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**Advice Letter 4761-G** 

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SUBJECT: Schedule No. GT-SWGX - Exchange Wholesale Natural Gas Service - Exchange Rate

Dear Ms. Prince:

Advice Letter 4761-G is effective as of March 1, 2015.

Sincerely,

Edward Randolph

Director, Energy Division

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February 19, 2015

Advice No. 4761 (U 904 G)

<u>Subject</u>: Schedule No. GT-SWGX - Exchange Wholesale Natural Gas Service – Exchange Rate

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for filing with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revisions to its Schedule No. GT-SWGX (GT-SWGX), Exchange Wholesale Natural Gas Service applicable to Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest), as shown on Attachment A.

#### <u>Purpose</u>

This filing revises the rate (Exchange Rate) SoCalGas charges Southwest for exchange transportation service pursuant to GT-SWGX. The Exchange Rate recovers certain exchange fees charged by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to SoCalGas plus SoCalGas' system balancing costs, and applies only to gas quantities delivered to Southwest through delivery points served by PG&E.

# **Background**

In Decision (D.) 09-10-036 the Commission adopted an exchange contract between SoCalGas and PG&E and a transportation contract between SoCalGas and Southwest. These contracts govern SoCalGas' service to, and rates for, Southwest. Pursuant to that decision, the PG&E exchange fee shall automatically change if the Commission approves modification to any of the tariffed components of the formula used to determine the exchange fee. Whenever either the PG&E exchange fee changes and/or SoCalGas' system balancing cost adder (SBCA) changes, the Exchange Rate between SoCalGas and Southwest also will change as stated in

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> D.09-10-036, mimeo., at 18 (Finding of Fact No. 18).

GT-SWGX and in the transportation contract between SoCalGas and Southwest.<sup>2</sup> On January 21, 2015, the Commission approved SoCalGas' Advice No. 4730, resulting in a change in the SBCA.

#### **Requested Revision**

This filing increases the Exchange Rate in GT-SWGX from 5.882¢/therm to 5.883¢/therm, which is the sum of the current PG&E exchange fee of 5.765¢/therm and the newly calculated SoCalGas system balancing cost adder of 0.118¢/therm. Pursuant to the contract between SoCalGas and Southwest adopted in D.09-10-036, the revised Exchange Rate charged by SoCalGas to Southwest becomes effective "on the first day of the second month following CPUC approval of the applicable changes." Since the tariff change was approved on January 21, 2015, the new Exchange Rate will become effective on March 1, 2015.

### **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 March 11, 2015. 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 San Francisco. CA 94102

Copies of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of Energy Division Tariff Unit (<u>EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov</u>). 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: <a href="mailto:snewsom@SempraUtilities.com">snewsom@SempraUtilities.com</a>

D.09-10-036, mimeo., Attachment B – Master Services Contract, Schedule A, Intrastate Transmission Service, Section 7.E.4(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> D.09-10-036, mimeo., Attachment B – Master Services Contract, Schedule A, Intrastate Transmission Service, Section 7.E.4(b).

## **Effective Date**

SoCalGas believes this Advice Letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 1 (effective pending disposition) pursuant to General Order (GO 96-B), Section 7.3.1. SoCalGas respectfully requests the tariff sheets filed herein be effective on March 1, 2015, the date specified in the two Commission-approved contracts governing SoCalGas' service to Southwest.

# **Notice**

A copy of this advice letter is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list and the Commission's service list in A.08-12-006, SoCalGas/PG&E/Southwest Wholesale Transportation and Exchange Agreements.

Address change requests to the GO 96-B should be directed by electronic mail to <a href="mailto:tariffs@socalgas.com">tariffs@socalgas.com</a> or call 213-244-3387. For changes to all other service lists, please contact the Commission's Process Office at 415-703-2021 or by electronic mail at <a href="mailto:process\_office@cpuc.ca.gov">process\_office@cpuc.ca.gov</a>.

Rasha Prince
Director – Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

# CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

# ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY ENERGY UTILITY

MUST BE COMPLE	TED BY UTILITY (A	ttach additional pages as needed)		
Company name/CPUC Utility No. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY (U 904G)				
Utility type:	Contact Person: Sid Newsom			
☐ ELC	Phone #: (213) 244-2846			
☐ PLC ☐ HEAT ☐ WATER	E-mail: SNewsom@semprautilities.com			
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TY	EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE (Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)			
ELC = Electric GAS = Gas PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat W	/ATER = Water			
Advice Letter (AL) #: 4761				
Subject of AL: Schedule No. GT-SWG2	— X – Exchange Whol	esale Natural Gas Service – Exchange Rate		
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<b>Keywords (choose from CPUC listing):</b>	Agreements; Cont	racts		
AL filing type:   Monthly   Quarterl				
If AL filed in compliance with a Commi	•			
D.09-10-036				
Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejecte	ed AL? If so, identif	fy the prior AL No		
1		drawn or rejected AL¹: N/A		
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Does AL request confidential treatment	t? If so, provide exp	lanation: No ————		
Resolution Required?   Yes   No		Tier Designation: ⊠ 1 □ 2 □ 3		
Requested effective date: 3/1/15		No. of tariff sheets: <u>3</u>		
Estimated system annual revenue effect	et: (%): <u>N/A</u>			
Estimated system average rate effect (9	%): <u>N/A</u>			
When rates are affected by AL, include (residential, small commercial, large CA		showing average rate effects on customer classes iting).		
Tariff schedules affected: GT-SWGX, TOCs				
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	•	outhern California Gas Company		
Attention: Tariff Unit		Attention: Sid Newsom		
505 Van Ness Ave.,		555 West 5th Street, GT14D6		
San Francisco, CA 94102 EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov		Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011 SNewsom@semprautilities.com		
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

# ATTACHMENT A Advice No. 4761

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
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Revised 51272-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Revised 51269-G

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CAL. P.U.C. SHEET NO. CAL. P.U.C. SHEET NO.

51270-G 50887-G

### Schedule No. GT-SWGX EXCHANGE WHOLESALE NATURAL GAS SERVICE

Sheet 1

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#### APPLICABILITY

Applicable for exchange transportation service exchange with Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E") in order to serve Southwest Gas Corporation's ("Customer") PG&E Points of Delivery located in Customer's service territory in southern California.

#### **TERRITORY**

Delivery points shall be as specified in the executed Master Services Contract, Schedule A, Intrastate Transmission Service, dated December 10, 2008 ("Contract").

#### **RATES**

#### **Exchange Fee Charges**

As specified in the Contract, the Exchange Rate recovers certain exchange fees charged by PG&E to Utility plus Utility's system balancing costs, and applies only to gas quantities delivered through Points of Delivery served by PG&E. Pursuant to the Contract, the Exchange Rate shall automatically change if the Commission approves modification to any of the tariffed components of the formula used to determine the exchange fee.

#### Pisgah Meter Station Charges

As specified in the Contract, Pisgah Meter Station Charges are monthly charges associated with the Pisgah Meter Station Upgrade.

One-Time Lump-Sum True Up Charge .....\$238,523

As specified in the Contract, a one-time lump-sum charge will be paid to enable SoCalGas to recover actual Pisgah Meter Station Upgrade costs during the months before the Pisgah Meter Station Charges are trued up. This charge will cover August 2011 through August 2013.

#### Billing Adjustments

Billing adjustments may be necessary to reflect changes in quantities used in developing prior periods' exchange charges.

Rates may be adjusted to reflect any applicable taxes, franchise or other fees, regulatory surcharges, and interstate or intrastate pipeline charges that may occur.

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(TO BE INSERTED BY UTILITY) ADVICE LETTER NO. 4761 DECISION NO. 09-10-036

ISSUED BY Lee Schavrien Senior Vice President

(TO BE INSERTED BY CAL. PUC) Feb 19, 2015 DATE FILED Mar 1, 2015 EFFECTIVE RESOLUTION NO.

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