

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

EVALUATION & COMPLIANCE DIVISION  
Energy Branch

RESOLUTION E-3032  
May 13, 1987

**R E S O L U T I O N**

**ORDER AUTHORIZING PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (PG&E) TO  
MODIFY ELECTRIC RULE NO. 14.1 TO MAKE CONSERVATION PROVISIONS  
LESS RESTRICTIVE RELATIVE TO DECORATIVE LIGHTING**

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By Advice Letter 1146-E filed March 31, 1987 and supplement filed April 7, 1987, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) requests authorization to modify the Electric Rule 14.1 to make energy prohibition and curtailment provisions for decorative lighting less restrictive by adding a sentence to Section B.1.a. This additional sentence would allow decorative lighting to be used during the night, except during periods of supply shortages. The facts are as follows:

**BACKGROUND**

1. Electric Rule 14.1 titled "Prohibitions and Curtailment Provisions" was established after the last energy crisis and revised during the California drought to promote conservation of electricity by prohibiting unlimited outdoor advertising and decorative lighting, and setting limits on the number of hours which functional outdoor lighting may be used.
2. Currently, there are no expected nighttime electrical supply deficiencies and an adequate non-peak electric supply is expected well into the 1990's.
3. Use of decorative lighting at night is during the off-peak period for electrical energy and capacity requirements.
4. The Public Staff and Evaluation and Compliance Divisions have reviewed this filing and have no objections.
5. This filing will not increase any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with other schedules or rules.
6. PG&E has requested that this filing become effective 40 calendar days after its filing.

7. No protests have been received in this matter.

THEREFORE:

1. Pacific Gas and Electric Company is authorized by Section 490 of the Public Utilities Code to modify Electric Rule 14.1, Section B.1.a, as filed in the supplemented Advice Letter 1146-E, the following clarifying sentence to paragraph B.1.a.: "The use of decorative lighting during non-daylight hours is permitted except during periods of electrical supply shortage".

2. Advice Letter 1146-E supplement and accompanying tariff sheets shall be marked to show that they were authorized by Resolution E-3032 and will become effective on May 13, 1987.

3. This Resolution is effective today.

I certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on May 13, 1987. The following Commissioners approved it.



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Executive Director

STANLEY W. HULETT  
President

DONALD VIAL  
JOHN B. OHANIAN  
Commissioners

Commissioner Frederick R. Duda,  
being necessarily absent, did  
not participate.

Commissioner G. Mitchell Wilk,  
being necessarily absent, did  
not participate.