#### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Advice Letter 5175-A

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

Subject: Supplement – Emergency Local Service Zone Curtailment Effective July 31, 2017 through August 2, 2017

Dear Mr. van der Leeden:

Advice Letter 5175-A is effective as of August 9, 2017.

Sincerely,

Edward Randolph

Director, Energy Division

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August 22, 2017

Advice No. 5175-A (U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Supplement: Emergency Local Service Zone Curtailment Effective July 31,** 

2017 through August 2, 2017

### **Purpose**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits this Advice Letter (AL) to notify the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) and affected parties of a curtailment event in its service territory.<sup>1</sup>

AL5175-A replaces AL5175, Emergency Local Service Zone Curtailment Effective July 31, 2017 through August 2, 2017, filed on August 9, 2017, in its entirety. This supplemental filing clarifies the nature of the discovery of the pipeline anomaly and the reasoning for the resulting pressure reduction.

### **Background**

SoCalGas Rule No. 23, Section J, provides the following:

The Utility shall submit an Advice Letter to the Commission's Energy Division within five business days from the conclusion of a non-maintenance-related curtailment. The filing shall state the facts underlying and the reasons for the curtailment, shall demonstrate that the type of curtailment being declared complies with the Utility's tariffs, and shall set forth efforts the Utility has taken to minimize or alleviate the curtailment. The filing shall be served by electronic mail or overnight mail on affected noncore customers and posted by the Utility on its Electronic Bulletin Board.

This Advice filing is being made consistent with that requirement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SoCalGas is submitting this AL pursuant to Decision (D.) 16-07-008.

## <u>Information</u>

## A. Facts Underlying and Reasons for the Curtailment

SoCalGas initiated an emergency curtailment of service in the North Valley Local Service Zone beginning at 3:30 p.m. on July 31, 2017. The emergency curtailment of service ended at 8:00 a.m. on August 2, 2017. While performing repair work, SoCalGas identified a dent on the long seam on Line 85. As required by 49 CFR 191.23(a)(9) "Reporting Safety-Related Conditions," SoCalGas immediately reduced the pressure of Line 85 and performed the repair work.

The affected customers were electric generator customers located in the North Valley Local Service Zone, which is defined in SoCalGas' tariff maps, Boundary Index Map of Local Service Zones and Territorial Boundary Lines of Local Service Zones. A list of the affected customers is provided in Attachment A.

## B. Compliance with SoCalGas' Tariffs

This curtailment was instituted in accordance with Section E of Rule No. 30, Interruption of Service and Section E of Rule No. 23, Curtailment Due to Emergency Conditions. Each affected noncore customer was provided a Maximum Allowed Usage during the length of the curtailment.

# C. Efforts by SoCalGas to Minimize or Alleviate the Curtailment

SoCalGas notified the affected customers of the curtailment of service through their Account Manager and via our Envoy electronic bulletin board. Notices were posted on Envoy on July 31, 2017 and August 2, 2017.<sup>2</sup>

# **Confidentiality**

Due to the confidential nature of the information in Attachment A, a declaration requesting confidential treatment is included. The List of the Affected Customers in Attachment A is only being provided to Energy Division under the confidentiality provisions of General Order (GO) 66-C, Section 583 of the Public Utilities Code, and D.16-08-024.

# **Protest**

Anyone may protest this AL 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 of this AL, which is September 11, 2017. There is no restriction on who may file a protest. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

<sup>2</sup>https://scgenvoy.sempra.com/index.html#nav=/Public/ViewExternalEbb.getMessageLedger%3Ffolderld%3D1%26rand%3D36

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: Ray B. Ortiz
Tariff Manager - GT14D6
555 West Fifth Street
Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011

Facsimile No.: (213) 244-4957 E-Mail: ROrtiz@semprautilities.com

#### **Effective Date**

SoCalGas believes this AL is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 1 (effective pending disposition) pursuant to GO 96-B. It is in compliance with D.16-07-008. Therefore, SoCalGas respectfully requests that it be made effective on August 9, 2017, which is the date AL5175 was filed.

#### **Notice**

A copy of this AL is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list and the Commission's service lists for A.14-12-017, A.15-07-014, and A.15-06-020. 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 213-244-2837. 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>.

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: Ray B. Ortiz					
☐ ELC	Phone #: (213) 244-3837					
☐ PLC ☐ HEAT ☐ WATER	E-mail: ROrtiz@semprautilities.com					
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE (Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)						
ELC = Electric GAS = Gas PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat W	VATER = Water					
Advice Letter (AL) #: 5175-A						
Subject of AL: Supplement: Emergency	— y Local Service Zon	e Curtailment Effective July 31, 2017 through				
August 2, 2017						
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Curtailment						
AL filing type:  Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other						
If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:						
D.16-07-008						
Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejecte	ed AL? If so, identi	fy the prior AL: No				
Summarize differences between the AL	and the prior with	drawn or rejected AL¹: N/A				
Does AL request confidential treatment? If so, provide explanation: See Declaration of Confidentiality.						
Resolution Required?		Tier Designation: 🛛 1 🔲 2 🔲 3				
Requested effective date: 8/9/17	No. of tariff sheets: 0					
Estimated system annual revenue effect	ct: (%): N/A					
Estimated system average rate effect (9	%): 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: N/A						
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 Southern California Gas Company						
Attention: Tariff Unit		Attention: Ray B. Ortiz				
505 Van Ness Ave.,	5	555 West 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, GT14D6				
San Francisco, CA 94102		Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011				
EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov		ROrtiz@semprautilities.com				
	]	Tariffs@socalgas.com				

 $<sup>^{\</sup>scriptscriptstyle 1}$  Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

# **ATTACHMENT A**

Advice No. 5175-A

# **List of Affected Customers**

Confidential and Protected Materials Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 583, General Order 66-C, and D.16-08-024

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

# DECLARATION OF RASHA PRINCE REGARDING CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN DATA

# I, Rasha Prince, declare as follows:

- 1. I am Director, Commercial/Industrial Services, for Southern California Gas
  Company ("SoCalGas"). I have reviewed the August 22, 2017 Advice No. 5175-A, submitted
  concurrently herewith. I am personally familiar with the facts and representations in this
  Declaration and, if called upon to testify, I could and would testify to the following based upon
  my personal knowledge and/or belief.
- 2. I provide this Declaration in accordance with Decision 16-08-024 to demonstrate that the following confidential information ("Protected Information"), highlighted in grey in Attachment A to Advice No. 5175-A submitted concurrently herewith, falls within the scope of data protected as confidential under applicable statutory provisions:

Location of	Description of	Applicable	Basis for Confidentiality
Data	Data	Confidentiality	
		Provisions	
Advice No. 5175-A - Attachment A	Customer name and location	GO 66-C Section 2.2(b) Gov't Code § 6254(k), 6254.7(d); Evid. Code § 1060; Civil Code §3426 et seq.	Data is market sensitive information that, if revealed, would place customers at an unfair business disadvantage because it provides market sensitive information regarding customer gas usage.
		Gov't Code § 6255	

3. In accordance with the legal authority described herein, the Protected Information should be protected from public disclosure.

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4. I have been delegated authority to sign this declaration by Lisa M. Alexander, Vice President, Customer Solutions and Communications.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Executed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2017, at Los Angeles, California.

Rasha Prince

Director, Commercial/Industrial Services