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**As of January 11, 2022**

Subject: Modification of Schedule No. G-MSUR, Transported Gas Municipal Surcharge, For Customers Located in the City of Los Angeles.

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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.

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- Advice Letter Number
- Name of Filer
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December 13, 2021

Advice No. 5912  
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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: Modification of Schedule No. G-MSUR, Transported Gas Municipal Surcharge, For Customers Located in the City of Los Angeles**

**Purpose**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby requests approval by the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission or CPUC) to modify its Schedule No. G-MSUR, Transported Gas Municipal Surcharge, as shown in Attachment A, for the reasons described herein.

**Background**

SoCalGas' franchise agreement with the City of Los Angeles (City) (Franchise Agreement, embodied in City Ordinance No. 168164) requires SoCalGas "to collect from [SoCalGas]'s transportation service customers... and pay to the City on behalf of such customers, an amount equal to two percent (2%) of the value of transported gas or other commodity consumed within the area covered by this franchise ("in lieu fees")." Separately, the Municipal Public Lands Use Surcharge Act, Cal. Pub. Util. Code § 6350 *et seq.* (the "Act"), statutorily authorizes the payment by utilities to municipalities of specified in lieu fees on transportation volumes of gas (referred to as "municipal surcharges"). The Franchise Agreement was passed and approved in August 1992, before the passage of the Act in 1993. However, the Act contained a carve-out for pre-existing agreements, providing in Cal. Pub. Util. Code § 6352 that "(n)othing in this chapter shall in any way affect the rights of the parties to existing franchise agreements executed pursuant to this division that are in force on the effective date of this chapter."

The Franchise Agreement is scheduled to expire by its terms on December 31, 2021, pursuant to City Ordinance No. 186821. After that time, pursuant to Pub. Util. Code § 6352 as described above, SoCalGas will lack legal authority to continue charging the in lieu fee via CPUC tariff. Rather, beginning January 1, 2022, SoCalGas will be required to

charge the statutory rate set by the Act, as it appears in SoCalGas' Schedule No. G-MSUR, which was most recently approved by the CPUC in Advice No. 5536.

**Proposed Modifications**

For the reasons described above, beginning January 1, 2022, SoCalGas' transportation customers located in the City of Los Angeles will be charged a municipal surcharge at the statutory rate pursuant to the Act, instead of at the currently-approved rate of two (2) percent charged as "in lieu" fees. In order to effectuate these changes, SoCalGas modifies Schedule No. G-MSUR, as shown in Attachment A, as follows:

Applicability

Applicable pursuant to Chapter 2.5 of Division 3 (sections 6350, et al.) of the Public Utilities Code as enacted by Senate Bill 278/Beverly (municipal Surcharge Law), to all transportation volumes of gas on the Utility system ~~to customers outside the City of Los Angeles~~, except for those listed under Special Condition No. 1, ~~and to transportation volumes of gas delivered to customers within the City of Los Angeles pursuant to Section 6.1 of Los Angeles City Ordinance No. 168164.~~

...

Rates

Within the City of Los Angeles.....~~2.0000%~~ 1.3720%

...

Special Conditions

1. The following customers ~~located outside the City of Los Angeles~~ are exempt from Schedule G-MSUR pursuant to the terms of SB 278:

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2. ~~For customers outside the City of Los Angeles, the~~ The surcharge assessed for gas used to generate electricity by a nonutility facility shall be the same as the surcharge assessed for gas used to generate electricity by the electric utility for the quantity of gas described in Section 454.4 of the California Public Utilities code (the cogeneration gas allowance).

~~3. There are no exemptions for customers within the City of Los Angeles~~

SoCalGas anticipates submitting for Commission approval at a later date, a revised Schedule No. G-MSUR to implement the terms of a new franchise agreement with the City, establishing the new rates and exemptions (if any) for customers within the City. However, the effective date of such a submission is anticipated to be later than December 31, 2021, necessitating the tariff changes described herein.

### **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 January 2, 2022. 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

Copies 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, 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 e-mailed to the Commission.

Attn: Grisel Juarez Velazquez  
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E-mail: [GJuarezVelazquez@socalgas.com](mailto:GJuarezVelazquez@socalgas.com)  
E-mail: [Tariffs@socalgas.com](mailto:Tariffs@socalgas.com)

### **Effective Date**

SoCalGas believes this advice letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 1 (effective pending staff approval as a tariff change in compliance with specific requirements of a statute or Commission order where the wording of the change follows directly from the statute or Commission order) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B. SoCalGas requests that this submittal be approved effective January 1, 2022, which is the date the current Franchise Agreement with the City will no longer be in effect.

### **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](mailto:Tariffs@socalgas.com) or call 213-244-2837.

/s/ Joseph Mock  
Joseph Mock  
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)

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ATTACHMENT A  
Advice No. 5912

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
Revised 59372-G	PRELIMINARY STATEMENT, PART II, SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES, Sheet 10	Revised 58235-G
Revised 59373-G	Schedule No. G-MSUR, TRANSPORTED GAS MUNICIPAL SURCHARGE, Sheet 1	Revised 56788-G
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**PRELIMINARY STATEMENT**  
**PART II**  
**SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES**

Sheet 10

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**TAX SURCHARGE TO FUND PUBLIC PURPOSE PROGRAMS**

<u>Schedule G-PPPS</u>	<u>Tax Surcharge</u>	
<u>Customer Served Under the</u>	<u>For all service, per meter, per month</u>	
<u>Following Rate Schedules</u>	<u>CARE Customer***</u>	<u>Non-CARE Customer</u>
	<u>(¢/therm)</u>	<u>(¢/therm)</u>
Core		
Residential	2.241	7.682
Commercial/Industrial	5.821	11.262
Gas Air Conditioning	19.220	24.661
Gas Engine	N/A	10.494
Natural Gas Vehicle	N/A	5.441
Noncore		
Commercial/Industrial	N/A	6.014

**SURCHARGE TO FUND PUC UTILITIES REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT**

<u>Schedule G-SRF</u>	
Surcharge, per therm .....	0.577¢

**TRANSPORTED GAS MUNICIPAL SURCHARGE**

<u>Schedule G-MSUR</u>	
Outside the City of Los Angeles .....	1.3720%
Within the Cities of San Buenaventura (Ventura), Huntington Beach, Visalia, Bakersfield, and Long Beach .....	2.3720% *
Within the City of Los Angeles .....	1.3720%

\* Includes 1% franchise fee surcharge for City of Ventura customers pursuant to D.07-10-024, for City of Huntington Beach customers pursuant to Resolution G-3452, City of Visalia pursuant to Advice No. 4418, City of Bakersfield pursuant to Advice No. 4569, and City of Long Beach pursuant to Advice No. 5392.

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Schedule No. G-MSUR  
TRANSPORTED GAS MUNICIPAL SURCHARGE

Sheet 1

APPLICABILITY

Applicable pursuant to Chapter 2.5 of Division 3 (sections 6350, et al.) of the Public Utilities Code as enacted by Senate Bill 278/Beverly (municipal Surcharge Law), to all transportation volumes of gas on the Utility system, except for those listed under Special Condition No. 1.

TERRITORY

Applicable throughout the service territory.

RATES

Surcharge Percentage:

Outside the City of Los Angeles .....	1.3720%
Within the Cities of San Buenaventura (Ventura), Huntington Beach, Visalia, Bakersfield, and Long Beach .....	2.3720%*
Within the City of Los Angeles .....	1.3720%

\* Includes 1% franchise fee surcharge for City of Ventura customers pursuant to D. 07-10-024, for City of Huntington Beach customers pursuant to Resolution G-3452, City of Visalia pursuant to Advice No. 4418, City of Bakersfield pursuant to Advice No. 4569, and City of Long Beach pursuant to Advice No. 5392.

The municipal surcharge is calculated as the product of the following:

Applicable surcharge percentage,  
 Adjusted Core Procurement Charge, G-CPA, set forth in Schedule No. G-CP,  
 Gross-to-net factor of 98.6280% (to remove franchise fees included in rate G-CPA), and  
 Terms of gas transported during the billing period.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The following customers are exempt from Schedule G-MSUR pursuant to the terms of SB 278:
  - a. The State of California or a political subdivision (county) thereof.
  - b. Interutility gas service, where gas is transported through the Utility service territory for consumption outside the Utility's service territory.

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Schedule No. G-MSUR  
TRANSPORTED GAS MUNICIPAL SURCHARGE

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

2. The surcharge assessed for gas used to generate electricity by a nonutility facility shall be the same as the surcharge assessed for gas used to generate electricity by the electric utility for the quantity of gas described in Section 454.4 of the California Public Utilities code (the cogeneration gas allowance). D
3. The surcharge is shown as a separate line item on customers' bills. D,N
4. In the event that payment pursuant to this schedule becomes more than 90 days delinquent, the Utility shall notify the appropriate municipality of the delinquency and provide the name and address of the customer and the amount of the surcharge delinquent. Utility shall not be liable for delinquent surcharges. D,N

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