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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.

The AL status certificate indicates:

- Advice Letter Number
- Name of Filer
- CPUC Corporate ID number of Filer
- Subject of Filing
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The Energy Division has made no changes to your copy of the Advice Letter Filing; please review your Advice Letter Filing with the information contained in the AL status certificate, and update your Advice Letter and tariff records accordingly.

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Energy Division's Tariff Unit by e-mail to
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November 1, 2023

Advice No. 6218-G
(U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Notice of SoCalGas's Revenue Requirement and Uncollectible Expense Rate Effective January 1, 2024

Purpose

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby notifies the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) through this Tier 1 Advice Letter (AL) its intent to keep the 2024 General Rate Case (GRC) revenue requirement and uncollectible expense rate constant.

Background

In its Decision (D.) 19-09-051, adopting SoCalGas's and San Diego Gas & Electric Company's (SDG&E) Test Year 2019 General Rate Case (GRC), the Commission ordered SoCalGas and SDG&E to each submit Tier 1 ALs with updates to their Post-Test Year (PTY) revenue requirements. Ordering Paragraph (OP) 5 specifically states: "Tier 1 Advice Letters are to be [submitted] on November 1, 2020, to adjust the revenue requirement for 2021 beginning on January 1, 2021."¹

Pursuant to Finding of Fact (FOF) 150 of D.19-09-051, SoCalGas and SDG&E are to provide a 10-year rolling average of historical uncollectible rates annually. FOF 150 specifically states: "A 10-year rolling average of historical uncollectible rates starting from 2007 to 2016 with adjustments to occur annually by advice letter is reasonable."

Pursuant to OP 6 of D.21-05-003, in order to:

[A]djust the revenue requirement for 2022, SoCalGas shall [submit] a Tier 1 advice letter on or before November 1, 2021 to update its revenue requirement for January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. Similarly, SoCalGas shall [submit] a Tier 1 advice letter on or before November 1, 2022 to update its revenue requirement for January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

¹ Ordering Paragraph (OP) 5 of D.19-09-051.

Additionally, and included herein, pursuant to OP 18 of D.19-09-051, SoCalGas is required to “update [its] respective uncollectible expense rate for Post-Test Years 2020 and 2021 by [submitting] respective annual Tier 1 Advice Letters to the Commission’s Energy Division.”²

Discussion

SoCalGas is currently in the TY 2024 GRC process with an expected proposed decision in the 2nd quarter of 2024.³ As such, the 2024 gas revenue requirements/base margin will reflect the 2023 revenue requirements implemented in SoCalGas’s AL 6071. Pursuant to D.19-09-051, AL 6044, and D.22-12-031, SoCalGas’s 2023 revenue requirement provides a gas base margin revenue requirement of \$3,275 million with FF&U, net of miscellaneous revenue and the cost of capital adjustment.

In AL 6044,⁴ SoCalGas updated its uncollectible expense rate to 0.261% for PTY 2023 using the 10-year average of historical data (2011-2020). SoCalGas is holding the 0.261% uncollectible expense rate constant for 2024, effective for January 1, 2024, until a final decision in its TY 2024 GRC is implemented and will update its uncollectable rate in accordance with the final decision.

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 November 21, 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: GLenart@socalgas.com
E-mail: Tariffs@socalgas.com

² Although D.19-09-051 orders an update of the Uncollectable Rate for PTY 2020 and 2021 specifically, the Decision adopts a 10-year rolling average of historical uncollectable rates “with adjustments to occur annually by advice letter. . . as opposed to a single uncollectable rate set for the entire GRC period.” D.19-09-051 at 336.

³ See A.22-05-015.

⁴ AL 6044 was submitted on October 11, 2022 and approved by the Commission on November 14, 2022.

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. Therefore, SoCalGas respectfully requests that this submittal be approved and made effective November 1, 2023, the date submitted.

Notice

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to SoCalGas's General Order (GO) 96-B service list and the Commission's service lists in A.17-10-008 and A.22-05-015. Address change requests to the GO 96-B service list should be directed via e-mail to Tariffs@socalgas.com or call 213-244-2424. For changes to all other service lists, please contact the Commission's Process Office at 415-703-2021 or via e-mail at Process_office@cpuc.ca.gov.

/s/ Joseph Mock

Joseph Mock

Director – Regulatory Affairs



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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San Francisco, CA 94102
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