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To: Energy Company Filing Advice Letter

From: Energy Division PAL Coordinator

Subject: Your Advice Letter Filing

The Energy Division of the California Public Utilities Commission has processed your recent Advice Letter (AL) filing and is returning an AL status certificate for your records.

The AL status certificate indicates:

- Advice Letter Number
- Name of Filer
- CPUC Corporate ID number of Filer
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The Energy Division has made no changes to your copy of the Advice Letter Filing; please review your Advice Letter Filing with the information contained in the AL status certificate, and update your Advice Letter and tariff records accordingly.

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Energy Division's Tariff Unit by e-mail to  
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May 1, 2020

Advice No. 5626  
(U 904G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Core Pricing Flexibility and Noncore Competitive Load Growth Opportunities Programs**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) its Core Pricing Flexibility and Noncore Competitive Load Growth Opportunities Program information for 2019. This submittal is made in compliance with Decision (D.) 97-07-054 (SoCalGas' Performance Based Regulation), D.00-04-060 (SoCalGas' 1999 Biennial Cost Allocation Proceeding), and Resolution G-3515 (Southern California Gas Company Report on Core Pricing Flexibility and Noncore Competitive Load Growth Opportunities Programs).

**Purpose**

Consistent with the prior year's submittal,<sup>1</sup> the purpose of this submittal is to report the 2019 results of the Core Pricing Flexibility Program and Noncore Competitive Load Growth Opportunities Program as adopted in D.97-07-054 and D.00-04-060, respectively, for informational purposes only.

**Core Pricing Flexibility Program**

In D.97-07-054 and D.98-01-040, the Commission authorized a Core Pricing Flexibility program for SoCalGas as detailed in Section K.2 of AL 2687-A. Under the Core Pricing Flexibility program, SoCalGas' shareholders are responsible for any reduction in core revenues that may occur due to discounting, and likewise, receive the benefit of any resulting gains. The Commission has authorized SoCalGas to adjust its Core Fixed Cost Account to reflect this arrangement.

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<sup>1</sup> Advice No. 5463, submitted on May 1, 2019 and effective on May 31, 2019, was approved on July 22, 2019.

On May 11, 2018, the Commission closed the Core Pricing Flexibility program to new contracts.<sup>2</sup>

The Core Pricing Flexibility Program produced incremental net revenues in the amount of \$1,166,034 for 2019.

### **Noncore Competitive Load Growth Opportunities Program**

In D.00-04-060, the Commission authorized SoCalGas' revenue treatment for new negotiated contracts that are part of a California Red Team economic development effort and contracts where Rule No. 38 shareholder funding has been used. Under the Noncore Competitive Load Growth Opportunities Program, SoCalGas' shareholders are responsible for any reduction in noncore revenues that may occur due to discounting, and likewise, receive the benefit of any resulting gains. The Commission has authorized SoCalGas to adjust its Noncore Fixed Cost Account to reflect this arrangement.

On May 11, 2018, the Commission closed the Noncore Competitive Load Growth Opportunities Program to new contracts.<sup>3</sup>

The Noncore Competitive Load Growth Opportunities Program produced incremental net revenues in the amount of \$1,632,204 for 2019.

### **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 20 days of the date of this Advice Letter, which is May 21, 2020. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

CPUC Energy Division  
Attn: 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)). Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the shelter at home orders, SoCalGas is currently unable to receive protests or comments to this Advice Letter via U.S. mail or fax. Please submit protests or comments to this Advice Letter via e-mail to the addresses shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission.

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<sup>2</sup> D.18-05-006, at 23 (Ordering Paragraph 2).

<sup>3</sup> D.18-05-006, at 23 (Ordering Paragraph 2).

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### **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 be approved on May 31, 2020, which is thirty (30) 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 A.16-12-010. Address change requests to the GO 96-B service list should be directed via e-mail to [Tariffs@socalgas.com](mailto: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](mailto:Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov).

/s/ Ronald van der Leeden  
Ronald van der Leeden  
Director – Regulatory Affairs



# 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:**

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