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July 25, 2016

**Advice Letter 4982-G** 

Ronald van der Leeden Director, Regulatory Affairs Southern California Gas 555 W. Fifth Street, GT14D6 Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011

SUBJECT: Modification of Preliminary Statement – Part VI - Energy Savings Assistance Programs Memorandum Account (ESAPMA) Pursuant to Decision (D.) 16-06-018

Dear Mr. van der Leeden:

Advice Letter 4982-G is effective as of June 29, 2016.

Sincerely,

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Advice No. 4982 (U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Modification of Preliminary Statement – Part VI - Energy Savings
Assistance Programs Memorandum Account (ESAPMA)

Burguent to Decision (D.) 16.06.018

Pursuant to Decision (D.) 16-06-018

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for approval by the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revisions to its tariff schedules, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown on Attachment A.

### **Purpose**

This filing modifies the ESAPMA to track the difference between the extended authorized bridge funding adopted in D.15-12-024 and D.16-06-018 and the corresponding approved budgets adopted in SoCalGas' 2015-2017 California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) and Energy Savings Assistance (ESA) Programs Application (A.)14-11-011.

### **Background**

Pursuant to D.15-12-024, the Commission, on December 17, 2015, authorized SoCalGas and other affected utilities to continue their 2014 CARE and ESA Programs until the Commission adopts a final decision on the utilities' 2015-2017 CARE and ESA Program applications. The decision authorized a monthly CARE and ESA program bridge funding to cover program spending from January 1 through June 30, 2016. On June 9, 2016, the Commission in D.16-06-018 authorized an extension of bridge funding from July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, to ensure that no hiatus occurs after the initial bridge funding expires on June 30, 2016, pursuant to D.15-12-024. Funding for the authorized ESA program and CARE administrative and subsidy costs remain unchanged from the bridge funding authorized in D.15-12-024 with the exception of an increase in funding for the Community Help and Awareness of Natural Gas and Electricity Services (CHANGES) Pilot Program.

SoCalGas' authorized bridge funding for July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 is detailed below.

ESA Program	CARE	Total
\$66,208,596	\$73,880,295	\$140,088,891

### Modification of the ESAPMA

In compliance with Ordering Paragraph (OP) 7 of D.15-12-024 and OP 7 of D.16-06-018, SoCalGas is modifying its ESAPMA to record the difference between the revenue requirement adopted for the extended bridge funding period and the revenue requirement requested in the 2015-2017 CARE and ESA Programs A.14-11-011, et al., beginning on January 1, 2016. The "requested" revenue requirement will be trued-up with the adopted revenue requirement in the Commission's decision on the 2015-2017 CARE and ESA Program applications.

### **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 July 19, 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 (<u>EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov</u>). A copy of the protest shall also be sent via both e-mail <u>and</u> 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 this Advice Letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and, as ordered in OP 4 of D.12-06-030, is classified as Tier 1 (effective pending disposition). Therefore, SoCalGas respectfully requests that this Advice Letter become effective on June 29, 2016, the date filed, but that the preliminary statement be effective January 1, 2016 to ensure that the ESAPMA records any difference between the revenue requirement approved in the two bridge funding decisions and the revenue requirement eventually approved in A.14-11-011 beginning January 1, 2016.

### **Notice**

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list and the Commission's service lists in A.14-11-011. Address change requests to the General Order 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 Process\_Office@cpuc.ca.gov.

Ronald van der Leeden 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. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY (U 904G)					
Utility type:	Contact Person: S	ntact Person: Sid Newsom			
$\square$ ELC $\boxtimes$ GAS	Phone #: (213) 24				
☐ 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) #: 4982					
Subject of AL: Modification of Preliminary Statement – Part VI – Energy Savings Assistance Programs					
Memorandum Account (ESAPMA) Purs	suant to Decision (I	0.) 16-06-018			
<b>Keywords (choose from CPUC listing):</b>	Memorandum Acco	ount			
AL filing type:  Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other					
If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:					
D.15-12-024 and D.16-06-018					
Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected	ed AL? If so, identif	fy the prior AL N/A			
Summarize differences between the AL		· -			
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Does AL request confidential treatmen	t? If so, provide exp	lanation: No			
Resolution Required?   Yes   No		Tier Designation: ⊠ 1 □ 2 □ 3			
Requested effective date: AL 6/29/16,	<u>Tariffs 1/1/16</u>	No. of tariff sheets: <u>3</u>			
Estimated system annual revenue effect	ct: (%): <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 C.		showing average rate effects on customer classes iting).			
Tariff schedules affected: Preliminary S	Statement-Part VI,	Energy Savings Assistance Programs			
Memorandum Account (ESAPMA) and TOCs					
Service affected and changes proposed <sup>1</sup> : 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		Southern California Gas Company			
Attention: Tariff Unit		Attention: Sid Newsom			
505 Van Ness Ave.,		555 West 5th Street, GT14D6			
San Francisco, CA 94102		Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011			
EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov		SNewsom@semprautilities.com			
	]	Tariffs@socalgas.com			

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### ATTACHMENT A Advice No. 4982

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

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - PART VI - MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS Sheet 1 ENERGY SAVINGS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (ESAPMA)

#### 1. Purpose

The ESAPMA is an interest bearing memorandum account that is not recorded on SoCalGas' financial statements. Pursuant to Decision (D.) 15-12-024 and D.16-06-018, Bridge Funding for 2016 California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) and Energy Savings Assistance (ESA) Programs, effective January 1, 2016 and July 1, 2016, respectively, the ESAPMA will record the difference between the revenue requirement adopted for the applicable bridge funding period and the revenue requirement requested and eventually approved in the 2015-2017 CARE and ESA Programs Application (A.) 14-11-011.

### 2. Applicability

See Disposition section.

### 3. Rates

The balance in the ESAPMA will be included in Public Purpose Program (PPP) gas surcharge rates upon Commission approval.

### 4. Accounting Procedures

SoCalGas maintains this account by making monthly entries as follows:

- A debit entry equal to the authorized monthly revenue requirement for the ESA program and a) CARE administration costs requested in the 2015-2017 CARE and ESA Program A.14-11-011 (subject to true-up based on the actual revenue requirement adopted in that application),
- A credit entry equal to the corresponding authorized monthly revenue requirement for the bridge funding period adopted in D.15-12-024 and D.16-06-018,
- An entry for amortization of the ESAPMA balance as authorized by the Commission, and c)
- An entry equal to interest on the average of the balance in the account during the month, d) calculated in the manner described in Preliminary Statement, Part I, J.

### 5. <u>Disposition</u>

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The disposition of the account balance will be incorporated in SoCalGas' annual PPP gas surcharge rate update filing for PPP rates effective January 1 of the following year.

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**ISSUED BY** Dan Skopec Vice President Regulatory Affairs

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