

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
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PAGE NO. 1 EFFECTIVE 8/1/69SUBJECT: ABANDONMENT OF GAS MAINS AND SERVICES,
AND CUTTING AND CAPPING INACTIVE SERVICESPURPOSE

- *1. To establish methods and procedures to be used in abandoning Company gas mains and services, and in cutting and capping services in conformance with the requirements of CPUC G.O. 112-C (Section 192.727), and CPUC G.O. 58-A (paragraph 6a).

RESPONSIBILITY

2. Each Division Gas Superintendent shall be responsible for the administration of this Standard Practice.

DEFINITIONS

3. Abandoned pipes are defined as all pieces or sections of mains or services remaining in the ground after being permanently disconnected from the active gas system and removed from plant.

POLICY4. Abandonment of Mains and Services

- a. Mains and services shall be abandoned when their function is performed by another main or service.
- b. Mains and services shall be abandoned at any time it is decided that they no longer serve any present or foreseeable use.

5. Cutting and Capping of Services

- *a. A service shall be cut and capped at or outside the property line within 120 days after the Company becomes aware of the destruction, demolition or removal of the structure being supplied, unless a new structure is started within this period and the same service will be used to supply this new structure. If there is reason to believe that the service will be utilized within one year, it may be cut and capped near the street side of the property line. If the service is not used by the end of the second year, it shall be abandoned at the first reasonable opportunity by cutting and capping at the main.
- b. Inactive services or stubs shall not be transferred to other mains if the original main is abandoned unless there is evidence that the service will be used within one year.
- c. Records of inactive services and stubs shall be reviewed periodically to decide if the facility should be abandoned, removed, or cut and capped for safety.

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PROCEDURE

- 6. Abandonment details are contained in the Supplement to this Standard Practice.

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	Division Gas Superintendents	Gas Construction Department
	District Managers	Safety, Health and Claims Dept.
	District Gas Superintendents	Managers, Gas Operations

ADDITIONAL COPIES: Additional copies of this Standard Practice may be obtained from Gas Operations, 77 Beale, San Francisco (Ext. 1604).

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