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Advice Letter 4805-G

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

Dear Ms. Prince:

Advice Letter 4805-G is effective as of June 1, 2015.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward Randolph".

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Subject: 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.

Purpose

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.¹ 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

¹ D.09-10-036, mimeo., at 18 (Finding of Fact No. 18).

GT-SWGX and in the transportation contract between SoCalGas and Southwest.² On January 21, 2015, the Commission approved SoCalGas' Advice No. 4730, resulting in a change in the SBCA. On April 23, 2015, the Commission approved, as of April 20, 2015, PG&E's Advice 3547-G. This advice filing changed PG&E's transportation rates, which in turn resulted in a new exchange fee charged by PG&E to SoCalGas.

Requested Revision

This filing decreases the Exchange Rate in GT-SWGX from 5.883 ¢/therm to 4.364¢/therm, which is the sum of the newly calculated PG&E exchange fee of 4.246¢/therm and the current SoCalGas system balancing cost adder of 0.118¢/therm. Pursuant to the contract between PG&E and SoCalGas adopted in D.09-10-036, the new PG&E exchange fee will be charged to SoCalGas on the first day of the 2nd month following Commission approval of the underlying tariff changes.³ Since the tariff changes were approved as of April 20, 2015, the new exchange fee will become effective on June 1, 2015. 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 same date.⁴

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 May 28, 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 (EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov). 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.

² D.09-10-036, mimeo., Attachment B – Master Services Contract, Schedule A, Intrastate Transmission Service, Section 7.E.4(b).

³ D.09-10-036, mimeo., Attachment C – Southwest Exchange Gas Delivery Agreement Between PG&E and SoCalGas, Section 5.2.

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

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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 GO 96-B, Section 7.3.1. SoCalGas respectfully requests the tariff sheets filed herein be effective on June 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/P&G&E/Southwest Wholesale Transportation and Exchange Agreements.

Address change requests to the GO 96-B should be directed by electronic mail to tariffs@socalgas.com 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 process_office@cpuc.ca.gov.

Ronald van der Leeden
Director – Regulatory Affairs

Attachments

ATTACHMENT A
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Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
Revised 51522-G	Schedule No. GT-SWGX, EXCHANGE WHOLESALE NATURAL GAS SERVICE, Sheet 1	Revised 51270-G
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Revised 51524-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Revised 51521-G

Schedule No. GT-SWGX
EXCHANGE WHOLESALE NATURAL GAS SERVICE

Sheet 1

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

Exchange Rate, per therm 4.364¢

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

Pisgah Meter Station Charge, per month \$27,505

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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