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Subject: September 2023 Buy-Back Rates

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From: Energy Division PAL Coordinator

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Advice No. 6196-G  
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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

**Subject: September 2023 Buy-Back Rates**

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits revisions to its tariff schedules, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown on Attachment A.

**Purpose**

This routine monthly submittal updates the Buy-Back Rates in Schedule No. G-IMB for September 2023.

**Background**

As authorized in Schedule No. G-IMB - Transportation Imbalance Service, the Buy-Back Rates are established effective the last day of each month.

The Buy-Back Rates will be the lower of 1) the lowest incremental cost of gas purchased by the Utility during the month the imbalance was incurred; or 2) 50% of the applicable Adjusted Core Procurement Charge, G-CPA, set forth in Schedule No. G-CP, during the month such excess imbalance was incurred.

**Information**

During the month of September, the lowest incremental cost of gas, which is 20.134 cents per therm, is lower than 50% of the Adjusted Core Procurement Charge, G-CPA. Therefore, the Buy-Back Rates for September 2023 are being revised accordingly. The work paper showing details of the calculation of these rates is incorporated herein as Attachment B.

The new rates are reflected in the attached Schedule No. G-IMB tariff sheets. Pursuant to Resolution G-3316, the September 2023 Standby Procurement Charges will be submitted by a separate Advice Letter at least one day prior to October 25, 2023.

**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 submitted electronically and must be received within 20 days after the date of this Advice Letter, which is October 19, 2023. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

E-mail: [EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto: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: [GLenart@socalgas.com](mailto:GLenart@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 disposition) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B and therefore respectfully requests that the tariff sheets submitted herein be made effective September 30, 2023, to coincide with SoCalGas' Adjusted Core Procurement Charge submittal in Advice No. 6184, dated August 31, 2023.

**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 213-244-2424.

*/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:**

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ATTACHMENT A  
Advice No. 6196-G

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Revised 61143-G	PRELIMINARY STATEMENT, PART II, SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES, Sheet 7	Revised 61068-G
Revised 61144-G	Schedule No. G-IMB, TRANSPORTATION IMBALANCE SERVICE, Sheet 2	Revised 61104-G
Revised 61145-G	Schedule No. G-IMB, TRANSPORTATION IMBALANCE SERVICE, Sheet 3	Revised 61070-G
Revised 61146-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS, Sheet 2	Revised 61108-G
Revised 61147-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS, Sheet 1	Revised 61139-G

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT  
 PART II  
SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES

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WHOLESALE (Continued)

Schedule GT-TLS (ECOGAS)

GT-12CA, Class-Average Volumetric Rate Option	
Volumetric Charge .....	4.635¢
GT-12RS, Reservation Rate Option	
Reservation Rate, per therm per day .....	1.455¢
Usage Charge, per therm .....	2.466¢
Volumetric Transportation Charge for Non-Bypass Customers .....	5.312¢
Volumetric Transportation Charge for Bypass Customers .....	6.236¢

PROCUREMENT CHARGE

Schedule G-CP

Non-Residential Core Procurement Charge, per therm .....	48.346¢
Non-Residential Cross-Over Rate, per therm .....	53.041¢
Residential Core Procurement Charge, per therm .....	48.346¢
Residential Cross-Over Rate, per therm .....	53.041¢
Adjusted Core Procurement Charge, per therm .....	48.136¢

IMBALANCE SERVICE

Standby Procurement Charge

Core Retail Standby (SP-CR)

July 2023 .....	106.770¢
August 2023 .....	90.345¢
September 2023 .....	TBD*

Noncore Retail Standby (SP-NR)

July 2023 .....	106.826¢
August 2023 .....	90.401¢
September 2023 .....	TBD*

Wholesale Standby (SP-W)

July 2023 .....	106.826¢
August 2023 .....	90.401¢
September 2023 .....	TBD*

\* To be determined (TBD). Pursuant to Resolution G-3316, the Standby Charges will be submitted by a separate advice letter at least one day prior to October 25.

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 PART II  
SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES

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IMBALANCE SERVICE (Continued)

Buy-Back Rate

Core and Noncore Retail (BR-R)

July 2023 .....	17.000¢
August 2023 .....	-10.000¢
September 2023 .....	20.134¢

Wholesale (BR-W)

July 2023 .....	17.000¢
August 2023 .....	-10.000¢
September 2023 .....	20.134¢

STORAGE SERVICE

Schedule G-BSS (Basic Storage Service)

Reservation Charges

Annual Inventory, per decatherm reserved .....	21.400¢/year
Annual Withdrawal, per decatherm/day reserved .....	\$11.584/year
Daily Injection, per decatherm/day reserved .....	9.425¢/day

In-Kind Energy Charge for quantity delivered for injection during the year

Rate, percent reduction .....	4.140%
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The In-Kind Energy Charge shall be adjusted as necessary on the basis of a three-year rolling average of actual fuel use.

Schedule G-AUC (Auction Storage Service)

Reservation Charges

Annual Inventory, per decatherm reserved .....	(1)
Annual Withdrawal, per decatherm/day reserved .....	(1)
Daily Injection, per decatherm/day reserved .....	(1)

(1) Charge shall be equal to the awarded price bid by the customer.

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Schedule No. G-IMB  
TRANSPORTATION IMBALANCE SERVICE

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RATES (Continued)

Standby Procurement Charge

This charge is applied to customer's cumulative negative transportation imbalance (confirmed transportation deliveries less actual usage) exceeding the 8 percent tolerance band. The Standby Procurement Charge is posted at least one day in advance of each corresponding imbalance trading period for noncore/wholesale and core transport agents (CTAs). It is calculated at 150% of the highest daily border price index at the Southern California border beginning on the first day of the month that the imbalance is created to five days prior to the start of each corresponding imbalance trading period plus a Brokerage Fee of 0.266¢ per therm for noncore retail service and all wholesale service, and 0.210¢ per therm for core retail service. The highest daily border price index is an average of the highest prices from "Natural Gas Intelligence's (NGI's) Daily Gas Price Index – Southern California Border Average" and "SNL Energy's Daily Indices – SoCal Border."

Core Retail Service:

SP-CR Standby Rate, per therm

July 2023 .....	106.770¢	D
August 2023 .....	90.345¢	T
September 2023 .....	TBD*	T

Noncore Retail Service:

SP-NR Standby Rate, per therm

July 2023 .....	106.826¢	D
August 2023 .....	90.401¢	T
September 2023 .....	TBD*	T

Wholesale Service:

SP-W Standby Rate per therm

July 2023 .....	106.826¢	D
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TRANSPORTATION IMBALANCE SERVICE

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RATES (Continued)

Buy-Back Rate

This rate is applied to customer's cumulative positive transportation imbalance (confirmed transportation deliveries less actual usage) exceeding the 8 percent tolerance band. The Buy-Back Rate is established effective the last day of each month and will be the lower of 1) the lowest incremental cost of gas purchased by the Utility during the month the excess imbalance was incurred; or 2) 50% of the applicable Adjusted Core Procurement Charge, G-CPA, set forth in Schedule No. G-CP, during the month such excess imbalance was incurred.

Retail Service:

BR-R Buy-Back Rate, per therm

July 2023 .....	17.000¢	D
August 2023 .....	-10.000¢	I
September 2023 .....	20.134¢	

Wholesale Service:

BR-W Buy-Back Rate, per ther

July 2023 .....	17.000¢	D
August 2023 .....	-10.000¢	I
September 2023 .....	20.134¢	

If the incremental cost of gas is the basis for the Standby or Buy-Back Rates, the Utility will provide CPUC the necessary work papers for such cost. Such documentation will be provided under confidentiality pursuant to General Order 66-C and Section 583 of the Public Utilities Code.

Daily Balancing Standby Rates

When a Stage 5 Low Operational Flow Order (Low OFO) or Emergency Flow Order (EFO) is declared, quantities not in compliance with the daily imbalance tolerance are purchased at the daily balancing standby rate. When a curtailment is declared, quantities determined by the Utility to be in violation of curtailment are charged (not purchased) at the daily balancing standby rate. There will be no commodity transfer to the curtailed customer in return for receiving this charge. The daily balancing standby rate is not applicable to High OFOs.

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ATTACHMENT B

ADVICE NO. 6196-G

RATE CALCULATION WORKPAPER  
BASED ON ADVICE NO. 6184-G  
ADJUSTED CORE PROCUREMENT CHARGE SUBMITTAL  
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

Adjusted Core Procurement Charge:

**Retail G-CPA:** **48.136** ¢ per therm  
( WACOG: 47.352 ¢ + Franchise and Uncollectibles:  
0.784 ¢ or [ 1.6564% \* 47.352 ¢ ] )

**Wholesale G-CPA:** **48.011** ¢ per therm  
( WACOG: 47.352 ¢ + Franchise:  
0.659 ¢ or [ 1.3911% \* 47.352 ¢ ] )

Lowest incremental cost of gas purchased during September 2023 is  
**20.134** cents/therm, which is lower than the following:

GIMB Buy-Back Rates

**BR-R** = 50% of Retail G-CPA:  
50% \* 48.136 cents/therm = **24.068** cents/therm

**BR-W** = 50% of Wholesale G-CPA:  
50% \* 48.011 cents/therm = **24.006** cents/therm

Therefore, The Buy Back Rates Are: **BR-R = 20.134** cents/therm  
**BR-W = 20.134** cents/therm