this same methodology.

Consistent with the methodology used in these previous Advice Letters and based on February 1, 2013 through April 30, 2013 operations data, SoCalGas has determined that the In-Kind Energy Charge for the third quarter 2013 (effective July 1, 2013) should be 0.192%. The back-up calculations for the proposed In-Kind Energy Charge of 0.192% are shown on Attachment C.

# 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 received within 20 days of the date this advice letter was filed with the Commission which is June 13, 2013. 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 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 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 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. This filing is consistent with D.11-04-032 and therefore SoCalGas respectfully requests that this filing be approved on June 23, 2013, which is thirty (30) calendar days after the date filed, but with the tariff to be made effective July 1, 2013 (see the Background section above).

If this filing is not approved by Friday, June 28, 2013, SoCalGas respectfully requests the revised tariffs be made effective at least two days after verbal or electronic notification of the approval is communicated to SoCalGas. The requested minimum two-day time lag between the approval date and the effective date is based on the time that is needed to reflect the new In-Kind Energy Charge in Envoy and allow shippers/customers to adjust their gas deliveries and meet nomination deadlines.

# <u>Notice</u>

A copy of this advice letter is being sent to the parties listed on Attachment A, which includes parties in the Firm Access Rights Update Proceeding, A.10-03-028.

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. SOL				
Utility type:	Contact Person: Si	id Newsom		
$\Box$ ELC $\boxtimes$ GAS	Phone #: (213) 2 <u>44-2846</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 V				
Advice Letter (AL) #: <u>4498</u>				
Subject of AL: <u>Revision to Schedule N</u>	o. G-BTS Pursuant f	to Decision (D.) 11-04-032		
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing):	Transportation Ra	tes		
AL filing type: Monthly Quarter				
If AL filed in compliance with a Comm	•			
D.11-04-032				
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Summarize differences between the AL	and the prior with	drawn or rejected AL <sup>1</sup> : N/A		
Does AL request confidential treatmen	t? If so, provide exp	lanation: No		
Resolution Required? 🗌 Yes 🛛 No		Tier Designation: 🗌 1 🛛 2 🔲 3		
Requested effective date: <u>6/23/13 (AL</u>	<u>) 7/1/</u> 13 (Tariffs)	No. of tariff sheets: <u>3</u>		
Estimated system annual revenue effe	ct: (%): <u>N/A</u>			
Estimated system average rate effect (	%): <u>N/A</u>			
		showing average rate effects on customer classes		
(residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).				
Tariff schedules affected: <u>G-BTS, TOCs</u>				
Service affected and changes proposed <sup>1</sup>	: <u>N/A</u>			
Pending advice letters that revise the s	ame tariff sheets:	4496		
Protests and all other correspondence this filing, unless otherwise authorize		are due no later than 20 days after the date of on. and shall be sent to:		
CPUC, Energy Division	v	Southern California Gas Company		
Attention: Tariff Unit		Attention: Sid Newsom		
505 Van Ness Ave.,		555 West 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, GT14D6		
San Francisco, CA 94102		Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011		
EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov		SNewsom@semprautilities.com		
	<u>t</u>	ariffs@socalgas.com		

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

ATTACHMENT A

Advice No. 4498

(See Attached Service Lists)

### ATTACHMENT B Advice No. 4498

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
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Revised 49244-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Revised 49204-G

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48908-G CAL. P.U.C. SHEET NO.

### Schedule No. G-BTS BACKBONE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

Sheet 4

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RATES (Continued)

**BILLING CALCULATION** 

Monthly Reservation Charge:

The Monthly Reservation Charge is payable each month regardless of the quantity of gas scheduled during the billing period. The Reservation Charge for each billing period shall be calculated using the applicable reservation rate and the DCQ as specified in Customer's Backbone Transportation Service Contract (BTSC).

Monthly Reservation Charge = Applicable Reservation Rate \* DCQ \* number of days in the billing period (or, if less than one month, number of days in term of contract).

Monthly Volumetric Charge:

The Monthly Volumetric Charge for each billing period shall be calculated using the applicable volumetric rate multiplied by the scheduled quantities on the Customer's BTSC.

Monthly Volumetric Charge = Applicable Volumetric Rate \* Quantities of Gas Scheduled during the billing period.

In-Kind Energy Charges:

Customers transporting gas over the backbone transmission system shall deliver each day for each billing period at the receipt point an additional in-kind quantity of natural gas equal to a percent of the total quantity delivered at the receipt point. The quantity received by the Utility at the receipt point shall equal the quantity delivered by the Utility to the delivery point divided by (1 - x) where x is the decimal equivalent of the backbone transmission system in-kind fuel factor percentage.

Rate, percent reduction ...... 0.192%

Any applicable volumetric charges shall be charged on scheduled volumes net of shrinkage.

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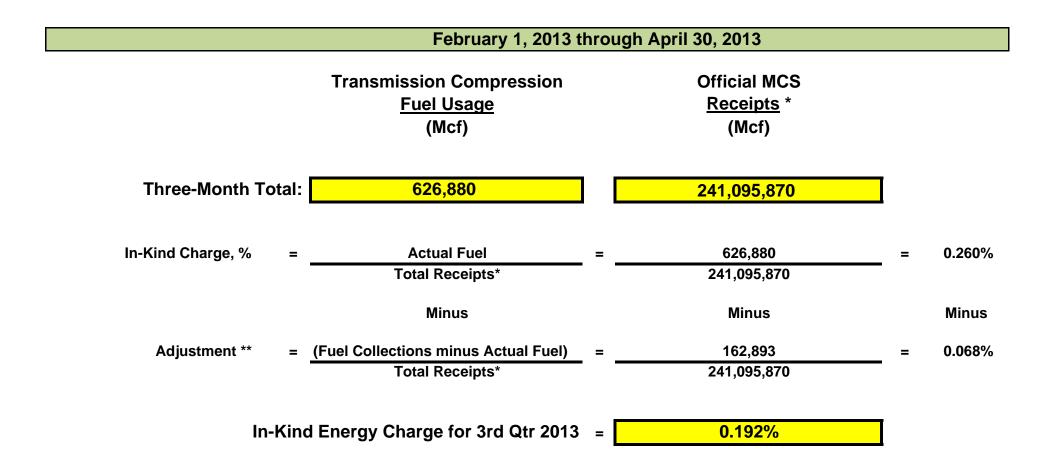
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# **Attachment C - In-Kind Energy Charge Calculation**



\* Total Quantity Received by the Utility at all of its Receipt Points.

\*\* Adjustment (Cumulative) for previous Over/Under Collections