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Advice Letter 5350-G

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SUBJECT: Establishment of the Emergency Customer Protections Memorandum Account (ECPMA) Pursuant to O.P. 3 of D.18-08-004.

Dear Mr. van der Leeden:

Advice Letter 5350-G is effective as of October 7, 2018.

Sincerely,

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Advice No. 5350 (U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Establishment of the Emergency Customer Protections Memorandum Account (ECPMA) Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 3 of Decision (D.) 18-08-004

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby requests California Public Utilities Commission (Commission or CPUC) approval of the following revision to its tariffs, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown on Attachment A.

<u>Purpose</u>

This submittal complies with Ordering Paragraph (OP) 3 of D.18-08-004, *Decision Affirming the Provisions of Resolutions M-4833 and M-4835 as Interim Disaster Relief Emergency Customer Protections*, dated August 20, 2018, which directed SoCalGas to modify or implement its Emergency Customer Protections Memorandum Account (ECPMA).

Background

The Commission adopted Resolutions M-4833 and M-4835 (Resolutions) to require utilities to assist customers impacted by a series of wildfires in Northern and Southern California in October and December 2017, which resulted in the Governor declaring a state of emergency in several California counties. Pursuant to Resolution M-4833, SoCalGas submitted Advice No. (AL) 5222 on November 27, 2017. In response to a November 28, 2017 letter from then Executive Director of the Commission, Timothy Sullivan, directing SoCalGas to submit a Tier 2 advice letter proposing similar relief to non-residential customers impacted by the October 2017 wildfires, SoCalGas submitted supplemental AL 5222-A on December 27, 2017 clarifying that there were no non-residential customers impacted by the October 2017 California wildfires. Pursuant to Resolution M-4835, SoCalGas submitted AL 5247 on January 26, 2018 to provide emergency residential and non-residential customer protections for its customers impacted by the December 2017 wildfire in Southern California. The Resolutions also authorized SoCalGas to establish memorandum accounts to track costs associated with implementing these emergency customer protections. In compliance with

the Resolutions, SoCalGas established the Wildfires Customer Protections Memorandum Account (WCPMA)¹ and booked the costs associated with implementing the protections ordered in the two Resolutions to these accounts.

Emergency Customer Protections Memorandum Account

Pursuant to OP 3 of D.18-08-004, SoCalGas is authorized to modify or implement the ECPMA to track costs associated with implementing the emergency consumer protections ordered in the Resolutions for all disasters where a state of emergency is declared by the Governor of California. Accordingly, SoCalGas is implementing this directive by establishing the ECPMA and incorporating clarifying language from D.18-08-004. Entries recorded in the ECPMA will be segregated by qualifying event. Pursuant to D.18-08-004, SoCalGas is requesting the ECPMA be made effective August 9, 2018, which is the date of the decision.

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 September 27, 2018. 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 should 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: <u>ROrtiz@SempraUtilities.com</u>

¹ SoCalGas WCPMA: <u>https://www.socalgas.com/regulatory/tariffs/tm2/pdf/WCPMA.pdf</u>

Effective Date

This submittal is subject to Energy Division disposition and is classified as Tier 2 (effective after staff approval) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B. SoCalGas respectfully requests that this advice letter be approved October 7, 2018, which is 30 calendar days after the date submitted, with the tariffs made effective August 9, 2018, the date of D.18-08-004.

<u>Notice</u>

A copy of this advice letter is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list and the Commission's service list in Rulemaking 18-03-011. Address change requests to the GO 96-B service list should be directed by e-mail to <u>tariffs@socalgas.com</u> 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 e-mail at <u>Process Office@cpuc.ca.gov</u>.

Ronald van der Leeden Director - Regulatory Affairs

Attachments



California Public Utilities Commission

ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY ENERGY UTILITY



MUST BE COMPLETED BY UT	ILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)	
Company name/CPUC Utility No.:		
Utility type: ELC GAS WATER PLC HEAT	Contact Person: Phone #: E-mail: E-mail Disposition Notice to:	
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE ELC = Electric GAS = Gas PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat WATER = Water	(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)	
Advice Letter (AL) #:	Tier Designation:	
Subject of AL:		
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): AL Type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other: If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:		
Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? I	f so, identify the prior AL:	
Summarize differences between the AL and th	e prior withdrawn or rejected AL:	
Confidential treatment requested? Yes	No	
If yes, specification of confidential information: Confidential information will be made available to appropriate parties who execute a nondisclosure agreement. Name and contact information to request nondisclosure agreement/ access to confidential information:		
Resolution required? Yes No		
Requested effective date:	No. of tariff sheets:	
Estimated system annual revenue effect (%):		
Estimated system average rate effect (%):		
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:		
Service affected and changes proposed ^{1:}		
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets:		

Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

CPUC, Energy Division Attention: Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102 Email: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov	Name: Title: Utility Name: Address: City: State: Telephone (xxx) xxx-xxxx: Facsimile (xxx) xxx-xxxx: Email:
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ATTACHMENT A Advice No. 5350

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Dairy Biomethane Solicitation Development Memorandum Account (DBSDMA)
Wildfires Customer Protection Memorandum Account (L1600RAMA)
Emergency Customer Protections Memorandum Account (ECPMA)

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CAL. P.U.C. SHEET NO. 55442-G CAL. P.U.C. SHEET NO.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - PART VI - MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS Sheet 1 EMERGENCY CUSTOMER PROTECTIONS MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (ECPMA)

1. Purpose

The ECPMA is an interest-bearing account that is recorded on the Utility's financial statements. Pursuant to Decision (D.) 18-08-004 and Resolution (Res.) M-4833 and Res. M-4835, the purpose of this account is to record all incremental costs incurred by SoCalGas associated with providing the residential and non-residential emergency customer protections ordered therein.

Upon the Governor of California declaring a state of emergency because of a disaster, which affects the utility service of residential and small business customers, SoCalGas shall:

- a. Submit a Tier 1 advice letter within 15 days of the Governor's state of emergency proclamation reporting compliance with Res. M-4833 and Res. M-4835.
- b. Record applicable costs for each event as incurred from the date of the declared disaster or state of emergency.
- c. Record entries in the ECPMA such that they are segregated by qualifying event.
- d. Provide emergency customer protections for each event consistent with the determinations in Res. M-4833 and Res. M-4835.

The ECPMA is effective August 9, 2018, the date of the decision.

2. Applicability

The ECPMA shall apply to emergency customer protections provided to all customers except those customers specifically excluded by the Commission.

3. <u>Rates</u>

See Disposition Section.

4. Accounting Procedures

Upon declaration of a disaster or state of emergency, SoCalGas shall maintain the ECPMA by recording entries at the end of each month as follows, net of FF&U, as applicable:

- a. A debit entry for costs associated with emergency customer protections.
- b. An entry equal to amortization as authorized by the Commission.
- c. An entry equal to the interest on the average balance in the account during the month, calculated in the manner described in the Preliminary Statement, Part I, J.
- 5. Disposition

The balance in the ECPMA will be addressed in SoCalGas' next general rate case proceeding or other applicable proceeding designated by the Commission.

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