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Southwest Gas Corporation
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As of July 30, 2021

Subject: Revisions to Rule Nos. 1, 19, and 23 in Conformance with the Meter Protection Risk-Based Program Approved in Decision (D.) 21-03-052

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To: Energy Company Filing Advice Letter

From: Energy Division PAL Coordinator

Subject: Your Advice Letter Filing

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Energy Division's Tariff Unit by e-mail to
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ADVICE LETTER (AL) SUSPENSION NOTICE
ENERGY DIVISION

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| Utility Name Southwest Gas Corporation. | Date Utility Notified: 6/29/2021 |
| Utility Number/Type: U 905 G | <input type="checkbox"/> E-Mailed to: valerie.ontiveroz@swgas.com |
| Advice Letter Number(s): AL 1179 | ED Staff Contact: Amardeep Assar |
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INITIAL SUSPENSION (up to 120 DAYS from the expiration of the initial review period)

This is to notify that the above-indicated AL is suspended for up to 120 days beginning **July 1, 2021** (30 days after the Advice Letter is filed) for the following reason(s) below. If the AL requires a Commission resolution and the Commission's deliberation on the resolution prepared by Energy Division extends beyond the expiration of the initial suspension period, the advice letter will be automatically suspended for up to 180 days beyond the initial suspension period.

A Commission Resolution is Required to Dispose of the Advice Letter

Advice Letter Requests a Commission Order

Advice Letter Requires Staff Review

The expected duration of initial suspension period is 120 days

FURTHER SUSPENSION (up to 180 DAYS beyond initial suspension period)

The AL requires a Commission resolution and the Commission's deliberation on the resolution prepared by Energy Division has extended beyond the expiration of the initial suspension period. The advice letter is suspended for up to 180 days beyond the initial suspension period.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact [analyst] at [analyst email address].

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SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

June 1, 2021

Advice Letter No. 1179-G

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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Revisions to Rule Nos. 1, 19, and 23 in Conformance with the Meter Protection Risk-Based Program Approved in Decision (D.) 21-03-052

Purpose

Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest Gas) hereby submits for approval to the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revisions to its Rule No.1 – Definitions (Rule 1); Rule No. 19 – Services and Facilities on Customer’s Premises (Rule 19); and Rule No. 23 – Mobilehome Park Utility Conversion Program (Rule 23), related to the approval of a Meter Protection Program in the Company’s Test Year 2021 General Rate Case. The tariff sheets being modified as a result of this submission are listed on Attachment A.

Background

On August 30, 2019, Southwest Gas filed Application (A.) 19-08-015, its Test Year 2021 General Rate Case. In compliance with D.14-12-025 and the *Voluntary Agreement Between Risk Assessment Section of the Safety and Enforcement Division and Small Multi-Jurisdictional Utilities for a Risk-Based Decision-Making Framework*, issued August 30, 2018 in A.15-05-002, Southwest Gas included a risk-based decision-making framework and analysis in A.19-08-015. Through this framework, Southwest Gas proposed mitigations for certain identified risks, including the Meter Protection Program.¹ The Meter Protection Program was developed to mitigate the risk of damage to Southwest Gas meter sets from snow and ice loading and includes three safety-enhancing options that Company personnel will evaluate and implement (as applicable) for each customer premise: 1) the installation of meter sheds; 2) the installation of an Excess Flow Valve; and 3) the upgrade of the meter Encoder Receiver Transmitter device.

On August 3, 2020, Southwest Gas, the Public Advocates Office of the Commission and the City of Victorville filed a Joint Motion for Adoption of Settlement Agreement resolving all outstanding issues, including the risk-based programs. On March 24, 2021, the Commission issued D.21-03-052, approving the Joint Motion.

¹ D.21-03-052 also approved a Targeted Pipe Replacement Program and a Customer Owned Yard Line (COYL) Program.



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Revisions to Rules 1, 19 and 23

Through the Meter Protection Program, Southwest Gas will purchase and install a meter shed (or meter snow shelter as defined) as applicable, to mitigate the risk of meter damage due to snow and ice loading. Once installed, the meter snow shelter will become the property of the customer, who will maintain, repair or replace it. As such, Southwest Gas identified revisions to Rules 1 and 19 that are necessary to address this meter snow shelter option. In addition, because Southwest Gas currently installs meter snow shelters as part of the Mobilehome Park Utility Conversion Program, conforming changes have been made to Rule 23 to incorporate the definition proposed in Rule 1. Southwest Gas has included a redlined version of the tariff revisions in Attachment B.

Effective Date

Southwest Gas believes this Advice Letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 2 (Effective after Energy Division Disposition) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B. Southwest Gas respectfully requests this Advice Letter be approved effective July 1, 2021 which is thirty (30) days from the date submitted.

Protest

Anyone may protest this Advice Letter to the Commission. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based with specificity. The protest must be sent no later than 20 days after the date of this Advice Letter submission and shall be sent by letter via U.S. Mail, facsimile, or electronically mailed. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

ATTN: Tariff Unit
Energy Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102
Email: edtariffunit@cpuc.ca.gov
Facsimile: 415-703-2200

Copies should also be mailed to the attention of the Director, Energy Division, Room 4004, at the same address as above and mailed, emailed or faxed to:

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Please also direct other communications regarding this Advice Letter to the above-named individual.

Notice

Pursuant to Energy Industry Rule 3.1(2), Southwest Gas is exempt from the notice requirements set forth in General Rule 4.2 in GO 96-B since the revisions included in this Advice Letter are being made to conform with the risk-based programs adopted in D.21-03-052.

Service

In accordance with GO 96-B, General Rule 7.2, Southwest Gas is mailing copies of this Advice Letter and related tariff sheets to the utilities and interested parties shown on the attached list.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

By: 
Valerie J. Ontiveroz

Attachments

Distribution List

Advice Letter No. 1179-G

In conformance with GO 96-B, General Rule 4.3

The following individuals or entities have been served by electronic mail:

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ATTACHMENT A
Advice Letter No. 1179-G

| Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. | Title of Sheet | Canceling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. |
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| 1st Revised Sheet No. 157 | Rule No. 1 – Definitions (<i>Continued</i>) | Original Sheet No. 157 |
| 1st Revised Sheet No. 158 | Rule No. 1 – Definitions (<i>Continued</i>) | Original Sheet No. 158 |
| 1st Revised Sheet No. 159 | Rule No. 1 – Definitions (<i>Continued</i>) | Original Sheet No. 159 |
| 1st Revised Sheet No. 242 | Rule No. 19 – Services and Facilities on Customer’s Premises | Original Sheet No. 242 |
| 1st Revised Sheet No. 243 | Rule No. 19 – Services and Facilities on Customer’s Premises (<i>Continued</i>) | Original Sheet No. 243 |
| Original Sheet No. 243.1 | Rule No. 19 – Services and Facilities on Customer’s Premises (<i>Continued</i>) | |
| 4th Revised Sheet No. 279.16 | Rule No. 23 – Mobilehome Park Utility Conversion Program (<i>Continued</i>) | 3rd Revised Sheet No. 279.16 |
| 3rd Revised Sheet No. 279.20 | Rule No. 23 – Mobilehome Park Utility Conversion Program (<i>Continued</i>) | 2nd Revised Sheet No. 279.20 |

RULE NO. 1

DEFINITIONS
(Continued)

GENERAL *(Continued)*

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| Interruptible Gas Service: | Industrial service subject to interruption or curtailment at times of shortage of gas. |
| Intra-day Nomination: | A Nomination submitted after the nominating deadline for Daily and Standing Nominations specified in Section C of Rule No. 21, of this California Gas Tariff which has an effective time no earlier than the beginning of the next Gas Day, and has an ending time no later than the end of that Gas Day. |
| Main: | A pipeline that serves as a common source of supply for more than one service. |
| Main Extension: | The length of main and its related facilities required to transport gas from the existing facilities to the point of connection with the service piping. |
| Margin: | The portion of monthly revenues that are intended to cover the Company's cost of operating its distribution system, exclusive of gas and upstream pipeline charges. |
| Master-Meter Customer: | A customer who receives gas at a central point and distributes said gas through a piping system not owned or operated by the Company to tenants or occupants for their individual consumption. |
| Master-Meter System: | A pipeline system for distributing gas within, but not limited to, a definable area, such as a mobile home park, housing project, or apartment complex, where the operator purchases metered gas from an outside source for resale through a gas distribution pipeline system. The gas distribution pipeline system supplies the ultimate consumer who either purchases the gas directly through a meter or by other means, such as by rents. |
| Meter: | A meter and its related facilities downstream of the stop-cock, such as regulators valves, pipe, fittings, supports, appliances, instruments, controls and telemetry. |
| Meter Snow Shelter: | A protective cover that protects the meter, stop-cock, and riser from damage caused by falling, sliding and accumulating snow and/or ice. The cover is designed to meet or exceed the building design snow load requirements as determined by the building development department, fire prevention department, or other authority having jurisdiction. |

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RULE NO. 1

DEFINITIONS
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GENERAL (Continued)

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| Mobile Home: | A portable unit designed and built to be towed on its own chassis and connected to utilities. It is without a permanent foundation and is designed for year-round living. |
| Mobile Home Park: | Area of land where two or more mobile home sites are rented to accommodate mobile homes used for permanent residency. |
| Noncore Customer: | A customer whose end-use priority is P2-B, P3-A, P3-B, P4 or P5 as defined in Rule No. 20 of this California Gas Tariff. |
| Nonprofit Group Living Facility: | A properly licensed or permitted nonprofit residential facility that provides a service, such as meals or rehabilitation, in addition to lodging, where each of the residents meet the Commission's CARE eligibility standards, or a homeless shelter that provides at least six (6) beds for a minimum of 180 days each year for persons who have no alternative residence. Homeless shelters, women's shelters or hospices that lack a license or permit, but would otherwise meet the definition of a nonprofit group living facility, may be included in this definition for the purposes of the CARE program. |
| Normal Working Hours: | Excluding Company-observed holidays, the time period between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. |
| Pacific Clock Time (PCT): | Pacific Standard Time or Pacific Daylight Time, whichever is currently in effect. |
| Peak-Day Demand: | A customer's highest billing month's requirement divided by the number of days of operation in that month and the therm factor (average Btu per cubic foot divided by 1,000). |
| Permanent Service: | Service that, in the opinion of the Company, is of a permanent and established character. This may be continuous, intermittent or seasonal in nature. |
| Person: | Any individual, partnership, corporation, public agency, or other organization operating as a single business entity. |

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RULE NO. 1

DEFINITIONS

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Point of Delivery: The point where the Company's facilities/pipes/infrastructure meet the customer's facilities/pipes/infrastructure, which are owned, leased or under license by the customer. The metering takes place on the customer's side.

Premises: All of the real property and apparatus employed in a single enterprise on an integral parcel of land undivided, excepting in the case of industrial, agricultural, oil field, resort enterprises and public or quasi-public institutions, by a dedicated street, highway or other public thoroughfare or a railway. Automobile parking lots constituting a part of and adjacent to a single enterprise may be separated by an alley from the remainder of the premises served.

Qualified Contractor/
Subcontractor (QC/S): A QC/S shall (1) be licensed in California for the appropriate type of work (electrical, general, etc.); (2) employ workmen properly certified for specific skills required (plastic fusion, welding, etc.); electric workmen shall be properly qualified (Qualified Electrical Worker, Qualified Person, etc.) as defined in State of California High Voltage Safety Orders (Title 8, Subchapter 5, Group 2); and (3) comply with applicable laws (Equal Opportunity Regulations, OSHA, EPA, etc.).

Further, an applicant for service who intends to employ a QC/S should consider whether the QC/S (1) is technically competent; (2) has access to proper equipment; (3) demonstrates financial responsibility commensurate with the scope of the contract; (4) has adequate insurance coverage (workers' compensation, liability, property damage, etc.); and (5) is able to furnish surety bond for performance of contract, if required.

Requirement: A customer's requirement for any period is the sum of the customer's metered usage and the customer's curtailed deliveries, expressed in therms.

Residential Dwelling: A house, apartment, townhouse, or any other permanent residential unit that is used as a permanent home.

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RULE NO. 19

SERVICES AND FACILITIES ON CUSTOMER'S PREMISES

A. SERVICE CONNECTIONS MADE BY COMPANY'S EMPLOYEES

Only duly authorized employees of the Company are allowed to connect the customer's service to, or disconnect the same from, the Company's gas mains.

B. MAINTENANCE AND OWNERSHIP OF SERVICES AND MAINS

Services, mains, and related facilities installed upon the customer's premises will at all times be and remain the sole property of the Company, which will have the right, by its agents or employees, to enter upon the customer premises and inspect, maintain, remove, repair, replace, extend or abandon such services, mains, and related facilities at any reasonable time or as operating conditions necessitate, including at or after the termination of service.

No rent or other charge whatsoever will be made by the customer against the Company for placing or maintaining said services, mains, and related facilities upon the customer's premises. The customer shall exercise reasonable care to prevent the services, mains, and related facilities of the Company upon said premises from being injured or destroyed, and shall refrain from interfering with the same, and, in case any defect therein shall be discovered, shall notify the Company thereof.

C. MAINTENANCE AND OWNERSHIP OF METERS AND FIXTURES

All meters, fixtures, etc., installed upon the customer's premises for the purpose of delivering gas to the customer, except Meter Snow Shelters, will at all times be and remain the sole property of the Company, which will have the right, by its agents or employees, to enter upon the customer's premises and inspect, read, test, maintain, remove, repair, or replace such facilities at any reasonable time or as operating conditions necessitate, including at or after the termination of service.

No rent or other charge whatsoever will be made by the customer against the Company for placing or maintaining said meters, fixtures, etc., or Meter Snow Shelters, upon the customer's premises. All meters will be sealed or soldered by the Company, and no such seal or solder shall be tampered with or broken except by a representative of the Company appointed for that purpose. The customer shall exercise reasonable care to prevent the meters, fixtures, etc., of the Company upon said premises from being injured or destroyed, and shall refrain from interfering with the same, and, in case any defect therein shall be discovered, shall notify the Company thereof.

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RULE NO. 19

SERVICES AND FACILITIES ON CUSTOMER'S PREMISES

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C. MAINTENANCE AND OWNERSHIP OF METERS AND FIXTURES *(Continued)*

Upon application for gas service and the establishment of service pursuant thereto, and upon the taking of gas service at any time thereafter, the customer shall be deemed to have accepted ownership of any Meter Snow Shelter that may have been installed by the Company upon the customer's premises. In no event shall the Company have a duty to inspect, maintain, repair, or replace any such Meter Snow Shelter.

D. METER INSTALLATION

All meters will be installed by the Company in some convenient place approved by the Company upon the customer's premises, and so placed as to be accessible at all times for inspection, reading, testing, and emergency operations.

In all buildings in which separate meters are hereafter required to be installed for various floors or groups of rooms in order to measure the gas supplied to each tenant, all meters will be located at a central point or as otherwise specified by the Company. Each such meter will be clearly marked by the building owner, to indicate the particular location supplied by it.

In buildings which are divided into two or more stores or other commercial premises, meters may be installed in the separate premises provided no adjacent alleyway, common basement or other location accessible to all the tenants and suitable for the installation of a group of meters exists. In such buildings, the piping from the Company's point of delivery to the individual meters shall be subject to inspection by the Company.

A master meter shall be furnished and installed by the Company (as provided for in Rule No.18A of this California Gas Tariff upon application by the owner or lessee of any building where the floors (or portion thereof) or groups of rooms are rented separately and where gas is to be metered and resold by said owner or lessee to the individual tenants, as provided in Rule No. 18B of this California Gas Tariff. In such cases the said owner or lessee shall furnish, install, maintain and test the sub-meters.

RULE NO. 19

SERVICES AND FACILITIES ON CUSTOMER'S PREMISES

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E. COMPANY'S RIGHT OF INGRESS AND EGRESS FROM CUSTOMER'S PREMISES

The Company shall at all times have the right of ingress to and egress from the customer's premises at all reasonable hours or as operating conditions necessitate for any purpose reasonably connected with the furnishing of gas, and the exercise of any and all rights secured to it by law, or this California Gas Tariff.

As provided for in the Rules herein contained, the Company shall have the right to remove any and all of its property installed on the customer's premises at or after the termination of service.

F. CUSTOMER RESPONSIBLE FOR EQUIPMENT FOR RECEIVING GAS AND FOR PROTECTIVE APPARATUS

The customer shall, at the customer's own risk and expense, furnish, install and keep in good and safe condition all regulators, gas piping, appliance connectors, appliances, instruments, controls, telemetry, fixtures, facilities and apparatus, of any kind or character, including all protective apparatus such as Meter Snow Shelters, supports, covers, housing, barriers, bollards, and protective appliances, which may be required for safely receiving gas from the Company, and for safely applying and utilizing such gas beyond the point of delivery, and the Company shall not be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage occasioned or caused by the negligence or wrongful act of the customer or of any of the customer's agents, employees or licensees in installing, maintaining, using, operating or interfering with any such customer provided regulators, gas piping, appliance connectors, appliances, instruments, controls, telemetry, fixtures facilities, or apparatus, of any kind or character, including any protective apparatus.

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RULE NO. 23

MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY CONVERSION PROGRAM

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A. DEFINITIONS (Continued)

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| Common Use Area: | All designated buildings, areas, or facilities within an MHP that are intended to be used by all MHP Residents and/or the MHP Owner/Operator. Energy costs for serving the common area are paid by the MHP Owner/Operator. |
| Legacy System: | The existing MHP master-metered submetered or non-submetered system. |
| Manufactured Housing Community: | Any area or tract of land where two or more manufactured home lots are rented or leased, held out for rent or lease, or were formerly held out for rent or lease and later converted to subdivision, cooperative, condominium, or other form of resident ownership, only to accommodate the use of manufactured homes constructed pursuant to the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974. |
| Meter Shed: | A type of Meter Snow Shelter, as that term is defined in Rule No. 1, Definitions, of this California Gas Tariff. |
| MHP Resident: | A person who has tenancy in an MHP under a rental agreement, or who lawfully occupies a Mobilehome. |
| Mobilehome: | Refer to Rule No. 1, Definitions, of this California Gas Tariff. |
| Mobilehome Park (MHP): | Refer to Rule No. 1, Definitions, of this California Gas Tariff. |
| Mobilehome Space: | Designated area within an MHP that is owned, rented, or held out for rent, to accommodate a Mobilehome used for human habitation. |
| MHP Owner/Operator: | The party that has legal obligation for the MHP. |
| Service Delivery Point: | The point where the Company's facilities (pipe, valves, meter set assemblies and associated equipment) are connected to the pipe (house line) owned by either the MHP Owner/Operator or the MHP Resident, normally adjacent to the location of the meter. |

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RULE NO. 23

MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY CONVERSION PROGRAM

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C. MHP PROGRAM COMPONENTS *(Continued)*

3. MHP Agreement *(Continued)*

Once the MHP Agreement has been executed and all applicable pre-construction terms and conditions have been satisfied, the MHP is considered accepted into the MHP Program and construction will commence.

4. Construction

a. The Company or its designated contractor will perform all necessary "To the Meter" construction, as set forth in this Rule and the MHP Agreement. The Company will install services to both occupied and unoccupied MHP spaces, but will not install a meter set assembly on unoccupied spaces.

b. In common areas, conversions will be at the discretion of the Commission Safety and Enforcement Division. Consistent with existing requirements for the Company to safely and efficiently connect its service facilities with its natural gas main pipeline facilities, the Company will terminate its service facilities at a location as close as possible to the exterior of the building/structure nearest to the Company's main pipeline facilities. The selected location shall be as close as practicable to the existing service delivery point(s); however, some flexibility in the construction approach is necessary to address various situations that exist in current installations.

c. The MHP Owner/Operator's selected contractor will perform all necessary "Beyond the Meter" construction as set forth in this Rule and the MHP Agreement.

d. In areas subject to heavy snowfall, it may be necessary that a Meter Shed be installed to help protect Company facilities. Notwithstanding any other provision of this California Gas Tariff, as part of the MHP Program:

- the Company or its designated contractor will install Meter Sheds, as necessary, during the "To the Meter" construction process; and
- upon cutover to the Company's gas distribution system, the Meter Shed shall be owned and maintained by the MHP Owner/Operator as set forth in Section C.7.b of this Rule.

**ADVICE LETTER NO. 1179-G
ATTACHMENT B**

Rule No. 1 – Definitions

Rule No. 19 – Services and Facilities on Customer's Premises

Rule No. 23 – Mobilehome Park Utility Conversion Program

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RULE NO. 1

DEFINITIONS

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GENERAL (Continued)

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| <u>Main:</u> | <u>A pipeline that serves as a common source of supply for more than one service.</u> |
| Main Extension: | The length of main and its related facilities required to transport gas from the existing facilities to the point of connection with the service piping. |
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| Meter: | A meter and its related facilities, if necessary, <u>downstream of the stop-cock,</u> such as regulators and valves, <u>pipe, fittings, supports, appliances, instruments, controls and telemetry.</u> |
| <u>Meter Snow Shelter:</u> | <u>A protective cover that protects the meter, stop-cock, and riser from damage caused by falling, sliding and accumulating snow and/or ice. The cover is designed to meet or exceed the building design snow load requirements as determined by the building development department, fire prevention department, or other authority having jurisdiction.</u> |

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Mobile Home Park: Area of land where two or more mobile home sites are rented to accommodate mobile homes used for permanent residency.

Advice Letter No. _____ Issued by ~~John P. Hester~~ Amy L. Timperley Date Filed _____ Effective _____
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RULE NO. 19

SERVICES AND FACILITIES ON CUSTOMER'S PREMISES

A. SERVICE CONNECTIONS MADE BY COMPANY'S EMPLOYEES

Only duly authorized employees of the Company are allowed to connect the customer's service to, or disconnect the same from, the Company's gas mains.

B. MAINTENANCE AND OWNERSHIP OF SERVICES AND MAINS

Services, mains, and related facilities installed upon the customer's premises will at all times be and remain the sole property of the Company, which will have the right, by its agents or employees, to enter upon the ~~property of the~~ customer premises and inspect, maintain, remove, repair, replace, extend or abandon such services, mains, and related facilities at any reasonable time or as operating conditions necessitate, including at or after the termination of service.

No rent or other charge whatsoever will be made by the customer against the Company for placing or maintaining said services, mains, and related facilities upon the customer's premises. The customer shall exercise reasonable care to prevent the services, mains, and related facilities of the Company upon said premises from being injured or destroyed, and shall refrain from interfering with the same, and, in case any defect therein shall be discovered, shall notify the Company thereof.

C. MAINTENANCE AND OWNERSHIP OF METERS AND APPLIANCES/FIXTURES

All meters, ~~regulators, services, appliances,~~ fixtures, etc., installed ~~by the Company at its expense~~ upon the customer's premises for the purpose of delivering gas to the customer ~~shall continue to be the~~, except Meter Snow Shelters, will at all times be and remain the sole property of the Company, which will have the right, by its agents or employees, to enter upon the customer's premises and inspect, read, test, maintain, remove, repair, or replace such facilities and may be repaired, replaced or removed by the Company at any reasonable time or as operating conditions necessitate, including at or after the termination of service.

No rent or other charge whatsoever will be made by the customer against the Company for placing or maintaining said meters, ~~regulators, services, appliances,~~ fixtures, etc., or Meter Snow Shelters, upon the customer's premises. All meters will be sealed or soldered by the Company, and no such seal or solder shall be tampered with or broken except by a representative of the Company appointed for that purpose. The customer shall exercise reasonable care to prevent the meters, ~~regulators, services, appliances,~~ fixtures, etc., of the Company upon said premises from being injured or destroyed, and shall refrain from interfering with the same, and, in case any defect therein shall be discovered, shall notify the Company thereof.

~~The Company shall have the right to remove any and all of its facilities installed on customer's premises at the termination of service.~~

Upon application for gas service and the establishment of service pursuant thereto, and upon the taking of gas service at any time thereafter, the customer shall be deemed to have accepted ownership of any Meter Snow Shelter that may have been installed by the Company upon the customer's premises. In no event shall the Company have a duty to inspect, maintain, repair, or replace any such Meter Snow Shelter.

D. METER INSTALLATION

All meters will be installed by the Company in some convenient place approved by the Company upon the customer's premises, and so placed as to be accessible at all times ~~accessible~~ for inspection, reading, ~~and testing,~~ and emergency operations.

In all buildings in which separate meters are hereafter required to be installed for various floors or groups of rooms in order to measure the gas supplied to each tenant, all meters will be located at a central point or as otherwise specified by the Company. Each such meter will be clearly marked by the building owner, to indicate the particular location supplied by it.

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SERVICES AND FACILITIES ON CUSTOMER'S PREMISES*(Continued)*D. METER INSTALLATION *(Continued)*

In buildings which are divided into two or more stores or other commercial premises, meters may be installed in the separate premises provided no adjacent alleyway, common basement or other location accessible to all the tenants and suitable for the installation of a group of meters exists. In such buildings, the piping from the Company's point of delivery to the individual meters shall be subject to inspection by the Company.

A master meter shall be furnished and installed by the Company (as provided for in Rule No.18A of this California Gas Tariff upon application by the owner or lessee of any building where the floors (or portion thereof) or groups of rooms are rented separately and where gas is to be metered and resold by said owner or lessee to the individual tenants, as provided in Rule No. 18B of this California Gas Tariff. In such cases the said owner or lessee shall furnish, install, maintain and test the sub-meters.

E. COMPANY'S RIGHT OF INGRESS AND EGRESS FROM CUSTOMER'S PREMISES

The Company shall at all times have the right of ingress to and egress from the customer's premises at all reasonable hours or as operating conditions necessitate for any purpose reasonably connected with the furnishing of gas, and the exercise of any and all rights secured to it by law, or ~~these tariff schedules~~ this California Gas Tariff.

As provided for in the Rules herein contained, the Company shall have the right to remove any and all of its property installed on the customer's premises at or after the termination of service.

F. CUSTOMER RESPONSIBLE FOR EQUIPMENT FOR RECEIVING GAS AND FOR PROTECTIVE APPARATUS

The customer shall, at ~~his~~ the customer's own risk and expense, furnish, install and keep in good and safe condition all regulators, gas piping, appliance connectors, appliances, instruments, controls, telemetry, fixtures, facilities and apparatus, of any kind or character, including all protective apparatus such as Meter Snow Shelters, supports, covers, housing, barriers, bollards, and protective appliances, which may be required for safely receiving gas from the Company, and for safely applying and utilizing such gas, beyond the point of delivery ~~including all necessary protective appliances and suitable housing therefor~~, and the Company shall not be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage occasioned or caused by the negligence, or wrongful act of the customer or of any of ~~his~~ the customer's agents, employees or licensees in installing, maintaining, using, operating or interfering with any such customer provided regulators, ~~services, gas mains~~ piping, appliance connectors, appliances, instruments,

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controls, telemetry, fixtures facilities, or apparatus, of any kind or character, including any protective apparatus.

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RULE NO. 23

MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY CONVERSION PROGRAM

(Continued)

A. DEFINITIONS (Continued)

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| Common Use Area: | All designated buildings, areas, or facilities within an MHP that are intended to be used by all MHP Residents and/or the MHP Owner/Operator. Energy costs for serving the common area are paid by the MHP Owner/Operator. |
| Legacy System: | The existing MHP master-metered submetered or non-submetered system. |
| Manufactured Housing Community: | Any area or tract of land where two or more manufactured home lots are rented or leased, held out for rent or lease, or were formerly held out for rent or lease and later converted to subdivision, cooperative, condominium, or other form of resident ownership, only to accommodate the use of manufactured homes constructed pursuant to the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974. |
| Meter Shed: | A structure used to help protect the meter set assembly from potential damage due to the accumulation of snow and ice. A type of Meter Snow Shelter, as that term is defined in Rule No. 1, Definitions, of this California Gas Tariff. |
| MHP Resident: | A person who has tenancy in an MHP under a rental agreement, or who lawfully occupies a Mobilehome. |
| Mobilehome: | Refer to Rule No. 1, Definitions, of this California Gas Tariff. |
| Mobilehome Park (MHP): | Refer to Rule No. 1, Definitions, of this California Gas Tariff. |
| Mobilehome Space: | Designated area within an MHP that is owned, rented, or held out for rent, to accommodate a Mobilehome used for human habitation. |
| MHP Owner/Operator: | The party that has legal obligation for the MHP. |
| Service Delivery Point: | The point where the Company's facilities (pipe, valves, meter set assemblies and associated equipment) are connected to the pipe (house line) owned by either the MHP Owner/Operator or |

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the MHP Resident, normally adjacent to the location of the
meter.

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RULE NO. 23

MOBILEHOME PARK UTILITY CONVERSION PROGRAM*(Continued)*C. MHP PROGRAM COMPONENTS *(Continued)*3. MHP Agreement *(Continued)*

Once the MHP Agreement has been executed and all applicable pre-construction terms and conditions have been satisfied, the MHP is considered accepted into the MHP Program and construction will commence.

4. Construction

a. The Company or its designated contractor will perform all necessary "To the Meter" construction, as set forth in this Rule and the MHP Agreement. The Company will install services to both occupied and unoccupied MHP spaces, but will not install a meter set assembly on unoccupied spaces.

b. In common areas, conversions will be at the discretion of the Commission Safety and Enforcement Division. Consistent with existing requirements for the Company to safely and efficiently connect its service facilities with its natural gas main pipeline facilities, the Company will terminate its service facilities at a location as close as possible to the exterior of the building/structure nearest to the Company's main pipeline facilities. The selected location shall be as close as practicable to the existing service delivery point(s); however, some flexibility in the construction approach is necessary to address various situations that exist in current installations.

c. The MHP Owner/Operator's selected contractor will perform all necessary "Beyond the Meter" construction as set forth in this Rule and the MHP Agreement.

d. In areas subject to heavy snowfall, it may be necessary that a Meter Shed be installed to help protect Company facilities. Notwithstanding any other provision of this California Gas Tariff, as part of the MHP Program:

- the Company or its designated contractor will install Meter Sheds, as necessary, during the "To the Meter" construction process; and
- Upon-upon cutover to the Company's gas distribution system, the Meter Shed shall be owned and maintained by the MHP Owner/Operator as set forth in Section C.7.b of this Rule.



ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY

ENERGY UTILITY



MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)

Company name/CPUC Utility No.:

Utility type:

ELC GAS WATER
 PLC HEAT

Contact Person:

Phone #:
E-mail:
E-mail Disposition Notice to:

EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

ELC = Electric GAS = Gas WATER = Water
PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat

(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #:

Tier Designation:

Subject of AL:

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing):

AL Type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other:

If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL:

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL:

Confidential treatment requested? Yes No

If yes, specification of confidential information:

Confidential information will be made available to appropriate parties who execute a nondisclosure agreement. Name and contact information to request nondisclosure agreement/ access to confidential information:

Resolution required? Yes No

Requested effective date:

No. of tariff sheets:

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%):

Estimated system average rate effect (%):

When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).

Tariff schedules affected:

Service affected and changes proposed¹:

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets:

¹Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

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| Agriculture | ECAC / Energy Cost Adjustment | Qualifying Facility |
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| Balancing Account | Energy Charge | Refunds |
| Baseline | Energy Efficiency | Reliability |
| Bilingual | Establish Service | Re-MAT/Bio-MAT |
| Billings | Expand Service Area | Revenue Allocation |
| Bioenergy | Forms | Rule 21 |
| Brokerage Fees | Franchise Fee / User Tax | Rules |
| CARE | G.O. 131-D | Section 851 |
| CPUC Reimbursement Fee | GRC / General Rate Case | Self Generation |
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| Cogeneration | Increase Rates | Service Outage |
| Compliance | Interruptible Service | Solar |
| Conditions of Service | Interutility Transportation | Standby Service |
| Connection | LIEE / Low-Income Energy Efficiency | Storage |
| Conservation | LIRA / Low-Income Ratepayer Assistance | Street Lights |
| Consolidate Tariffs | Late Payment Charge | Surcharges |
| Contracts | Line Extensions | Tariffs |
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| Curtable Service | Metering | Transformer |
| Customer Charge | Mobile Home Parks | Transition Cost |
| Customer Owned Generation | Name Change | Transmission Lines |
| Decrease Rates | Non-Core | Transportation Electrification |
| Demand Charge | Non-firm Service Contracts | Transportation Rates |
| Demand Side Fund | Nuclear | Undergrounding |
| Demand Side Management | Oil Pipelines | Voltage Discount |
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| Depreciation | Power Lines | |