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From: Energy Division PAL Coordinator

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June 25, 2020

Advice No. 5653  
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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Revision to Dispatchable Electric Generation definition in SoCalGas Rule No. 01, Definitions**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for approval by the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission or CPUC) revisions to its Rule No. 01, Definitions, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown in Attachment A.

**Purpose**

SoCalGas proposes to revise the definition of Dispatchable Electric Generation in SoCalGas' Rule No. 01 for the purposes of applying Rule No. 23 Section C, Curtailment of Service, to the wholesale customer load that operates in response to dispatch orders from Rule No. 01 defined Electric Grid Operators and other electric grid operators.

**Background**

SoCalGas' Rule No. 23, Continuity of Service and Interruption of Delivery,<sup>1</sup> outlines the Commission's curtailment requirements. Specifically, Section C.1, Effectuation of Curtailment, authorizes SoCalGas to curtail service when, in the judgment of the Utility, operating conditions require curtailment of service. Section C.1 describes a seven-step process for interrupting service that includes curtailment of dispatchable electric generation in Steps 1 and 2.

Recently, an existing SoCalGas international affiliate wholesale customer, ECOGAS Mexico, S. de R.L. de C.V. (ECOGAS), located south of the United States Imperial

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www2.socalgas.com/regulatory/tariffs/tm2/pdf/23.pdf>

Valley in Mexicali, Mexico, informed SoCalGas it was looking to add dispatchable electric generation customer(s).

### **Discussion**

For the purposes of applying Rule No. 23, Dispatchable Electric Generation should include the portion of wholesale customer load that operates in response to dispatch orders from both Rule No. 01 defined Electric Grid Operators, and, other electric grid operators. In order to properly effectuate a curtailment per Rule No. 23, SoCalGas is requesting to add this to the definition of Dispatchable Electric Generation in its Rule No. 01.

Absent this change, parity between customers may not be maintained when a Dispatchable Electric Generation customer, that is a customer of a wholesale customer of SoCalGas, is not curtailed until Step 3, which would be after dispatchable electric generation customers on the SoCalGas system that are curtailed under Steps 1 and 2, pursuant to Rule No. 23 Section C.1.

### **Proposed Tariff Revisions**

SoCalGas has added to the Rule No. 01 definition of Dispatchable Electric Generation as follows:

Dispatchable Electric Generation: Electric Generation customers who operate in response to dispatch orders from Electric Grid Operators. **For the purposes of applying Rule No. 23 Section C, Curtailment of Service, Dispatchable Electric Generation also includes that portion of wholesale customer load that operates in response to dispatch orders from Rule No. 01 defined Electric Grid Operators and other electric grid operators.**

This submittal will not create any deviations from SoCalGas' tariffs, cause withdrawal of service from any present customers, or impose additional restrictive conditions than those which currently exist. Further, in the event the tariff provision allows for discretion in its application, SoCalGas will apply the tariff provision in the same manner to its wholesale customers and other market participants and their respective customers. In the event the tariff provision has no discretion in the application of the tariff provision, SoCalGas will strictly enforce that tariff provision.

### **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 July 15, 2020. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is given below.

CPUC Energy Division  
Attention: 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 CPUC's 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 email to the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or e-mailed to the Commission.

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### **Effective Date**

SoCalGas believes that this advice letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 2 (effective after staff approval) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B. SoCalGas requests the tariff sheets submitted herein be effective for service on and after July 25, 2020.

### **Notice**

A copy of this advice letter is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list and the Commission's service list for A.15-06-020, Temporary Daily Balancing Requirements. 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 213-244-2837. 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).

/s/ Ronald van der Leeden  
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  
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San Francisco, CA 94102  
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ATTACHMENT A  
Advice No. 5653

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Revised 57751-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Revised 57738-G



Rule No. 01  
DEFINITIONS

Sheet 5

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Daily Usage for the Utility Gas Procurement Department: Estimated actual consumption using the historical and daily/hourly data available through use of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure Data Aggregation System.

Day: Period commencing at 12:00 midnight (Pacific time) on any calendar day and ending at 12:00 midnight (Pacific time) on the next succeeding calendar day.

DCQ: See Contract Quantity, Daily.

Decatherm: Ten therms or 1,000,000 British thermal units (MMBtu).

Direct Access (DA): Any end-use Utility customer electing to procure its natural gas, and any other CPUC-authorized energy services, directly from core transport agent (CTA).

Direct Access Service Request (DASR): Request for enrollment, termination, or other change under the Core Aggregation Transportation (CAT) program. The DASR transaction outlined in Rule No. 32 was implemented pursuant to CPUC D.98-02-108.

Dispatchable Electric Generation: Electric Generation customers who operate in response to dispatch orders from Electric Grid Operators. For the purposes of applying Rule No. 23 Section C, Curtailment of Service, Dispatchable Electric Generation also includes that portion of wholesale customer load that operates in response to dispatch orders from Rule No. 01 defined Electric Grid Operators and other electric grid operators.

Displacement Receipt Point Capacity: Utility pipeline system improvements which increase the take-away capacity from a receipt point but do not increase the overall downstream capacity of the Utility's backbone transmission system. The addition of Displacement Receipt Point Capacity increases the ability of the Utility to receive gas from a particular receipt point or zone in competition with other gas supplies delivered into the system.

Electric Generation: Use of natural gas to generate electricity, either directly or indirectly, including natural gas used for cogeneration or solar electric generation projects.

Electric Generation Startup and Igniter Fuel: Electric generation natural gas use where no alternate fuel capability exists for: (1) heating the boiler system adequately during start-up to enable efficient oil burning to meet pollution standards; and (2) insuring continuous-ignition and flame-stabilization within the boiler.

Electric Grid Operators: California Independent System Operator (CAISO), Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), Glendale Water and Power (GWP), Burbank Water and Power (BWP), and Imperial Irrigation District (IID).

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ISSUED BY

**Dan Skopec**  
Vice President  
Regulatory Affairs

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