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Advice Letter 4957

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**Subject: Establishment of the Marketing, Education and Outreach
Memorandum Account (MEOMA) in Compliance with
D.16-04-039**

Dear Mr. van der Leeden:

Advice Letter 4957 is effective as of April 21, 2016.

Sincerely,

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

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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Establishment of the Marketing, Education and Outreach Memorandum Account (MEOMA) in Compliance with Decision (D.) 16-04-039

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby requests California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) approval of modifications to its Preliminary Statement, Part VI, Memorandum Accounts, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown on Attachment A.

Purpose

This filing complies with Ordering Paragraph (OP) 6 of Decision (D.) 16-04-039, *Decision Authorizing Southern California Gas Company to Provide up to \$11 Million for Aliso Canyon-Related Messaging*. D.16-04-039 orders SoCalGas to file a Tier 2 Advice Letter (AL) within five business days of the effective date of this decision to establish a memorandum account, effective immediately, to track all costs associated with the Flex Alert, marketing, education, and engagement activities relating to conservation efforts.

Background

SoCalGas owns and operates the Aliso Canyon gas storage facility (Aliso Canyon). On October 23, 2015, a gas leak was discovered at one of the gas wells at Aliso Canyon. On February 18, 2016, California state officials announced that the gas leak was permanently sealed. On March 15, 2016 the assigned Commissioner to Application (A.) 12-08-007 issued a ruling to consider whether or not to authorize SoCalGas to provide additional funds to encourage conservation in response to anticipated supply shortages during the Aliso Canyon injection moratorium.

On April 21, 2016, the Commission approved D.16-04-039 which, among other things, ordered the following:

1. Within five business days from the effective date of this order, Southern California Gas Company shall submit to the Commission's Energy Division a Tier 2 advice letter to establish a memorandum account, effective immediately, to track all costs associated with the Flex Alert, marketing, education, and engagement activities approved in this Decision. The tracked costs should accrue interest.

Establishment of the MEOMA

SoCalGas establishes the MEOMA to track the authorized costs associated with Flex Alert, marketing, education, and outreach activities approved in D.16-04-039. Pursuant to OP 6 of D.16-04-039, the MEOMA is established and requested to be made effective on April 21, 2016, which is the date of D.16-04-039.

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 18, 2016. 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 (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.

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

This filing is subject to Energy Division disposition and is classified as Tier 2 (effective after staff approval) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B. As indicated in OP 6, SoCalGas respectfully requests that this advice letter be approved May 28, 2016, which is thirty (30) calendar days after the date filed, with the tariffs made effective April 21, 2016, the date of D.16-04-039.

Notice

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list and the Commission's service list in Application 12-08-007. 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
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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:

ELC

GAS

PLC

HEAT

WATER

Contact Person: Sid Newsom

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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) #: 4957

Subject of AL: Establishment of the Marketing, Education and Outreach Memorandum Account (MEOMA) in Compliance with Decision (D.) 16-04-039

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Memorandum Account

AL filing type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other

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

D.16-04-039

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: AL 5/28/16; Tariffs 4/21/16

No. of tariff sheets: 6

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: Preliminary Statement VI and TOC's

Service affected and changes proposed¹: N/A

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: N/A

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
Attention: Tariff Unit
505 Van Ness Ave.,
San Francisco, CA 94102
EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov**

**Southern California Gas Company
Attention: Sid Newsom
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Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011
SNewsom@semprautilities.com
Tariffs@socalgas.com**

¹ Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

ATTACHMENT A
Advice No. 4957

| Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. | Title of Sheet | Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. |
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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - PART VI - MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS
DESCRIPTION AND LISTING OF MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS

Sheet 1

A. GENERAL

Memorandum accounts are special accounts authorized by the Commission for the purpose of tracking certain costs and revenues. Please refer to each individual memorandum account description for the specific accounting treatment applicable to each account.

B. LISTING OF MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS

- PCB Expense Account (PCBEA)
- Research Development and Demonstration Expense Account (RDDEA)
- Curtailed Violation Penalty Account (CVPA)
- Economic Practicality Shortfall Memorandum Account (EPSMA)
- Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA)
- Vernon Avoided Distribution Cost Memorandum Account (VADCMA)
- Vernon Negotiated Core Contract Memorandum Account (VNCCMA)
- Research Royalty Memorandum Account (RRMA)
- Intervenor Award Memorandum Account (IAMA)
- Z Factor Account (ZFA)
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- Firm Access and Storage Rights Memorandum Account (FASRMA)
- System Reliability Memorandum Account (SRMA)
- Fire Hazard Prevention Memorandum Account (FHPMA)
- California Solar Initiative Thermal Program Memorandum Account (CSITPMA)
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- Wildfire Expense Memorandum Account (WEMA)
- Honor Rancho Cost Recovery Memorandum Account (HRCRMA)
- Natural Gas Appliance Testing Memorandum Account (NGATMA)
- Energy Savings Assistance Programs Memorandum Account (ESAPMA)
- General Rate Case Memorandum Account (GRCMA)
- Pipeline Safety and Reliability Memorandum Account (PSRMA)
- Aliso Canyon Memorandum Account (ACMA)
- Energy Data Request Memorandum Account (EDRMA)
- Residential Disconnect Memorandum Account (RDMA)
- Greenhouse Gas Memorandum Account (GHGMA)
- General Rate Case Memorandum Account 2016 (GRCMA2016)
- Deductible Tax Repairs Benefits Memorandum Account (DTRBMA)
- Operational Flow Cost Memorandum Account (OFCMA)
- Assembly Bill 802 Memorandum Account (AB802MA)
- Marketing, Education and Outreach Memorandum Account (MEOMA)

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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - PART VI - MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS Sheet 1
MARKETING, EDUCATION AND OUTREACH MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (MEOMA)

1. Purpose

The MEOMA is an interest-bearing memorandum account recorded on SoCalGas' financial statements. Pursuant to Decision (D.) 16-04-039, the purpose of this account is to track all costs associated with the Flex Alert, marketing, education, and engagement activities. The MEOMA is effective April 21, 2016, the date of D.16-04-039.

2. Applicability

The MEOMA shall apply to all gas customers except for those specifically excluded by the Commission.

3. Rates

See Disposition Section.

4. Accounting Procedures

SoCalGas shall maintain this account by recording entries at the end of each month, net of FF&U, as follows:

- a. A debit entry equal to actual operating and maintenance (O&M) costs;
- b. An entry to amortize the MEOMA balance as authorized by the Commission; and
- c. An entry equal to interest on the average balance in the subaccount during the month, calculated in the manner described in Preliminary Statement, Part I, J.

5. Disposition

The disposition of this account will be addressed in SoCalGas' next General Rate Case or other future proceeding.

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The following listed sheets contain all effective Schedules of Rates and Rules affecting service and information relating thereto in effect on the date indicated thereon.

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