PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Orig. and Copyto Executive Director RESOLUTION NO. G-2005

UTILITIES DIVISION BRANCH/SECTION: Gas DATE: December 21, 1976

Director Numerical File Alphabetical File Accounting Officer

SUBJECT: Order Authorizing Establishment of Steam Balancing Account

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY, by Advice Letter No. 52-S, filed December 2, 1976, having requested authority under Section 792 of the Public Utilities Code to establish and maintain a steam balancing account and to file periodically a balancing rate to amortize the accumulated balance in said account, as set forth on the Cal. P.U.C. Sheets Nos. 212-H to 214-H, inclusive, and

WHEREAS: The State Legislature has passed and the Governor has signed AB-2548, which adds Section 792.5 to the Public Utilities Code, which requires that all utilities shall establish and maintain a reserve account reflecting the balance between related costs and revenues, and

WHEREAS: This filing is for the purpose of complying with the intent of Section 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code by establishing a balancing account to reflect the revenues and the underlying fuel costs of the utility's steam system, and

WHEREAS: An effective date of January 1, 1977 is requested to coincide with the effectiveness of AB-2548, and

WHEREAS: We find this request to be reasonable and in the best interest of all concerned; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that authority be granted under Sections 792 and 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code for PG&E to establish and maintain a steam balancing account for the purpose of accuring over and under collections caused by fuel cost adjustments.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the utility be notified that it may periodically file a balancing rate to amortize the accumulated balance in said account but that such balancing rate will require Commission approval before becoming effective.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the above tariff sheets be marked to show that they were approved by Resolution of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California No. G-2005. The effective date of this Resolution is the date hereof.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly introduced, passed and adopted at a regular conference of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, held on the <u>21st</u> day of <u>December</u>, 1976, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon:

> D. W. HOLMES President WILLIAM SYMONS, JR. VERNON L. STURGEON LEONARD ROSS

William Z. Johnson

Executive Director

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