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ACCEPTANCE OF A PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY  
(PG&E) ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT TARIFF FILING WHICH  
ESTABLISHES RATES FOR SERVICE TO STEEL PRODUCERS

By Advice Letter 923-E, filed December 21, 1982, PG&E requests authority to place into effect tariff schedules which would establish Schedule AS-23, Firm Service to Steel Producers, Schedule AS-18, Interruptible Service to Steel Producers, and a Steel Surcharge Adjustment Clause (SAAC) rate, which would be applied to all non-residential and non-public agency customers.

Special rates for service to steel producers originated from Chapter 1566, California Statutes of 1982 (Senate Bill 1547), which added Section 742 to the Public Utilities Code. Section 742 prescribes rates for steel producers of 70% of the system average for firm service and 55% of the system average for interruptible service. Section 742 requires any revenue shortfall associated with special steel producers' tariff schedules to be made up by increasing rates charged other non-residential customers, excluding public agencies.

By letter of January 13, 1983, the Ad Hoc Committee of California Steel Energy Consumers requests that the Commission authorize the rates. The Committee also indicated its desire to participate in any future discussions the Commission may wish to have regarding interruptible service.

Further consideration of the criteria for interruptions and penalty for non-compliance appears appropriate. The staff should continue informal discussions with the utilities and steel energy consumers and report to the Commission by March 16, 1983, on the status of these discussions.

Copies of this filing have been sent to other utilities and to all interested parties who have requested them.

The Staff of the Rate Design and Economics Branch has reviewed this filing and concludes that it complies with the provisions of Senate Bill 1547.

IT IS RESOLVED that:

1. Authority is granted under Sections 454 and 532 of the Public Utilities Code for Pacific Gas and Electric Company to place the foregoing tariff filing into effect today.