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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EVALUATION & COMPLIANCE DIVISION
Energy Branch

RESOLUTION E-3022
March 6, 1987

RESOLUTION

ORDER AUTHORIZING PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (PG&E) TO
MODIFY ITS ELECTRIC SCHEDULES FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM LIGHT AND
POWER SO THAT THEY ARE NOT APPLICABLE TO AGRICULTURAL
CUSTOMERS.

By Advice Letter No. 1139-E, filed February 10, 1987, PG&E submitted for filing revisions to its small and medium light and power schedules to prevent their use by agricultural customers.

BACKGROUND

1. Decision No. 86-12-091, dated December 29, 1986, ordered changes in several of PG&E's electric rate schedules.
2. The changes ordered for the small and medium light and power schedules (A-1, A-C, A-10 and A-11) have inadvertently created an incentive for certain agricultural customers to move to these schedules in the small and medium light and power classes.
3. PG&E states that it does not believe that such an incentive for migration was intended by the Commission in Decision No. 86-12-091.

Agricultural customers are already switching to Schedule A-1. Unless this migration is arrested very quickly, thousands more may switch.

4. PG&E is also concerned that if it is allowed to continue, this migration will result not only in a dramatic shift in the class revenue allocation, but more importantly, may result in customer dissatisfaction when these agricultural customers are moved back to their regular schedule.

5. Therefore, under the provisions of Public Utilities Code, Section 491, PG&E requests that this filing be given expedited treatment on an emergency basis.

6. In accordance with Section III.G. of General Order No. 96-A, PG&E has mailed copies of this advice letter to the utilities and interested parties shown on the attached list, including parties of Record in A.86-04-012.

7. No protests have been received in this matter.
8. Staff concurs with PG&E's findings in Advice Letter 1139-E. The revenue allocation and rate design for Schedules A-1, A-6, A-10 and A-11 did not assume a migration of agricultural customers onto these schedules, and such a migration would distort the revenue allocation among customers as previously established in Decision 86-08-083.

THEREFORE:

1. Pacific Gas and Electric Company is authorized under Section 491 of the Public Utilities Code and Section A of General Order 96-A, to place Advice Letter 1139-E and accompanying tariff sheets into effect today on less than the 40-day regular notice in order to avoid further migration of agricultural customers to Schedules A-1, A-6, A-10 and A-11.
2. Pacific Gas and Electric Company is further authorized to return all agricultural customers, who have migrated away from agricultural rate schedules, back to Schedules A-1, A-6, A-10 and A-11.
3. This resolution is effective today.

I certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on March 6, 1987. The following Commissioners approved it:



Executive Director

STANLEY W. HULETT
President
DONALD VIAL
FREDERICK R. DUDA
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Commissioners