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December 19, 2014

Advice Letter 961

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**Subject: To Incorporate Revisions in the Company's Tariff Consistent
with D.14-08-043, in Rulemaking 14-03-002, which Implements
Registration Standards for Core Transport Agents with the CPUC**

Dear Mr. Brown:

Advice Letter 961 is effective December 1, 2014.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward Randolph".

Edward Randolph
Director, Energy Division



SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Justin Lee Brown , Vice President/Regulation and Public Affairs

November 26, 2014

ATTN: Tariff Unit
Energy Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 4005
San Francisco, CA 94102

Subject: Southwest Gas Corporation (U 905 G)
Advice Letter No. 961

Enclosed herewith are an original and one (1) copy of Southwest Gas Corporation's Advice Letter No. 961, together with California Gas Tariff Sheet Nos. 139, 141 and 264.

Sincerely,

Justin Lee Brown
Vice President/Regulation & Public Affairs

JLB:jjp
Enclosures



SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Advice Letter No. 961

November 26, 2014

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest Gas or the Company) (U 905 G) tenders herewith for filing the following tariff sheet:

California Gas Tariff

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Canceling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
1st Revised Sheet No. 139	Form of Service Agreement for Intrastate Transportation of Customer Secured Natural Gas Under Schedule No. GN-T Core Aggregation <i>(Continued)</i>	Original Sheet No. 139
1st Revised Sheet No. 141	Form of Service Agreement for Intrastate Transportation of Customer Secured Natural Gas Under Schedule No. GN-T Core Aggregation <i>(Continued)</i>	Original Sheet No. 141
1st Revised Sheet No. 264	Rule No. 21 – Transportation of Customer-Secured Natural Gas <i>(Continued)</i>	Original Sheet No. 264

Purpose

The purpose of this filing is to incorporate revisions in the Company's tariff consistent with Decision (D.) 14-08-043, in Rulemaking 14-03-002, which implements registration standards for Core Transport Agents with the California Public Utilities Commission.

Effective Date

Southwest Gas believes Advice Letter No. 961 is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as a Tier 1 filing (effective pending disposition) pursuant to General Order (G.O.) 96-B.

Protest

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by sending a letter within 20 days of the filing. The protest should set forth the grounds upon which it is based and should be submitted expeditiously. There is no restriction on who may file a protest. Protests should be mailed or faxed to:



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Protest (continued)

Investigation, Monitoring & Compliance Program Manager
California Public Utilities Commission, Energy Division
505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 4002
San Francisco, CA 94102
Facsimile: 415-703-2200

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

Mr. Justin Lee Brown
Vice President/Regulation and Public Affairs
Southwest Gas Corporation
P.O. Box 98510
Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-8510
Facsimile: 702-364-3452

Notice

Pursuant to Energy Industry Rule 3.1(1), Southwest Gas believes it is exempt from the notice requirements set forth in General Rule 4.2 in G.O. 96-B since the tariff revisions proposed herein are being filed consistent with D.14-08-043. In addition, this filing will not result in any increase in rate or charge.

Service

In accordance with G.O. 96-B, General Rule 4.3, Southwest Gas is mailing copies of this advice letter and related tariff sheets to the utilities and interested parties shown on the attached list.

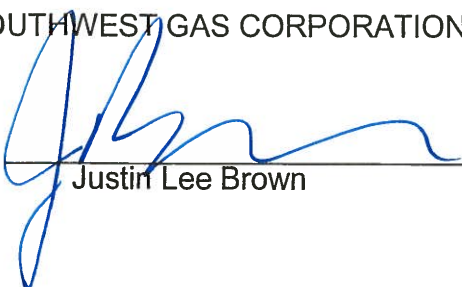
Communications regarding this filing should be directed to:

Valerie J. Ontiveroz
Regulatory Manager/California
Southwest Gas Corporation
P.O. Box 98510
Las Vegas, NV 89193-8510
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E-mail: valerie.ontiveroz@swgas.com

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

By



Justin Lee Brown

DISTRIBUTION SERVICE LIST

Advice Letter No. 961

In accordance with GO 96-B, General Rule 4.3

The following individuals or entities have been served by regular, first-class mail:

Tariff Regulation
Pacific Gas & Electric Company
77 Beale Street, Room 1001
San Francisco, CA 94177

Lee Schavrien
Regulatory Affairs, Room 10A
San Diego Gas & Electric Company
P.O Box 1831
San Diego, CA 92112

Tariff Administration
Regulatory Affairs
Sempra Energy
555 West 5th Street, M.L. 14D6
Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011

Joe Como, Acting Director
Office of Ratepayer Advocates
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94105

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

Southern California Gas Company
tariff@socalgas.com

Robert M. Pocta
Office of Ratepayer Advocates
California Public Utilities Commission
rmp@cpuc.ca.gov

Nathanial Skinner
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California Public Utilities Commission
nws@cpuc.ca.gov

Pearlie Sabino
Office of Ratepayer Advocates
California Public Utilities Commission
pzs@cpuc.ca.gov

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY
ENERGY UTILITY**

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

Company name/CPUC Utility No. **Southwest Gas Corporation (U 905 G)**

Utility type:

ELC GAS
 PLC HEAT WATER

Contact Person: **Valerie Ontiveroz**

Phone #: **(702) 876-7323**

E-mail: **Valerie.ontiveroz@swgas.com**

EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

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

(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: **961**

Subject of AL: **To incorporate revisions in the Company's tariff consistent with D.14-08-043, in Rulemaking 14-03-002, which implements registration standards for Core Transport Agents with the CPUC.**

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): **Core**

AL filing type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other _____

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: **D.14-08-043**

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: **Not applicable**

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL¹: **Not applicable**

Resolution Required? Yes No

Tier Review Level? 1 2 3

Requested effective date: **December 1, 2014**

No. of tariff sheets: **3 in CA Gas Tariff**

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): **Not Applicable**

Estimated system average rate effect (%): **Not Applicable**

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: **Not applicable**

Service affected and changes proposed¹: **See 'Subject of AL' above**

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: **Not Applicable**

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

**CPUC, Energy Division
Attention: Tariff Unit
505 Van Ness Ave.,
San Francisco, CA 94102
E-mail: edtariffunit@cpuc.ca.gov**

**Utility Info (including e-mail)
Mr. Justin Lee Brown,
Vice President/ Regulation & Public Affairs
Southwest Gas Corporation
P. O. Box 98510
Las Vegas, NV 89193-8510
E-mail: justin.brown@swgas.com
Facsimile: 702-364-3452**

¹ Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

FORM OF SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR
INTRASTATE TRANSPORTATION OF CUSTOMER-SECURED
NATURAL GAS UNDER SCHEDULE NO. GN-T
CORE AGGREGATION

(Continued)

ARTICLE II — APPLICABLE TRANSPORTATION RATES AND RATE SCHEDULE

The customers shall pay (either directly or through the Aggregator) the Company for all natural gas transportation service rendered under the terms of this Agreement in accordance with Schedule No. GN-T, as filed with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and as amended or superseded from time to time. The transportation rate to be charged to each customer pursuant to Schedule No. GN-T is set forth in the attached Exhibit A.

Prior to receiving service under this Agreement, the Aggregator shall provide a security deposit to the Company determined in accordance with Section M of Rule No. 21 of the Company's California Gas Tariff. Any unpaid charges exceeding the Aggregator's security deposit will be billed pro rata to the customers based upon each customer's actual therm usage.

ARTICLE III — TERM OF AGREEMENT

Subject to Article VIII, this Agreement shall become effective on _____, _____, and shall continue in effect for a period extending for a primary term to and including _____, _____ and from month to month thereafter, subject, however, to termination at expiration of the said primary term, or upon the first day of any calendar month thereafter, by a party hereto, through written notice so stating and given to the other party no less than 30 days in advance.

ARTICLE IV — NOTICES

Any notice, request or demand concerning this Agreement shall be written and delivered personally, by facsimile, or by overnight mail with all postage and charges prepaid, to the other party as follows:

Southwest Gas Corporation

Aggregator

Phone No. _____

Phone No. _____

Fax No. _____

Fax No. _____

FORM OF SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR
INTRASTATE TRANSPORTATION OF CUSTOMER-SECURED
NATURAL GAS UNDER SCHEDULE NO. GN-T
CORE AGGREGATION

(Continued)

ARTICLE VII — PRIOR AGREEMENTS

The Aggregator recognizes that the Company has existing agreements and working relationships with its pipeline companies, and the Company agrees to cooperate reasonably with them for the purpose of receiving, transporting and delivering the Aggregator's gas in a practical and efficient manner. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed in any manner as limiting or modifying the rights or obligations of any of the parties under the Company's Schedule No. GN-T on file with the CPUC and any service agreement executed by the parties for service thereunder.

When this Agreement takes effect, it supersedes, cancels and terminates the following agreement(s):

(To be used when necessary.)

ARTICLE VIII — REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

The customers and the Aggregator shall not take any action that would subject the Company to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Economic Regulatory Administration, or any successor governmental agency. Any such action shall be cause for immediate termination of this Agreement. This Agreement, all terms and provisions contained or incorporated herein, and the respective obligations of the parties hereunder are subject to and conditioned upon all valid laws, orders, rules, and regulations of duly constituted authorities having jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Agreement, including without limitation, the registration requirements of the CPUC in accordance with Decision 14-08-043. This Agreement shall at all times be subject to such changes or modifications by the CPUC as it may from time to time direct in the exercise of its jurisdiction.

Should the FERC, the CPUC or any other regulatory or successor governmental agency having jurisdiction impose by rule, order or regulation any terms or conditions upon this Agreement which are not mutually satisfactory to the parties, then any party, upon the issuance of such rule, order or regulation, and notification to the other party, may terminate this Agreement.

RULE NO. 21

TRANSPORTATION OF CUSTOMER-SECURED NATURAL GAS
(Continued)

M. CORE AGGREGATION TRANSPORTATION (CAT) PROGRAM

The provisions contained in this Section M apply only to those customers participating in the Company's Core Aggregation Transportation (CAT) program. The previous provisions of this Rule No. 21 and Schedule No. GN-T of this California Gas Tariff apply to the CAT program, unless superseded by provisions contained in this Section M. In accordance with Decision 14-08-043, unless otherwise exempt, a CAT offering core aggregation transportation service to residential or small commercial customers is required to register with and receive approval from the Commission prior to offering core aggregation transportation service.

1. Enrollment of Customers

- a. An agent or third party (Aggregator) who requests transportation service for customers aggregating core loads shall provide to the Company a Utility Authorization for Core Aggregation Transportation Service (Form No. 881.0) executed by the customer identifying each customer's meter location whose load has been aggregated. The Utility Authorization shall grant the Aggregator the authority to act on the customer's behalf. The minimum term for customers electing CAT service is 12 months.
- b. The Company shall tabulate the customer's most recent 12 months' usage and provide the usage history to the Aggregator within 30 days from submittal to the Company by the Aggregator. The Company shall utilize this usage history to establish the Aggregator's Maximum Daily Quantity (MDQ) for any time period.
- c. The Company will process requests from Aggregators to begin service to customers within 90 days of submittal; however, every reasonable effort will be made to begin CAT service for the customer in the month following submittal.
- d. Customers taking CAT service must provide 90 days prior written notice to the Company to change Aggregators. A customer who has received CAT service for the minimum term is not required to remain with a newly-elected Aggregator for a minimum term.

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