

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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October 11, 2016

**Advice Letter 5029-G**

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**SUBJECT: Notification of the Creation of New Affiliates**

Dear Mr. van der Leeden:

Advice Letter 5029-G is effective as of September 16, 2016.

Sincerely,

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

Edward Randolph  
Director, Energy Division



**Ronald van der Leeden**  
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September 16, 2016

Advice No. 5029  
(U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Notification of the Creation of New Affiliates**

**Purpose**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby notifies the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) of the creation of new affiliates, as defined in the Commission's Affiliate Transaction Rules (the Rules).

**Background**

In accordance with Commission Decision No. (D.) 97-12-088, in OIR 97-04-011/OII 97-04-012, Appendix A, Rule VI.B, as modified by D.98-08-035, SoCalGas is required to notify the Commission of the creation of any new affiliate addressed by these Rules. Accordingly, SoCalGas is hereby notifying the Commission of the formation of affiliates as shown on the enclosed Attachment A. Based on a recent internal review, it was discovered that an Advice Letter for Apple Blossom Wind Holdings, LLC and Geronimo Huron Wind, LLC had not been filed. There is a slight delay in the notification. Apple Blossom Wind Holdings, LLC and Geronimo Huron Wind, LLC are included in this filing.

D.97-12-088, as subsequently modified by various decisions, adopted rules governing the relationship between California's natural gas local distribution companies and electric utilities and certain of their affiliates. For the purposes of a gas utility, the Rules apply to all utility transactions with affiliates engaging in the provision of a product that uses gas or the provision of services that relate to the use of gas. However, regardless of the foregoing, where explicitly provided, the Rules also apply to a utility's parent holding company and to all of its affiliates,

whether or not they engage in the provision of a product that uses gas or electricity or the provision of services that relate to the use of gas or electricity.<sup>1</sup>

No unusual or unique circumstances exist that would require affiliate transaction rule implementation measures for these affiliates beyond those already identified by the utility. Therefore, SoCalGas will apply the provisions of its 2016 Compliance Plan Advice No. 4983 to all transactions with these affiliates. If the Commission modifies or requires the modification of Advice No. 4983, SoCalGas will apply all such changes, or the provisions of such amended plans, to the affiliates included herein.

This filing will not increase or decrease any rate or charge, conflict with any schedules or rules, or cause the withdrawal of service.

### **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 on this Advice Letter, which is October 6, 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

A copy of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of the Energy Division Tariff Unit ([EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto: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](mailto:snewsom@SempraUtilities.com)

### **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

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with D.06-12-029, only certain Rules apply to holding companies that are not engaged in the provision of gas- or electricity-related products and/or services.

Order (GO) 96-B, and since this filing is being made in compliance with D.97-12-088, SoCalGas respectfully requests that it become effective on September 16, 2016, which is the date filed.

**Notice**

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list. Address change requests to the GO 96-B should be directed by electronic mail to [tariffs@socalgas.com](mailto:tariffs@socalgas.com) or call 213-244-3387.

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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:

ELC

GAS

PLC

HEAT

WATER

Contact Person: Sid Newsom

Phone #: (213) 244-2846

E-mail: SNewsom@semprautilities.com

### EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

ELC = Electric

GAS = Gas

PLC = Pipeline

HEAT = Heat

WATER = Water

(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 5029

Subject of AL: Notification of the Creation of New Affiliates

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Affiliates

AL filing type:  Monthly  Quarterly  Annual  One-Time  Other Periodic

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

D97-12-088, as modified by D98-08-035 and further modified by D06-12-029

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 AL<sup>1</sup>: N/A

Does AL request confidential treatment? If so, provide explanation: No

Resolution Required?  Yes  No

Tier Designation:  1  2  3

Requested effective date: 9/16/16

No. of tariff sheets: 0

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: None

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

**Southern California Gas Company  
Attention: Sid Newsom  
555 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street, GT14D6  
Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011  
SNewsom@semprautilities.com  
Tariffs@socalgas.com**

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

**SoCalGas Advice No. 5029**  
**Attachment A**  
**Notification of the Creation of New Affiliates**

<b>New Affiliate Name</b>	<b>Address of Headquarters</b>	<b>Primary Officers</b>	<b>Contact Person</b>	<b>Business Activity Description</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Covered Affiliate?</b>
<b>Apple Blossom Wind Holdings, LLC</b>	488 8th Ave San Diego, CA 92101	Kevin Sagara - President	Ramon Gonzales Manager - Accounting Systems & Compliance 555 W. 5th Street GT15B1 Los Angeles, CA 90013	Operating company and holding company of Geronimo Huron Wind, LLC.	6/28/2016	Yes <sup>1</sup>
<b>Geronimo Huron Wind, LLC</b>	488 8th Ave San Diego, CA 92101	Kevin Sagara - President	Ramon Gonzales Manager - Accounting Systems & Compliance 555 W. 5th Street GT15B1 Los Angeles, CA 90013	Develop and operate an approximately 100 megawatt target nameplate capacity wind energy project located in Huron County, Michigan.	7/1/2016	Yes <sup>2</sup>
<b>EWB-Sol 1, LLC</b>	488 8th Ave San Diego, CA 92101	None	Ramon Gonzales Manager - Accounting Systems & Compliance 555 W. 5th Street GT15B1 Los Angeles, CA 90013	The purpose of this company is to act as a holding company; to directly or indirectly participate as a shareholder/member and/or investor in all types of entities, whether of commercial or any other nature, domestic or foreign.	8/12/2016	Yes <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> This designation is purely optional on our part for administrative purposes.

<sup>2</sup> This affiliate is under construction and not operational. However, it will be classified as a covered affiliate for administrative purposes.

<sup>3</sup> In accordance with D.06-12-029, only certain Rules apply to holding companies that are not engaged in the provision of electricity- or gas-related products and/or services.