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RESOLUTION: E-2053

EVALUATION & COMPLIANCE DIVISION

BRANCH: Energy

DATE: August 7, 1985

R E S O L U T I O N

ORDER AUTHORIZING PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (PG&E) TO ESTABLISH AN ALTERNATIVE GENERAL SERVICE RATE FOR MEDIUM LIGHT AND POWER CUSTOMERS, TO REPLACE SCHEDULE A-12

By Advice Letter No. 1065-E, filed April 1, 1985, and by Advice Letter No. 1065-E-Supplemental, filed June 7, 1985, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) requests authorization to establish an alternative general service rate, Schedule No. A-10 -- Alternative Rate For Medium-Use Customers, to replace Schedule A-12. The facts are as follows:

1. This advice letter filing proposes a new general service rate, Schedule No. A-10, for medium light and power customers. This filing follows the Commission's action in PG&E's last General Rate Case in Decision No. 83-12-068 dated December 22, 1983 in Application No. 82-12-048 whereby Schedule No. A-12 -- Demand Metered General Service was closed to new customers, and on January 1, 1986 the schedule will be eliminated.
2. Small and medium light and power customers with demands below 500 kilowatts are served on either Schedule No. A-1 -- General Service, or Schedule No. A-12 -- Demand Metered General Service. Since Decision 83-12-068 ordered Schedule A-12 closed to new customers, an alternative rate which would provide an equitable option to new medium light and power customers and provide an easy means of transition from Schedule A-12 is needed.
3. This new rate should not impose significant hardware costs on PG&E nor cause large-scale inter-class migration from Schedule A-1. Advice Letter 1065-E-Supplemental revises original Advice Letter 1065-E wherein the proposed Alternative Rate for Medium-Use Customers, Schedule A-10, will include a demand charge. PG&E has included provisions for power factor adjustments consistent with PG&E's other demand-metered tariffs.
4. Proposed Schedule A-10 contains a two-part demand and energy tariff. This complies with a request by the Commission Staff that demand charges be incorporated into the proposed rate.

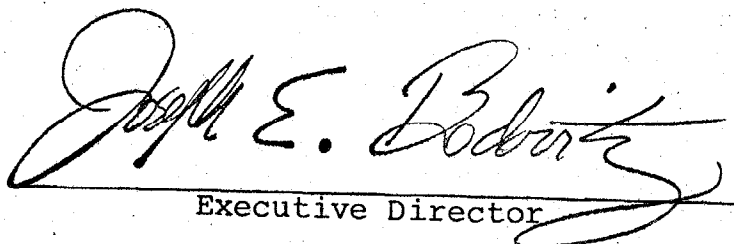
5. PG&E proposes to have Schedule A-12 extended to January 1, 1987. This will provide an adequate transition period for existing A-12 customers to be placed on the appropriate rate schedule. In addition, Schedule A-12's expiration on January 1, 1987 will allow for coordination with the 1987 General Rate Case decision.
6. Except as noted above, this filing will not increase any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with other schedules or rules.
7. Public notification of this filing has been made by mailing copies of the advice letter and supplemental filing to other utilities and to governmental agencies. The Commission Staff has reviewed one letter of protest and all issues of the protest have been resolved.
8. The staff of the Energy Branch of the Evaluation and Compliance Division has reviewed this filing and recommends its approval.]

THEREFORE:

1. Pacific Gas and Electric Company is authorized by Sections 451 and 491 of the Public Utilities Code and Section X.A. of General Order 96-A to place Advice Letter 1065-E and Advice Letter 1065-E-Supplemental into effect today.
2. PG&E is further authorized to extend the expiration date of existing Schedule A-12 to January 1, 1987.
3. The above advice letter and supplemental filing and their accompanying tariff sheets shall be mailed to show that they were acceptable for filing by Commission Resolution No. E-2053. This resolution is effective today.

I certify that this resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on August 7, 1985. The following Commissioners approved it:

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