

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMISSION ADVISORY & COMPLIANCE DIVISION
ENERGY BRANCHRESOLUTION NO. G-2795
AUGUST 10, 1988R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION G-2795, PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY
AUTHORIZED TO INCREASE ITS RATES FOR STEAM SERVICE BY
17.9 PERCENT.

Advice Letter 90-H, filed May 25, 1988

SUMMARY

Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) filed this Advice Letter (AL) to increase its rates for steam service by 17.9 per cent to reflect the increased costs of fuel used to generate the steam, and to recover the undercollection in the Fuel Cost Adjustment (FCA) balancing account. The last rate increase for steam service became effective April 1, 1986. PG&E's request is granted.

BACKGROUND

1. PG&E provides steam service to approximately 200 customers in portions of the City and County of San Francisco.
2. Since the last rate increase for steam service on April 1, 1986, the cost of natural gas, the fuel used to generate the steam, has increased from \$0.28701 per therm to \$0.30151 per therm.
3. As of February 29, 1988 the FCA balancing account was undercollected in the amount of \$105,325.

DISCUSSION

1. Increased natural gas costs have resulted in the undercollection recorded in the Fuel Cost Adjustment (FCA) balancing account.

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2. The Commission Advisory and Compliance Division (CACD) has reviewed this filing and finds that PG&E's request correctly reflects the higher fuel costs and is therefore reasonable.
3. PG&E proposes to recover the undercollection in the FCA balancing account over a 24 month period. CACD has no objection to this proposal.
4. PG&E notified the affected customers of this proposed rate increase by mail on June 10, 1988.
5. No protests to this Advice Letter have been received.

FINDINGS

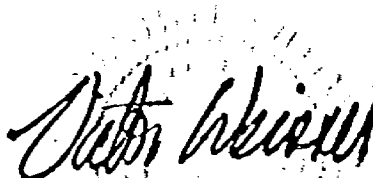
1. The requested increase in rates for steam service is reasonable.

THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Pacific Gas & Electric Company is authorized under General Order 96-A to file revisions to its tariffs to reflect the increases authorized.
2. Advice Letter 90-H, and accompanying tariff sheets shall be marked to show that there were authorized by Resolution G-2795 and became effective August 10, 1988.
3. This Resolution shall be effective today.

I certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on August 10, 1988. The following Commissioners approved it:

STANLEY W. HULETT
President
DONALD VIAL
FREDERICK R. DUDA
G. MITCHELL WILK
JOHN B. OHANIAN
Commissioners



Executive Director