

Joseph Mock
Director
Regulatory Affairs

April 15, 2024

Advice No. 6295-G (U 904 G)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Bill Format Update in Accordance with Public Utility Code (PUC) 739

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for approval with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revisions to its tariffs, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown in Attachment A.

Purpose

This submittal effectuates the updates to SoCalGas's residential bill format to include a graphical visual representation of usage and costs to continue to support efforts in minimizing residential bill volatility, as previously required by PUC 739, most recently updated by Senate Bill (SB) 711 to address modified baseline seasons, while also improving SoCalGas's residential customer experience to receive bills that are simple and transparent.

Background

SB 711, approved on October 3, 2017, required the Commission to make efforts to minimize bill volatility for residential customers, including modifying the length of baseline seasons or defining additional baseline seasons. SoCalGas's proposal for implementing SB 711 were adopted in D.20-02-045, which addressed SoCalGas's Triennial Cost Allocation Proceeding, A.18-07-024. SoCalGas implemented its billing modifications to implement the modified baseline seasons on September 17, 2021. SoCalGas has continued to work on enhancements to its business processes and systems to support compliance with the regulatory mandates of PUC 739. Included as part of these enhancements is the creation of a new cost graph showing the cost per tier, baseline and over baseline values.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB711.

¹ SB 711 (Hill, 2017), available at:

² D.20-02-045, at 3.

On November 7, 2022, SoCalGas submitted Advice Letter (AL) 6056 requesting to update its bill format to include a graphical visual representation of usage and costs to continue to support efforts in minimizing residential bill volatility, supporting improvements to SoCalGas's residential customer experience to receive bills that are simple and transparent. Given the efforts to implement this update, AL 6056 stated that a separate Tier 1 AL would be submitted to effectuate the updated bill format with the informational graphic prior to its implementation in residential customer bills. AL 6056 was approved with an effective date of December 7, 2022. This AL submission is to effectuate that update.

Tariff Revisions

SoCalGas's bill format update incorporates a new informational graphic as part of the billing information presented, providing a visual representation of usage and cost per tier and usage comparison on the residential customer billing statement. This "speedometer" graphic is intended to help simplify residential customer bills making data more transparent, and furthermore facilitates minimizing bill volatility for residential customers. This informational graphic will be applicable to SoCalGas customer bills under the GR, GM, and GS rates. The updated bill format, which replaces SoCalGas's Bill Forms – General Service Sample Form, is provided in Attachment A.

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 May 5, 2024. Protests should be submitted to the attention of the Energy Division Tariff Unit at:

E-mail: <u>EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov</u>

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

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 April 15, 2024, the date submitted.

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Notice

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to SoCalGas' General Order (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 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

Attachments





California Public Utilities Commission

ADVICE LETTER UMMARY



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MUST BE COMPLETED BY UT	ILITY (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 WATER = Water	(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)					
Advice Letter (AL) #:	Tier Designation:					
Subject of AL:						
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing):						
AL Type: Monthly Quarterly Annu-						
if AL submitted in compliance with a Commissi	on order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:					
Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL?	f so, identify the prior AL:					
Summarize differences between the AL and th	e prior withdrawn or rejected AL:					
Confidential treatment requested? Yes No						
	nation: vailable to appropriate parties who execute a ontact information to request nondisclosure agreement/					
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 attach (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agrical)	nment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes ultural, lighting).					
Tariff schedules affected:						
Service affected and changes proposed ^{1:}						
Pending advice letters that revise the same ta	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: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

Name:

Title:

Utility Name: Address:

City: State:

Telephone (xxx) xxx-xxxx: Facsimile (xxx) xxx-xxxx:

Email:

Name:

Title:

Utility Name:

Address:

City: State:

Telephone (xxx) xxx-xxxx: Facsimile (xxx) xxx-xxxx:

Email:

ATTACHMENT A Advice No. 6295-G

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
Revised 61727-G	SAMPLE FORMS, Bill Forms, General Service (04/24), Sheet 1	Revised 59336-G
Revised 61728-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Revised 59921-G
Revised 61729-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS, Sheet 1	Revised 61722-G

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY

Revised 61727-G CAL. P.U.C. SHEET NO. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA CANCELING Revised CAL. P.U.C. SHEET NO. 59336-G

SAMPLE FORMS Bill Forms	Sheet 1
<u>Bill Forms</u> General Service (04/24)	
(See Attached Form)	

(TO BE INSERTED BY UTILITY) ADVICE LETTER NO. 6295-G DECISION NO. 20-02-045

ISSUED BY Dan Skopec Senior Vice President Regulatory Affairs

(TO BE INSERTED BY CAL. PUC) Apr 15, 2024 SUBMITTED Apr 15, 2024 EFFECTIVE RESOLUTION NO.



ACCOUNT NUMBER 987 654 3210 4 SERVICE FOR JOHN Q SMITH 2345 SOCALGAS AVE LOS ANGELES CA 99999

1-800-427-2200 English 1-800-342-4545 Español 1-800-252-0259 TTY

DATE MAILED Nov 9, 2023

M-F, 7am-8pm Sat, 7am-6pm 24 Hour Emergency Services Available

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Account Summary

Amount of Last Bill			\$60.05
Payment Received	10/28/23	THANK YOU	- 60.05
Current Charges			+ 70.08
Total Amount Due			\$70.08

Current Charges

Rate: GR - Residential Climate Zone: 1 Baseline Allowance: 30 Therms Cycle: 10 Meter Number: 09612355 (Next scheduled read date Dec 9 2023)

Billing Period	Days	Meter Number	Current Reading	Previous Reading	=	Difference	Billing x Factor	BTU x Factor	-	Total Therms
10/09/23- 11/08/23	30	09612355	9841	9794		47	1.000	1.033		48

GAS CHARGES		Amount(\$)
Customer Charge	30 Days x \$.16438	4.93

Gas Transportation (Details below)

48 Therms **Baseline** Over Baseline 30 18 Therms used Rate/Therm \$.96806 \$.63566 + \$ 17.43 \$ 19.07 36.50 18.26 Gas Commodity 48 Therms x \$.38041

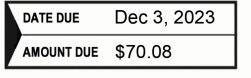
Total Gas Charges \$59.69

SoCalGas' gas commodity cost per therm for your billing period: Nov......\$.41230 Oct......\$.34851

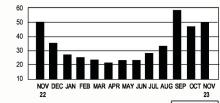
TAXES & FEES ON GAS CHARGES		Amount(\$)
State Regulatory Fee	48 Therms x \$.00166	.08
Public Purpose Surcharge	48 Therms x \$.10060	4.83
Los Angeles City Users Tax	\$54.76 x 10.00%	5 48

Total Taxes and Fees on Gas Charges \$10.39

Total Current Charges \$70.08

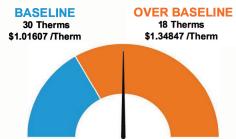


Usage History (Total Therms used)



Nov 22	Oct 23	Nov 23
50	45	48
1.7	1.6	1.6
30	29	30
	50 1.7	50 45 1.7 1.6

Your Usage: 48 Therms



The pricing illustrated above represents cost per therm for Baseline and Over Baseline. Actual prices may vary as some credits, discounts and taxes are not added.

CARE to save 20% off your monthly bill? Visit socalgas.com/CARE to learn more.

¿Quiere ahorrar un 20% en su factura mensual? Visite socalgas.com/careparami para más información.

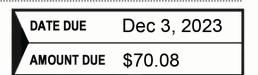
PLEASE KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS. (FAVOR DE GUARDAR ESTA PARTE PARA SUS REGISTROS.)

PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT. (FAVOR DE DEVOLVER ESTA PARTE CON SU PAGO.)



Save Paper & Postage
PAY ONLINE
socalgas.com

ACCOUNT NUMBER 987 654 3210 4



Please enter amount enclosed.



Write account number on check and make payable to SoCalGas.

JOHN Q SMITH 2345 SOCALGAS AVE LOS ANGELES CA 99999

SoCalGas PO BOX C MONTEREY PARK CA 91756-5111 DATE DUE

AMOUNT DUE

Dec 3, 2023

\$70.0**8**

Request a large print bill: **1-877-238-0092**

DATE MAILED Nov 9, 2023

1-800-427-2200 English 1-800-342-4545 Español 1-800-252-0259 TTY

M-F, 7am-8pm Sat, 7am-6pm 24 Hour Emergency Services Available

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SoCalGas Policies and Notices

Electronic Check Processing - When you pay your bill by check, you authorize us to electronically process your payment. If your check is processed electronically, your checking account may be debited on the same day we receive the check. Your check will not be returned by your bank, however, the transaction will appear on your bank statement. If you do not wish to participate in this program, please have your account number ready and call 1-877-272-3303.

Closing your Gas Service - We require two (2) working days and access to the meter to close your gas service.

Information about Deposits - Non-Residential accounts only Amount of Deposit - The amount of deposit required to establish or re-establish service credit is twice the estimated average periodic bill.

Return of Deposit/Interest on Deposit - This deposit, together with any interest due, less the amount of any unpaid bills, will normally be returned either on discontinuance of service or after the deposit has been held for twelve (12) consecutive months, during which time continuous gas service has been received and all bills for such service have been paid in accordance with the rules in effect and filed with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California. No Interest will be paid if the service is temporarily or permanently discontinued for non-payment of bills.

Billing Term Definitions

Baseline - Amount of gas billed at the lowest residential rate.

Billing Factor - Adjusts the amount of gas measured for differences in delivery pressure, altitude, and meter calibration.

BTU Factor - Adjusts the amount of gas measured to reflect the heating content of gas.

Climate Zone - Weather zone in which a customer lives. Colder zones receive more baseline allowance.

State Regulatory Fee - A fee used to fund the California Public Utilities Commission. Each customer's fee is determined by the number of therms used.

Gas Commodity Charge - Cost of gas purchased by SoCalGas on behalf of its customers.

Public Purpose Surcharge - Charge to fund Public Purpose Programs such as California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE), Energy Savings Assistance Program (ESAP), energy efficiency and research and development. CARE customers pay a reduced surcharge which excludes CARE program costs.

Public Utilities Commission Notice - If you believe there is an error on your bill or have a question about your service, please call SoCalGas customer support at (800) 427-2200.

If you are not satisfied with SoCalGas response, submit a complaint to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) by visiting www.cpuc.ca.gov/complaints/. Billing and service complaints are handled by the CPUC s Consumer Affairs Branch (CAB), 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2003, San Francisco CA 94102. phone:800-649-7570.

If you have limitations hearing or speaking, dial 711 to reach the California Relay Service, which is for those needing assistance relaying telephone conversations. Dial one of the numbers below to be routed to the California Relay Service provider in your preferred mode of communication.

California Relay Service Phone Numbers:

Type of Call	Language	Toll-Free 800 Number
TTY/VCO/HCO to Voice	English	1-800-735-2929
	Spanish	1-800-855-3000
Voice to TTY/VCO/HCO	English	1-800-735-2922
	Spanish	1-800-855-3000
From or to Speech-to-Speech	English & Spanish	1-800-854-7784

To avoid having service turned off while waiting for the outcome of a complaint to the CPUC specifically regarding the accuracy of your bill, please contact CAB for assistance. If your case meets the eligibility criteria, CAB will provide you instructions on how to mail a check or money order to be impounded pending resolution of your case. You must continue to pay your current charges while your complaint is under review to keep your service turned on.

Other Important Phone Numbers



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For the following, call

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.:

粵語: 1-800-427-1420 한국어: 1-800-427-0471 國語: 1-800-427-1429 Tiếng Việt 1-800-427-0478

Self Service Options available 24

Contact 811 two days before digging to have utility-owned lines identified and marked. Visit **socalgas.com/811** or dial 811.

Payment Options \$

Online: Register or sign into MyAccount at

myaccount.socalgas.com.

Home banking: Pay through your banking institution.

Direct Debit: Print application at **socalgas.com** or call 1-800-427-2200 for an application by mail.

Pay by Phone: If already enrolled, call 1-800-427-2700 to authorize a payment.

By Mail: Mail your check or money order, along with the payment stub in the enclosed envelope.

Debit/Credit Card or Electronic Check: Accepts credit/debit cards, VISA, Mastercard, and Discover or Electronic Checking/Savings. A convenience fee is charged, contact BillMatrix at 1-800-232-6629 or visit socalgas.com/WaysToPay.

In Person: Visit socalgas.com/Locations.

SoCalGas Payment Locations

Authorized Payment Agencies - Call the Self Service Options number 1-800-772-5050 for the addresses of payment agencies in your area.

Company Offices - Business Hours: Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm

Alhambra, 333 E. Main St. Suite J
Anaheim, 716 S. State College Blvd.
Banning, 60 E. Ramsey St. #A
Commerce, 5708 E. Whittier Blvd.
Compton, 700 N. Long Beach Blvd.
Cornoa, 341 S. Lincoln Ave. #A
Covina, 932 N. Citrus Ave.
Delano, 1227 Jefferson St.
Dinuba, 239 E. Tulare St.
El Centro, 1111 W. Main St.
El Centro, 1111 W. Main St.
El Monte, 11912 Valley Blvd., Suite B
Fontana, 9781 Sierra Ave. #C
Glendale, 919 S. Central Ave. #B
Hanford, 420 N. 11th Ave. #105
Hemet, 280 E. Stetson Ave.

Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm

Hollywood, 1811 Hillhurst Ave.
Huntington Park, 5916 Pacific Blvd.
Indio, 45123 Towne Ave.
Inglewood, 3530 W. Century Blvd. Ste. 102
Lancaster, 2065 W. Avenue K
Lompoc, 128 S. "H" St.
Los Angeles, 3739 Crenshaw Blvd. #C
Los Angeles, 4619 S. Central Ave.
Los Angeles, 2522 N. Daly St.
Ontario, 962 N. Mountain Ave.
Oxnard, 1640 E. Gonzales Rd.
Passadena, 1214 E. Green St. #102
Pomona, 196 E. 3rd St.
Porterville, 59 W. Thurman Ave.

Riverside, 7000 Indiana Ave. #105

San Bemardino, 1136 N. Mount Vernon Ave. #305
San Femando, 444 S. Brand Blvd. Suite 101
San Luis Obispo, 2240 Emily St. Suite 140
San Pedro, 1851 N. Gaffey St. Suite A
Santa Ana, 738 S. Harbor Blvd.
Santa Barbara, 134 E. Victoria St.
Santa Fe Springs, 11516 Telegraph Rd.
Santa Maria, 550 E. Betteravia Rd. Suite B
South Gate, 3530 Tweedy Blvd.
Van Nuys, 6550 Van Nuys Blvd.
Visalia, 1305 E. Noble Ave.
Watts, 1665 E. 103rd St.
Wilmington, 929 N. Avalon Blvd.

Drop Box LocationBurbank, Public Service Department, 164 W. Magnolia Blvd.

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