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RESOLUTION: G-2681
EVALUATION & COMPLIANCE DIVISION
BRANCH: Service & Safety
DATE: June 25, 1986

R E S O L U T I O N

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO
REVISE ITS GAS METER PERFORMANCE CONTROL PROGRAM

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PGandE) routinely installs and replaces its gas meters based upon a statistical sampling program (The Gas Meter Performance Control Program or Program). This Program was authorized by the Commission as a deviation from its Gas Service Standard (General Order 58-A).^{1/} This standard requires meter removal at fixed ten year intervals, while the program allows groups of small gas meters to remain in service as long as they are accurate.

By letter dated March 20, 1986 Pacific Gas and Electric Company requested authorization to: (1) add meters in the 300 cubic feet per hour to 500 cubic feet per hour range to the Program, and, (2) eliminate a Program requirement to submit Supplemental Reports.

The Service and Safety Branch has reviewed the supporting data provided by the utility. The Branch concludes that the requested revisions are reasonable and will reduce expenses. Adding 300-500 cubic feet per hour meters to the Program will save an estimated \$280,000 per year. By this change, such meters may stay in service beyond the 10-year change-out program provided by the Commission's General Order 58-A.

The Commission finds that the requested authorization is reasonable.

^{1/}Resolution No. G-1569, dated December 13, 1972.

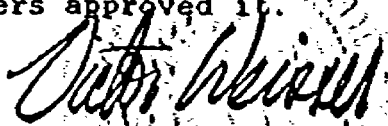
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THEREFORE:

Authorization is granted to include the 300-500 cubic feet per hour meters in the Gas Meter Performance Control Program and to eliminate the Supplemental Report presently required as an addendum to the annual Small Gas Meter Removal Plan.

The resolution is effective today.

I certify that this resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission, at its regular meeting held on June 25, 1986. The following Commissioners approved it.



Executive Director

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