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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Quarterly Summary of Medium-Large Commercial and Industrial Customers Participating in the COVID-19 Disconnection Moratorium – October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023

Purpose

In compliance with Ordering Paragraph (OP) 2 of Decision (D.) 21-04-015, Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits this Advice Letter to provide a quarterly report to the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission or CPUC) summarizing the number of medium-large commercial and industrial customers participating in the COVID-19 disconnection moratorium and the financial amount of the under-collected and unpaid bills that have accrued, from October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Background

On December 21, 2020, the Commission initiated an expedited Phase 3 of the Rulemaking (R.) 18-03-011 proceeding to provide disaster relief for medium-large commercial and industrial investor-owned utility (IOU) customers, at a time when the coronavirus remains prevalent.

On April 19, 2021, the Commission adopted a COVID-19 disconnection moratorium for medium-large commercial and industrial customers of California's four large IOUs: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), Southern California Edison Company (SCE), San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E), and SoCalGas.¹ Pursuant to OP 2 of D.21-04-015, the four large IOUs are directed to each submit quarterly reports to the Energy Division via a Tier 1 Advice Letter summarizing the number of medium-large commercial and industrial customers participating in the COVID-19 disconnection moratorium and the financial amount of the under-collected and nonpayment bills that have accrued within 15 days of the last day of each quarter.

¹ See D.21-04-015, OP 6.

Compliance Reporting

Reporting Requirement	Data as of December 31, 2023
Number of Medium-Large Commercial and Industrial Customers Participating in the COVID-19 Disconnection Moratorium as of December 31, 2023 ^{2,3}	225
Total Arrearage Amount of Medium-Large Commercial and Industrial Customers Participating in the COVID-19 Disconnection Moratorium as of December 31, 2023 (greater than 30 days)	\$3,980,262.36
Total Amount Recorded in the Medium-Large Commercial and Industrial COVID-19 Disconnection Moratorium Memorandum Account (CDMMA) as of December 31, 2023 ⁴	\$0

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 February 1, 2024. 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 Number of SoCalGas' Medium-Large Commercial and Industrial Customers on an active payment plan.

³ On July 6, 2021, Energy Division clarified that "the M/L customers who should be included in the first quarterly report are all non-residential core customers ...who are enrolled and current on a payment plan as of June 29, 2021."

⁴ SoCalGas has not recorded any costs in the Medium-Large Commercial and Industrial COVID-19 Disconnection Moratorium Memorandum Account. SoCalGas' Advice No. 5810-A established the CDMMA to record expenses for medium-large commercial and industrial customers during the COVID-19 disconnection moratorium from December 30, 2020 through September 30, 2021, approved by the Commission on October 12, 2021.

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 and OP 2 of D.21-04-015. Therefore, SoCalGas respectfully requests that this submittal be approved and made effective January 12, 2024, the date submitted.

Notice

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 R.18-03-011. 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
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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 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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Attention: Tariff Unit
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
Email: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

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Utility Name:
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