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October 23, 2018

**Advice Letter 5362-G**

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Southern California Gas  
555 W. Fifth Street, GT14D6  
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**SUBJECT: Expedited Advice Letter Approval for Renewal of a Canadian Pipeline Capacity Contract Between Southern California Gas Company and Foothills Pipe Lines Ltd. (Foothills)**

Dear Mr. van der Leeden:

Advice Letter 5362-G is effective as of October 23, 2018.

Sincerely,

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

Edward Randolph  
Director, Energy Division



**Ronald van der Leeden**  
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October 2, 2018

Advice No. 5362  
(U 904G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Expedited Advice Letter Approval for an Interstate Capacity Contract**

**Purpose**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) respectfully requests approval by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or Commission) of an interstate capacity contract, as described in Attachment A.

**Background**

Under the interstate capacity acquisition procedure approved in Decision (D.) 04-09-022, contracts for interstate capacity supported by the Public Advocates Office (Cal PA) and The Utility Reform Network (TURN) may be submitted for approval to the Commission by an Expedited Advice Letter. Cal PA has been consulted and does not oppose the capacity contract as described. TURN was unable to participate in the review process for this contract.

**Description of Contract**

The terms of the contract are confidential and are described in Attachment A. This submittal will not create any deviations from SoCalGas' tariffs, cause withdrawal of service from any present customer, or impose any more or less restrictive conditions.

**Confidentiality**

Due to the confidential nature of the contract which contains market-sensitive negotiated core capacity contract terms, a Confidential Attachment A, pursuant to General Order (GO) 66-D, Section 583 of the Public Utilities Code, and D.17-09-023 is being provided to Energy Division, Cal PA, and TURN under the confidentiality

provisions of a non-disclosure agreement. A declaration requesting confidential treatment is being provided to the Commission concurrently with this Advice Letter, pursuant to D.17-09-023.

### **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 10 days of the date this Expedited Advice Letter was submitted with the Commission, which is October 12, 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 email to the attention of Jean Spencer ([jean.spencer@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:jean.spencer@cpuc.ca.gov)) and the Energy Division Tariff Unit ([EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov)). A copy of the protest shall also be sent via both e-mail and facsimile to the addresses 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) 244-3718  
E-Mail: [ROrtiz@semprautilities.com](mailto:ROrtiz@semprautilities.com)

Attn: Joseph Mock  
Regulatory Case Manager - GT14D6  
555 West Fifth Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011  
Facsimile No.: (213) 244-3718  
E-Mail: [JMock@semprautilities.com](mailto:JMock@semprautilities.com)

### **Effective Date**

SoCalGas believes that this submittal is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 2 (effective after staff approval) pursuant to GO 96-B. SoCalGas respectfully requests that this submittal become effective on October 23, 2018, which is 21 calendar days after the date submitted.

**Notice**

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list and the Commission's service list in R.04-01-025. Address change requests to the GO 96-B service list should be directed by e-mail to [tariffs@socalgas.com](mailto: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 e-mail at [Process\\_Office@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov).

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Ronald van der Leeden  
Director - Regulatory Affairs

Attachments



# ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY

## ENERGY UTILITY



MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (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      WATER = Water  
 PLC = Pipeline      HEAT = Heat

(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? If so, identify the prior AL:

Summarize differences between the AL and the 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<sup>1</sup>:

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets:

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

**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](mailto:EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov)

Name:  
Title:  
Utility Name:  
Address:  
City: State:  
Telephone (xxx) xxx-xxxx:  
Facsimile (xxx) xxx-xxxx:  
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Name:  
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**ATTACHMENT A**

**Advice No. 5362**

**Terms of Capacity Contract**

**This Attachment is being provided only to the Energy Division and Office of Ratepayer Advocates under the confidentiality provisions of the General Order 66-D, Section 583 of the Public Utilities Code, and D.17-09-023 and to The Utility Reform Network under a nondisclosure agreement.**

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

**DECLARATION OF PAULINE C. WAH  
REGARDING CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN DATA PURSUANT TO D.17-09-023**

I, Pauline C. Wah, do declare as follows:

1. I am the Gas Transportation Manager, designated by Jawaad Malik, Officer and VP - Gas Acquisition in the Gas Acquisition Department for Southern California Gas Company ("SoCalGas"). I have reviewed the Expedited Advice Letter No. 5362, seeking approval for the capacity contract, submitted concurrently herewith (the "AL 5362"). In addition, 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 hereby provide this Declaration in accordance with Decision ("D.") 17-09-023 and General Order ("GO") 66-D to demonstrate that the confidential information ("Protected Information") provided in the AL 5362 submitted concurrently herewith, is within the scope of data protected as confidential under applicable law.

3. In accordance with the legal citations and narrative justification described in Attachment A, the Protected Information should be protected from public disclosure.

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 2nd day of October, 2018, at Los Angeles, California.



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Pauline C. Wah  
Gas Transportation Manager



# ATTACHMENT A

## SoCalGas Request for Confidentiality on the following information provided in AL 5362

Location/Title of Protected Information	Legal Citations	Narrative Justification
Respective Attachment A to the AL	<p>CPRA Exemption, Gov't Code § 6254.7(d) (Trade Secrets)</p> <p>CPRA Exemption, Gov't Code § 6254(k) ("Records, the disclosure of which is exempted or prohibited pursuant to federal or state law")</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evid. Code § 1060</li> <li>• Civil Code § 3426 <i>et seq.</i></li> <li>• <i>See, e.g.,</i> D.11-01-036, 2011 WL 660568 (2011) (agreeing that confidential prices and contract terms specifically negotiated with a program vendor is proprietary and commercially sensitive and should remain confidential).</li> </ul>	Market-sensitive negotiated core capacity contract terms, if disclosed, would put SoCalGas and the pipeline at a competitive disadvantage, because it would give other shippers, competitors, or market participants insight into SoCalGas' and the pipeline's negotiating positions. The disclosure of this information could result in higher transportation costs to core ratepayers.