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Advice Letter 5446-G

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SUBJECT: Modification of the Master Meter Balancing Account (MMBA) and Rule No. 44 Pursuant to Resolution E-4958

Dear Mr. van der Leeden:

Advice Letter 5446-G is effective as of March 29, 2019.

Sincerely,

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

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**Subject: Modification of the Master Meter Balancing Account (MMBA) and Rule No. 44
Pursuant to Resolution E-4958**

Purpose

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph (OP) 4 of Resolution (Res.) E-4958, Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby requests California Public Utilities Commission (Commission or CPUC) approval to revise its tariffs, as shown on Attachment A.

Background

Decision (D.)14-03-021 established a Mobile Home Park (MHP) Pilot Program which was originally scheduled to end on December 31, 2017. On September 29, 2017, the Commission issued Res. E-4878, which authorized SoCalGas to: 1) continue the MHP Pilot Program and complete all Category 1 MHP conversions and work on Category 2 and 3 MHPs until the earlier date of December 31, 2019 or the issuance of a Commission decision on the continuation, expansion, or modification of the program, and 2) convert an additional 5% of MHP spaces; and further instructed SoCalGas 3) not begin construction of a MHP Pilot Program project if, at the start of the construction project, facts indicate that the conversion project would not be completed by October 31, 2019.¹

On March 18, 2019, the Commission issued Res. E-4958. This resolution authorized SoCalGas to continue its MHP Pilot for eligible MHPs until the earlier date of either December 31, 2021, or the issuance of a Commission Decision for the continuation, expansion or modification of the program beyond December 31, 2021 in Rulemaking 18-04-018. Eligible MHPs were defined as those where SoCalGas and/or MHP owners have incurred "financial obligations" on or before November 1, 2018. Res. E-4958 further determined the number of spaces converted in years 2020 and 2021 should not exceed 3.33% of the total master-metered spaces in a utility's service territory, not including MHPs

¹ Res. E-4878, OP 7.

that are already under conversion or scheduled for conversion; however, it also clarifies that if a single MHP upgrade results in SoCalGas exceeding the 3.33% maximum requirement, SoCalGas is authorized to proceed with that upgrade.²

Proposed Tariff Revisions

In accordance with OP 4 of Res. E-4958, SoCalGas modifies the MMBA and Rule No. 44, as follows:

MMBA

The following text is added to the “Purpose” section:

The MMBA will further record program expenses for parks that are converted pursuant to Resolution E-4958, which extends the Mobile Home Park Conversion Program through the earlier of December 31, 2021, or the issuance of a Commission Decision for the continuation, expansion or modification of the program in Rulemaking 18-04-018.

Rule No. 44

The following text is deleted from Section A:

~~However, SoCalGas will not begin construction of a MHP Program project if, at the start of the construction project, facts indicate that the conversion project would not be completed by October 31, 2019.~~

The following text is added to Section A:

Pursuant to Resolution E-4958, the MHP Program shall continue for eligible parks until the earlier of December 31, 2021, or the issuance of a Commission Decision for the continuation, expansion or modification of the program in Rulemaking 18-04-018. Eligible parks are defined as those which SoCalGas and/or MHP owners have incurred financial obligations on or before November 1, 2018, with “financial obligations” defined as: i) SoCalGas has begun its design/planning/construction of the To-the-Meter work, OR ii) an MHP owner has selected and made a commitment to a Beyond-the-Meter contractor. The number of eligible spaces converted in 2020 and 2021 may not exceed 3.33% annually of the total master-metered spaces in SoCalGas’ territory not already under conversion or scheduled for conversion beyond 2019. If a single MHP upgrade results in SoCalGas

² Res. E-4958 at 1.

exceeding the 3.33% maximum requirement, SoCalGas may proceed with that upgrade.

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 protests must be made in writing and received within 20 days of the date of this advice letter, which is on April 18, 2019. 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 (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: 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 submittal is subject to Energy Division disposition and, per OP 4 of Res. E-4958, should be classified as Tier 1 (i.e., effective pending disposition) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B. Therefore, SoCalGas respectfully requests that this advice letter become effective for service on March 29, 2019, which is 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.18-04-018. Address change requests to the GO 96-B service list should be directed via e-mail to tariffs@socalgas.com or call 213-244-2837. For changes to all other service lists, please contact the Commission's Process Office at 415-703-2021 or via e-mail at Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov.

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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 proposed¹:

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets:

¹Discuss 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:

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Attention: Tariff Unit
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San Francisco, CA 94102
Email: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

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ATTACHMENT A
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Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
Revised 56145-G	PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - PART V – BALANCING ACCOUNTS, MASTER METER BALANCING ACCOUNT (MMBA)	Revised 54373-G
Revised 56146-G	Rule No. 44, MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM, Sheet 1	Revised 54374-G
Revised 56147-G	Rule No. 44, MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM, Sheet 2	Original 50728-G
Revised 56148-G	Rule No. 44, MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM, Sheet 3	Original 50729-G
Revised 56149-G	Rule No. 44, MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM, Sheet 4	Original 50891-G
Revised 56150-G	Rule No. 44, MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM, Sheet 5	Original 50892-G
Revised 56151-G	Rule No. 44, MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM, Sheet 6	Original 50893-G
Revised 56152-G	Rule No. 44, MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM, Sheet 7	Original 50894-G
Revised 56153-G	Rule No. 44, MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM, Sheet 8	Original 50895-G
Revised 56154-G	Rule No. 44, MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM, Sheet 9	Original 50896-G
Revised 56155-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Revised 55707-G
Revised 56156-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Revised 56077-G
Revised 56157-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Revised 56064-G

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - PART V – BALANCING ACCOUNTS
MASTER METER BALANCING ACCOUNT (MMBA)

1. Purpose

The MMBA is an interest bearing balancing account reflected on SoCalGas’ financial statements. The purpose of the MMBA is to record the incremental costs associated with the conversion of master-metered service (i.e., Mobile Home Park Conversion Program) at mobile home parks and manufactured housing communities to direct utility service. The Mobile Home Park Conversion Program is a pilot program as authorized in Decision (D.) 14-03-021. Pursuant to Resolution E-4878, the MMBA will continue to record program expenses until the earlier date of December 31, 2019 or the issuance of a Commission decision on the continuation, expansion, or modification of the program. The MMBA will further record program expenses for parks that are converted pursuant to Resolution E-4958, which extends the Mobile Home Park Conversion Program through the earlier of December 31, 2021, or the issuance of a Commission Decision for the continuation, expansion or modification of the program in Rulemaking 18-04-018.

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2. Applicability

This account will be incorporated in gas distribution rates and apply to all gas distribution customers except for those specifically excluded by the Commission.

3. Rates

See Disposition Section.

4. Accounting Procedures

SoCalGas shall maintain the MMBA by recording entries at the end of each month as follows, net of FF&U, where applicable:

- a) A debit entry equal to the actual incremental revenue requirements (i.e., O&M and capital-related costs such as depreciation, taxes and return) associated with the “to the meter” Mobile Home Park conversion costs capitalized and placed in service upon system cutover to direct utility service, including incremental O&M start-up costs such as customer outreach, administration and other ongoing costs to implement the pilot program;
- b) A debit entry equal to the actual incremental revenue requirements (i.e., amortization, income taxes and return), of the regulatory asset balance associated with “beyond the meter” Mobile Home Park conversion costs amortized in rates over a ten-year period at SoCalGas’ current authorized rate of return on ratebase;
- c) An entry equal to amortization of the MMBA balance as authorized by the Commission; and
- d) 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.

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MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY UPGRADE PROGRAM

A. General

SoCalGas offers the Mobilehome Park Utility Upgrade Program (MHP Program) as a voluntary living pilot program to convert approximately 10 percent of eligible master-metered submetered Mobilehome Parks or Manufactured Housing Communities (MHP) spaces within SoCalGas' service territory. Subject to the requirements set forth in this Rule, all eligible submetered spaces (including both "To-the-Meter" and "Beyond-the-Meter") and common use services within the entire MHP will be converted from master-metered natural gas distribution service to direct SoCalGas distribution and service (Distribution System).

Pursuant to Resolution E-4878, SoCalGas will continue the MHP Program until the earlier date of December 31, 2019 or the issuance of a Commission decision on the continuation, expansion, or modification of the program to complete the 10% conversion target directed in D.14-03-021 and continue the MHP Program to convert an additional 5% MHP spaces. Pursuant to Resolution E-4958, the MHP Program shall continue for eligible parks until the earlier of December 31, 2021, or the issuance of a Commission Decision for the continuation, expansion or modification of the program in Rulemaking 18-04-018. Eligible parks are defined as those which SoCalGas and/or MHP owners have incurred financial obligations on or before November 1, 2018, with "financial obligations" defined as: i) SoCalGas has begun its design/planning/construction of the To-the-Meter work, OR ii) an MHP owner has selected and made a commitment to a Beyond-the-Meter contractor. The number of eligible spaces converted in 2020 and 2021 may not exceed 3.33% annually of the total master-metered spaces in SoCalGas' territory not already under conversion or scheduled for conversion beyond 2019. If a single MHP upgrade results in SoCalGas exceeding the 3.33% maximum requirement, SoCalGas may proceed with that upgrade.

B. Applicability

The MHP Program is available to all eligible master-metered submetered MHPs within SoCalGas' service territory, as defined in Section C below. Within the eligible MHPs, the only eligible Mobilehome spaces are those, as shown on the MHP operating permit issued by the California Department of Housing and Community Development. Recreational vehicle parks and spaces are not eligible for the MHP Program.

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C. MHP Program Eligibility

1. MHPs must meet all of the following criteria to be eligible for the MHP Program. MHP Program eligibility does not guarantee acceptance into the MHP Program, nor does it guarantee conversion to direct service from SoCalGas.
 - a. Receive natural gas through a utility-owned master meter, own and operate the distribution system with at least a gas or electric associated submeters, and furnish natural gas and/or electricity to residents. In cases where only one service is submetered, the submetered service must be served by a MHP Program participating utility;
 - b. Operate under a current and valid license from the governmental entity with relevant authority;
 - c. If operated on leased real property, the land lease agreement must continue for a minimum of 20 years from the time that the MHP Program Agreement is executed by SoCalGas; and
 - d. Not be subject to an enforceable condemnation order and/or to a pending condemnation proceeding.
2. MHP Owners/Operators who elect to participate in the MHP Program must comply with all general rules, rights and obligations as set forth in this Rule. In addition, MHP Program participants must complete and/or execute the following documents:
 - a. CPUC's Application for Conversion of Master Meter Service at Mobilehome Park or Manufactured Housing Community to Direct Service from Electric or Gas Corporation (CPUC's Form of Intent);
 - b. Mobilehome Park Utility Upgrade Program Application (MHP Program Application) (Form 8208); and
 - c. Mobilehome Park Utility Upgrade Program Agreement (MHP Program Agreement) (Form 8210).

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D. MHP Program Components

1. CPUC's Form of Intent

CPUC's Form of Intent will be accepted January 1, 2015, through March 31, 2015 (90-day period). The MHP Owner/Operator must complete and submit the CPUC's Form of Intent concurrently to both the Safety and Enforcement Division (SED) of the CPUC and SoCalGas. CPUC's Forms of Intent received after the 90-day period will be placed on a waiting list.

a. Prioritization of CPUC's Form of Intent

1) CPUC's Form of Intent will be reviewed as follows:

- (a) SED will prioritize MHPs that are gas only or dual system (gas and electric service); and
- (b) the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) will prioritize MHPs that are electric only. MHPs whose CPUC's Forms of Intent are accepted and prioritized by SED and HCD will be considered pre-qualified.

2) SoCalGas will receive a list of pre-qualified CPUC's Forms of Intent from SED and HCD. SoCalGas will then contact the MHPs with the highest priority to participate in the MHP Program until the MHP Program goal is achieved. SoCalGas will undertake its best efforts to communicate and coordinate with other utilities, municipal entities, and/or water and telecommunications providers to maximize efficiencies, where possible.

2. MHP Program Application

- a. After an MHP has been initially contacted by SoCalGas to participate in the MHP Program, the MHP Owner/Operator will be provided with the MHP Program Application. The MHP Program Application requests additional information that the MHP Owner/Operator should provide to enable SoCalGas to commence the engineering and planning process for the new MHP Distribution System.
- b. Upon receipt of a completed MHP Program Application and necessary documentation from the MHP Owner/Operator, SoCalGas will commence engineering and planning a new MHP Distribution System.

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D. MHP Program Components (Continued)

3. MHP Program Agreement

- a. After SoCalGas has engineered and planned the new MHP Distribution System and SoCalGas has received the name of the MHP's Contractor and the cost for the "Beyond-the-Meter" work, SoCalGas will prepare the MHP Program Agreement for signature.
- b. The conversion project will commence upon:
 - 1) the satisfactory resolution of any environmental, endangered species and/or cultural issues;
 - 2) procurement of all required permits;
 - 3) payment for any applicable re-arrangements/relocation of facilities or addition of new gas facilities; and
 - 4) the execution of the MHP Program Agreement.

4. Construction

- a. SoCalGas will perform or select a qualified, licensed contractor to perform all necessary "To-the-Meter" construction, plumbing, and natural gas work as set forth in this Rule and the MHP Program Agreement.
- b. The MHP Owner/Operator's selected Contractor will perform all necessary "Beyond-the-Meter" construction, and/or gas, plumbing work as set forth in this Rule and the MHP Program Agreement.

5. Cutover of Service

- a. Cutover to direct service from SoCalGas will occur only after the inspection and approval of the "Beyond-the-Meter" facilities by the appropriate jurisdictional authorities.
- b. The MHP Owner/Operator master-meter submetered discount will continue in full until and only cease at complete cutover of the entire system to direct service from SoCalGas.
- c. MHP residents (tenants or owners of the Mobilehome) will become customers of SoCalGas and served in accordance with all applicable rates, rules and conditions set forth in SoCalGas' existing Tariffs, except as otherwise noted in this Rule.

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D. MHP Program Components (Continued)

6. Ownership of Facilities After Conversion

- a. Upon cutover to direct service, SoCalGas will own, operate, and maintain all of the “To-the-Meter” natural gas distribution and service systems within the MHP in accordance with all applicable rates, rules and conditions set forth in SoCalGas existing Tariffs.
- b. The MHP Owner/Operator or MHP Owner will own, operate and maintain all “Beyond-the-Meter” facilities in accordance with State and local jurisdictional codes and ordinances.
- c. SoCalGas shall have no liability for the MHP submetered system (referred to as legacy systems), or the “Beyond-the-Meter” infrastructure installed during conversion. The MHP Owner/Operator will hold harmless, defend and indemnify the Utility from all causes of action or claims arising from or related to these systems.

7. Safety

The MHP Owner/Operator and its Contractor participating in the MHP Program recognize and agree that safety is of paramount importance in the performance of the MHP Program and are solely responsible for performing the “Beyond-the-Meter” work in a safe manner and in accordance with the National Electric Code, Universal Plumbing Code and the Safety Section of the MHP Program Agreement.

8. Reimbursement to MHP Owner/Operator

SoCalGas will reimburse the MHP Owner/Operator for reasonable and prudently incurred expenses for “Beyond-the-Meter” construction covered by the MHP Program.

For common areas, consistent with existing requirements for SoCalGas to safely and efficiently connect its facilities with its natural gas main pipeline facilities, SoCalGas will terminate its service facilities at a location as close as possible to the exterior of the building/structure nearest to the SoCalGas mainline facilities. Moreover, the selected location shall be as close as practicable to the existing service delivery points(s); however, some flexibility in the construction approach is necessary to address various situations that exist in current installations.

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D. MHP Program Components (Continued)

8. Reimbursement to MHP Owner/Operator (Continued)

Beyond-the-Meter expenditures shall include costs relating to any modification or retrofit of the exterior of the Mobilehome, costs associated with service relocations, rearrangements, but does not include upgrades, or other service modification(s) by the MHP Owner/Operator and/or by the MHP residents beyond what is being provided by the MHP Program. Expenditures related to common areas shall not include costs for and SoCalGas is not responsible for the installation, modification, and/or permitting of necessary MHP owned gas pipeline facilities, or other non-SoCalGas owned facilities necessary to accommodate gas riser installations. Moreover, SoCalGas is not responsible for any beyond-the-meter work necessary to connect the newly established service delivery points to existing delivery points whether such connections are external or internal to the building/structure.

The amount eligible for reimbursement will be stated in the MHP Program Agreement.

9. Payment to SoCalGas

If applicable, any costs associated with service relocations, rearrangements and upgrades that are not covered by the MHP Program or in excess of what the MHP Program requires must be paid in full to SoCalGas prior to or included with the submittal of the MHP Program Agreement in order for the construction phase to begin.

10. Changes to Mobilehome

Any change to the mobilehome as part of the to-the-meter utility work would require prior permission from the registered owner of the home. Permission from a resident who is not the registered owner is not sufficient.

E. Interaction with Other Tariffs

1. MHP Residents

Upon conversion, MHP residents will be subject to SoCalGas' effective Tariffs, which can be found at www.socalgas.com, with the following exceptions:

- a. Rule No. 07, Deposits: Existing MHP residents who become customers of SoCalGas, through the MHP Program, will be deemed "grandfathered" into their SoCalGas service accounts and, on a one-time basis, fees associated with new customer credit checks and service deposits will be waived. This one-time waiver is authorized by D.14-03-021. MHP residents will still be subject to the service shut-off provisions under Rule No. 09.

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E. Interaction with Other Tariffs (Continued)

1. MHP Residents (Continued)

- b. CARE Program: Existing MHP residents who participate in the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) Program through the MHP master-meter/submeter distribution system and become customers of SoCalGas through the MHP Program will be deemed “grandfathered” into the CARE Program without having to recertify or reapply as long as the name of the customer for the new service account matches that of the name of the participant in the CARE Program. This will be a one-time exception to the CARE Program at the time of the service conversion and will continue to be subject to the periodic recertification and/or post-enrollment verification requirements of the CARE Program.
- c. Medical Baseline Allowance: Existing MHP residents who receive the medical baseline allowance through the MHP master-meter/submeter distribution system and become customers of SoCalGas through the MHP Program will be deemed “grandfathered” and will continue to receive the same medical baseline allowance without having to recertify or reapply as long as the participant who is receiving the medical baseline allowance still resides at the residence. This will be a one-time exception to the medical baseline allowance at the time of the service conversion and will continue to be subject to the periodic recertification and/or post-enrollment verification requirements of the Medical Baseline Allowance.
- d. Service Establishment Charge: Existing MHP residents who become customers of SoCalGas through the MHP Program will be deemed “grandfathered” into their SoCalGas service account, whereby MHP residents, on a one-time basis, will not be charged fees associated with service establishment or service connection. This will be a one-time exception to the Service Establishment Charge.

2. MHP Owner/Operator(s)

Utility service provided by SoCalGas to the MHP Owner/Operator(s) is subject to SoCalGas’ effective Tariffs, which can be found at www.socalgas.com, with the following exceptions:

- a. Rule No. 15, Gas Main Extensions: Because SoCalGas will design and install the new Distribution Line/Main Extension, at no cost to the MHP Owner/Operator, sections in Rule No. 15 that cover applicant responsibilities or options are not applicable to MHP Owner/Operator while participating in the MHP Program. This may include, but is not limited to, applicants’ responsibilities; allowances; contributions or advances; refunds; and design and installation options.

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E. Interaction with Other Tariffs (Continued)

2. MHP Owner/Operator(s) (Continued)

- b. Rule No. 21, Gas Service Extensions: Because SoCalGas will design and install the new Service Extension, at no cost to the MHP Owner/Operator, sections in Rule No. 21 that cover applicant responsibilities or options are not applicable to MHP Owners/Operators while participating in the MHP Program. This may include, but is not limited to, applicants' installation options, allowances and payment.

Because space for metering equipment and its associated working space are very limited in MHPs, the requirements of the Meter Location provision of Rule No. 21 may be waived by the Utility during MHP Program participation. In consultation with the MHP Owner/Operator, all meters and associated metering equipment under the MHP Program shall be located at a protected location in the mobilehome park as designated and approved by SoCalGas.

F. Definitions and Acronyms

Certain specific terms used in this Rule are defined below. Additional definitions for more widely used terms in SoCalGas' tariffs are also found in Rule No. 01.

1. MHP PROGRAM AGREEMENT – The Mobilehome Park Utility Upgrade Program Agreement (Form 8210).
2. BEYOND-THE-METER – Gas “Beyond-the-Meter” facilities include the gas equipment to establish the Service Delivery Point as identified in the “Required Service Equipment” of Rule No. 21, along with the infrastructure necessary to complete the extension of facilities from the gas metering facility to the exterior coach line stub. The Utility will not be responsible for any part of the point of connection material, including labor, or any work that would require an alteration permit. “Beyond-the-Meter” facilities are the responsibility of the MHP Owner/Operator or the mobilehome owner. The exterior coach line stub outlet will continue to be part of the mobilehome and be the responsibility of the mobilehome owner.
3. COMMON USE AREA – Designated building(s), areas, or facilities within an MHP that is (are) intended to be used by all the park residents or the MHP Owner/Operator. Energy costs for servicing the common area are paid for by the MHP Owner/Operator.
4. MHP PROGRAM APPLICATION – The Mobilehome Park Utility Upgrade Program Application (Form 8208).

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F. Definitions and Acronyms (Continued)

5. HCD – California Department of Housing and Community Development. HCD administers and enforces uniform statewide standards which assure owners, residents and users of mobilehome parks protection from risks to their health and safety.
6. CPUC’s FORM OF INTENT – The CPUC’s Application for Conversion of Master-Meter Service at Mobilehome Park or Manufactured Housing Community to direct service from electric or gas corporation (Appendix C of D.14-03-021).
7. MANUFACTURED HOUSING COMMUNITY – Any area or tract of land where two or more manufactured home lots are rented or leased, held out for rent or lease, or were formerly held out for rent or lease and later converted to a subdivision, cooperative, condominium, or other form of resident ownership, only to accommodate the use of manufactured homes constructed pursuant to the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974.
8. MOBILEHOME SPACE (MH-Space) – Designated area within a Mobilehome Park that is owned, rented, or held out for rent, to accommodate a mobilehome used for human habitation.
9. MOBILEHOME PARK OWNER/OPERATOR (MHP Owner/Operator) – The party that has legal obligation for the MHP.
10. MHP RESIDENT – A person who has tenancy in a mobilehome park under a rental agreement or who lawfully occupies a mobilehome.
11. SED – California Public Utilities Commission’s Consumer Safety and Enforcement Division: The SED has safety oversight of electric and communications facilities, natural gas and propane gas systems, railroads, light rail transit systems, highway/rail crossings, licensing, consumer protection, safety oversight of motor carriers of passengers, household goods, water vessels, and regulatory oversight of hot air balloons and some air carriers.
12. SERVICE DELIVERY POINT – Where SoCalGas’ Service Facilities are connected to applicant's pipe (house line), normally adjacent to the location of the meter.
13. TO-THE-METER – Gas “To-the-Meter” facilities include all gas facilities (e.g. connection fittings, pipe, valves, riser, regulator and meters) including substructures necessary to complete the gas distribution line and service extensions to the Service Delivery Point, and will be owned, maintained and operated by SoCalGas.

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