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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

### <u>Subject</u>: Modifications to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Memorandum Account (IIJAMA)

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for approval with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) hereby submits the following modifications applicable to its Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act Memorandum Accounts (IIJAMA) Preliminary Statements, as shown on Attachment A.

### Purpose

The modifications to the IIJAMA Preliminary Statements are in accordance with the cost recovery methodology provided by the Commission in Resolution E-5254, page 7, to clarify that SoCalGas may also use these accounts to track costs and taxes for federal funding (e.g., grant awards, loans, or other program funds) and taxes for those awards.

### **Background**

The 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) appropriated more than \$62 billion to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to create and fund 60 new programs, including 16 demonstration and 32 deployment programs. This newly available federal funding aligns with the Commission's goals of improving energy infrastructure to support zero carbon emissions, grid reliability, safety, and affordability for electric and gas customers. As such, on January 24, 2022 and November 28, 2022, Commission President Alice Busching Reynolds sent two letters to the investor-owned utilities (IOUs) to gather additional information on how California's IOUs plan to seek and utilize matching funds of non-ratepayer funding.

Additionally, in 2022 Congress passed two other major pieces of energy-related federal legislation – the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and the Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors and Science Act (CHIPS). Unlike the IIJA, the IRA and CHIPS rely less heavily on grants to utility providers. The IRA's principal climate and energy-related tools are tax rebates and consumer credits or incentives, while CHIPS invests in research and development to catalyze commercialization of new clean energy technologies faster and at

cheaper price points. However, like the IIJA, specific programs and details of the IRA and CHIPS require matching funds (although not necessarily from IOU ratepayers) while others are still under development, allowing for grant or other utility-focused opportunities to be announced at a future time.

On April 10, 2023, the Commission issued Resolution E-5254 adopting a process for the electric and gas IOUs to request cost recovery for match funding and tax liabilities pursuant to any funds received from IIJA's Clean Energy Infrastructure Grant Programs administered by the DOE, IRA, and CHIPS. The Resolution also adopted an advice letter process for IOUs to track and report costs and grant project progress. OP 1 of the Resolution ordered SoCalGas to submit a Tier 2 advice letter within 60 days of issuance of the Resolution to modify its gas preliminary statements to establish the IIJAMA effective as of the Resolution's effective date of April 6, 2023. As directed by OPs 2 and 3, the IIJAMA will track the incremental costs incurred during the preparation of applications, to inform oversight and evaluation of future match funding cost recovery requests, and a subaccount within the IIJAMA will track the tax impacts of the federal grant awards. As required by the Resolution, while the IIJAMA will track such incremental costs, project funding/cost recovery will be addressed in the IOUs' General Rate Cases or separate project applications.

Pursuant to OP 1, SoCalGas submitted Advice Letter 6137 to establish an IIJA Memorandum Account (IIJAMA) on May 2, 2023 which was accepted by the Commission on June 5, 2023, effective April 6, 2023.

### 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 submitted electronically and must be received within 20 days after the date of this Advice Letter, which is September 18, 2023. Protests should be submitted to the attention of the Energy Division Tariff Unit at:

E-mail: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

In addition, protests and all other correspondence regarding this Advice Letter should also be sent electronically to the attention of:

Attn: Gary Lenart Regulatory Tariff Manager E-mail: <u>GLenart@socalgas.com</u> E-mail: <u>Tariffs@socalgas.com</u>

### **Effective Date**

SoCalGas asserts this submittal 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 respectfully requests that this submittal become effective September 28, 2023, which is 30 calendar days after the date submitted.

### <u>Notice</u>

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to SoCalGas' General Order (GO) 96-B service list and the Commission's service list in the following proceedings:

A2106021; A1908013; A2205016; A2205015; A1908015; A2009002; A2205006; A2105017; A2208010; R1909009; R1804019; R1901011; A2111021; R1807006; R2202002, R1812006; A2212009; A2206003; A2107017; A2202007

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<u>/s/ Joseph Mock</u> Joseph Mock Director – Regulatory Affairs

Attachments



# California Public Utilities Commission

## ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY ENERGY UTILITY



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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:	
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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 tar	riff sheets:

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: <u>EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov</u>	Name: Title: Utility Name: Address: City: State: Telephone (xxx) xxx-xxxx: Facsimile (xxx) xxx-xxxx: Email:
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### ATTACHMENT A Advice No. 6181-G

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Revised 61023-G	PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - PART VI - MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT, INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT, MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (IIJAMA), Sheet 2	Original 60718-G
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### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT - PART VI - MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT Sheet 1 <u>INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT</u> <u>MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (IIJAMA)</u>

#### 1. Purpose

The IIJAMA is an interest-bearing memorandum account that is recorded on the Utility's financial statements. Pursuant to Resolution E-5254, dated April 6, 2023, the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) authorized the framework and procedures as to how the Electric and Gas Investor-Owned Utility (IOUs) should seek cost recovery for projects seeking and/or awarded funding received from the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Clean Energy Infrastructure Grants Programs administered by the US Department of Energy (DOE), the federal Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), and the federal Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors and Science Act (CHIPS), as well as related tax liabilities. The IIJAMA may also track costs to apply for federal funding (e.g., grant awards, loans, or others program funds) and taxes for those awards. The resolution also adopts an advice letter process for IOUs to track and report costs and grant project progress.

The purpose of the IIJAMA is to record incremental costs for any projects seeking and/or awarded federal funding, including incremental costs incurred during the development and preparation of applications for such funding. In addition, the IIJAMA will record the tax impacts of the federal funding, which should include not only the tax liabilities related to those federal fundings, but also related tax benefits such as the impact of depreciation.

The IIJAMA shall consist of two subaccounts:

1) IIJA Cost Subaccount – This Subaccount will record incremental costs for any projects seeking and/or awarded federal funding.

2) IIJA Tax Subaccount – This Subaccount will record the tax impacts of the federal funding.

2. Applicability

The IIJAMA shall apply to all customers except those specifically excluded by the Commission.

3. Rates

The IIJAMA shall be applied to rates as described in the Disposition section below.

4. Accounting Procedures -- IIJA Cost Subaccount

SoCalGas shall maintain the IIJA Cost Subaccount 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 operation and maintenance (O&M) costs and capitalrelated costs (i.e., depreciation, taxes, and return) for any projects seeking and/or awarded federal funding, including incremental costs incurred for the development and preparation of applications for such funding;
- b. An entry to amortize the balance in this Subaccount as authorized by the Commission; and
- c. An entry equal to the interest on the average balance in this Subaccount at the beginning of the

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	month and the balance after the entries above at a rate equal to 1/12 of the interest rate on three- month nonfinancial Commercial Paper for the previous month, as reported in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, H.15, or its successor publication.	
5.	Accounting Procedures – IIJA Tax Subaccount	
	SoCalGas shall maintain the IIJA Tax Subaccount by recording entries at the end of each month as follows, net of FF&U, where applicable:	
	<ul> <li>a. A debit or credit entry equal to the tax impacts of the federal funding, including any related tax benefits;</li> <li>b. An entry to amortize the balance in this Subaccount as authorized by the Commission; and</li> <li>c. An entry equal to the interest on the average balance in this Subaccount at the beginning of the month and the balance after the entries above at a rate equal to 1/12 of the interest rate on three-month nonfinancial Commercial Paper for the previous month, as reported in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, H.15, or its successor publication.</li> </ul>	Т
6.	Disposition	
	The disposition of the balance in the IIJAMA will be addressed in SoCalGas next general rate case or other applicable proceeding.	
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