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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Clean-Up Submittal to Revise Schedule No. G-BTS

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for approval with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revisions to SoCalGas' Schedule No. G-BTS, Backbone Transportation Service, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown on Attachment A.

Purpose

This clean-up submittal requests Commission approval to make non-substantive revisions to Schedule No. G-BTS, as described below.

Background

SoCalGas' tariffs reflect and represent the outcome of numerous Commission decisions, resolutions, rulings, general orders, code changes, laws, and policy changes that have occurred over the years. As a result, tariff language and/or conditions of service have expired, become obsolete based on several factors, or include non-substantive inadvertent errors.

SoCalGas proposes this clean-up submittal for Commission approval to make non-substantive revisions to Schedule No. G-BTS, Sheets 11 through 14, to correct minor outline numbering and lettering errors.

Requested Tariff Revisions to Schedule No. G-BTS

As a result of an ongoing review of Schedule No. G-BTS, SoCalGas has identified the need to revise the following tariff sheets:

Sheet 11. Relocate **OPEN SEASON: Preferential Bidding – Step 2 (Continued)**, Section **5.1** from Sheet 12 to Sheet 11.

Sheet 12. Add **5. (Continued)** under **OPEN SEASON: Preferential Bidding – Step 2 (Continued)**.

Sheet 13. Correct Section **6.4) (Continued)** to Section **5.4) (Continued)** under **OPEN SEASON: Preferential Bidding – Step 2 (Continued)**. Correct Subsections **a)** and **b)** to **b)** and **c)**, respectively, under corrected Section **5.4) (Continued)**. Correct Sections **7** through **10** to Sections **6** through **9**, respectively, under **OPEN SEASON: Preferential Bidding – Step 2 (Continued)**.

Sheet 14. Correct Sections **11** through **18** to Sections **10** through **17**, respectively, under **OPEN SEASON: Preferential Bidding – Step 2 (Continued)**.

This submittal will not result in any increase or decrease in any rate or charge, conflict with any rate schedule or any rules, or cause the withdrawal of service.

Protests

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 June 28, 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). 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 e-mail address shown below on the same date it is mailed or e-mailed to the Commission.

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Effective Date

This submittal is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 1 (effective pending disposition) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B, Industry Rule 5.1(2). Therefore, SoCalGas respectfully requests that this submittal be made effective June 8, 2020, the date submitted.

Notice

A copy of this advice letter is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list. 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.

/s/ Ronald van der Leeden

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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 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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ATTACHMENT A
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Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
Revised 57729-G	Schedule No. G-BTS, BACKBONE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, Sheet 11	Revised 56653-G
Revised 57730-G	Schedule No. G-BTS, BACKBONE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, Sheet 12	Revised 56654-G
Revised 57731-G	Schedule No. G-BTS, BACKBONE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, Sheet 13	Revised 53470-G
Revised 57732-G	Schedule No. G-BTS, BACKBONE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, Sheet 14	Revised 56655-G
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Schedule No. G-BTS
BACKBONE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

OPEN SEASON: Preferential Bidding – Step 2 (Continued)

2. Noncore transportation customers' bidding rights will be automatically assigned to each noncore transportation customer's Contracted Marketer of record 60 days prior to the start of Step 2 unless revoked in writing by the noncore transportation customers.

Only eligible noncore end-use customers of wholesale customers, the Utility Gas Procurement Department, CTAs, Contracted Marketers who have automatically been assigned noncore transportation customer bidding rights, noncore transportation customers who have revoked automatic assignment of their bidding rights to their Contracted Marketers, and suppliers who have been assigned bidding rights by noncore transportation customers who have revoked automatic assignment of their bidding rights to their Contracted Marketers are entitled to participate in Step 2.

3. Other wholesale customers may elect to have the Utility allow all of their noncore customers to participate directly in the Utility's open season steps. Under this scenario, the wholesale customer's noncore customers will be treated like the rest of the Utility's noncore customers. Each other wholesale customer electing this provision will be required to provide the Utility with a listing of its applicable noncore customers that will be participating, along with those customers' historical annual average usage needed to establish the maximum bidding rights.
4. Other wholesale customers not electing to have their noncore customers participate directly in the Utility's open season will be provided maximum bidding rights for their noncore loads. The wholesale customer can then participate in the open season process, along with the Utility's other noncore customers, on behalf of its noncore customers' requirements.
5. A customer's maximum bidding rights will include a base load maximum plus for certain customers a monthly peaking maximum over a Base Period. Base Period will be defined as the 36 consecutive months of consumption data ending four months prior to the start of the process to assign/award Receipt Point rights. These rights will be calculated as follows:
 - 1) Customer's base load maximum bidding rights will be determined based on that customer's average daily historical consumption during the Base Period less any set-aside elected by that customer under an end-use transportation agreement. In the case of a customer that has tolling agreements with a third party for its plant's operations, the third party will be afforded maximum bidding rights based on the historical usage under the tolling agreements and subsequently the plant operator's maximum bidding rights will be reduced accordingly. Each wholesale customer will have to attest to the portion of its Utility metered consumption used for core customers to the extent it is only participating on behalf of its core customers.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

OPEN SEASON: Preferential Bidding – Step 2 (Continued)

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- 2) All core customers including the Utility Gas Procurement Department, core loads of wholesale customers other than SDG&E and CTAs will be provided base load maximum bidding rights. These maximum bidding rights will equal the respective customer's average daily usage during the Base Period less any set-aside elected. For CTAs, the average daily usage will be their currently "contracted for" load. A seasonal differentiation of the bidding rights shall be given to match their bidding rights with their required seasonal interstate capacity requirements. The actual bidding capability of the Utility Gas Procurement Department will be no different nor provided any preference to those provided to noncore customers.
- 3) For other customers, the months the customer uses more than its average base load, the customer's monthly maximum bidding rights will be set equal to its historical usage in those particular months during the Base Period less any set-aside elected.
- 4) To the extent a customer's historical load is not expected to represent its future consumption, documented to the Utility's satisfaction, due to additional equipment being added, new facilities being built, or a new customer taking transportation service for an existing facility, maximum bidding rights will be adjusted to account for these exceptions. Following are the general guidelines to permit such an exception:
 - a) New customer's bidding rights may be established by providing copies of documentation submitted to public entities (state or local) describing expected equipment use for regulatory or permitting requirements.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

OPEN SEASON: Preferential Bidding – Step 2 (Continued)

5. 4) (Continued)

- b) For an existing customer’s plant adding new equipment capacity, new equipment must have been ordered and an increase in bidding rights will be based on a projection of use: (Existing plant + new equipment capacity)/(existing plant capacity times the historical 12-month load profile).
- c) A new customer may establish bidding rights by agreeing to minimum use-or-pay obligations in a new Utility transportation contract to replace or substitute for historical load.

6. Tolling Entities will be allocated bidding rights based on the historical usage under tolling agreements in effect during the Base Period, even if the Tolling Agreement expired before the BTS period commences or will expire during the BTS period. Bidding rights for tolled customers will be reduced by an equivalent amount.

7. Customers may submit an annual base load receipt point access bid up to the average daily quantity established as their maximum bidding rights. Additionally, customers may bid monthly bids up to the monthly quantity recorded for that customer in a particular month as established in their maximum bidding rights. The sum of the monthly bid plus any base load bid covering a particular month may not exceed the maximum bidding rights established for the particular month.

8. A customer may not bid in aggregate more than its annual total of maximum bidding rights. Any capacity awarded in Round 1 of the Step 2 Open Season will reduce the amount of bidding rights, both for base loaded bids and monthly bids for Rounds 2 and 3. Customers may submit bids in the Step 2 rounds for an amount of receipt point access rights up to 100% of their bidding rights, and may bid to acquire such rights at any Receipt Points or combination of Receipt Points. The sum of all of a customer’s awards for Rounds 1, 2, and 3 may not exceed its maximum bidding rights.

9. Bids will be submitted for Step 2 on a Receipt Point, Rate Schedule and Quantity basis only. Bidders for Backbone Transportation Service rights in Step 2 shall choose service under either the G-BTS1 or G-BTS2 rate.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

OPEN SEASON: Preferential Bidding – Step 2 (Continued)

- 10. End-use customers entitled to participate in Rounds 1, 2 and 3 may (1) bid on their own behalf, or (2) allow a third party (such as a marketer) to bid on their behalf. T
- 11. The applicable rate for firm Backbone Transportation Service rights awarded in Step 2 will be the G-BTS1 or G-BTS2. T
- 12. All bids must be submitted through the Utility’s internet-based bid system platform. Prior to submitting a bid, a bidder must have an executed RPMA in place and must also have satisfied the Utility’s applicable credit requirements. T
- 13. An end-use customer who is already in good standing for credit with the Utility prior to Step 2 will be deemed creditworthy up to their specified maximum bidding rights. T
- 14. All bids, once submitted, cannot be withdrawn. The Utility will provide a confirmation to the bidding party that the submitted bid was received. T
- 15. Bids for monthly capacity will be given a lower priority relative to bids for base load capacity in awarding receipt point access rights for over-subscribed Receipt Points. T
- 16. If more quantity is bid for at a particular Receipt Point or Transmission Zone than the available capacity at the Receipt Point or Transmission Zone, all such bidders will be awarded rights on a basis pro rata to the amounts they bid for that point. Bids will be prorated first at a particular receipt points and then at the Transmission Zone if needed. T
- 17. Successful bidders are contractually liable for all Backbone Transportation Service capacity rights awarded to them in Step 2 and will be assigned a unique contract number for each successful bid. T

OPEN SEASON: Long Term Open Season – Step 3

- 1. An open season –Step 3 will be conducted through the Utility’s on-line bid system prior to service commencing under this schedule whereby all existing firm Backbone Transportation Service capacity available after Step 2 shall be made available through an open season process consisting of one round of bidding.
- 2. Bidders for Backbone Transportation Service capacity rights awarded in Step 3 shall choose service under either G-BTS1 or G-BTS2 rate.

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