

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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December 30, 2014

Advice Letter 957-G

Justin Lee Brown
Vice-President/Regulatory Affairs
Southwest Gas Corporation
PO Box 98510
Las Vegas, NV 89193-8510

**SUBJECT: IN COMPLIANCE WITH D.14-11-005 TO EXTEND THE PUBIC
PURPOSE PROGRAM MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (PPPMA)**

Dear Mr. Brown:

Advice Letter 957-G is effective as of November 17, 2014. The balances in the CARE and ESA balancing accounts remain subject to future review and verification by the Energy Division.

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 17, 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. 957

Enclosed herewith is one (1) copy of Southwest Gas Corporation's Advice Letter No. 957, together with California Gas Tariff P.U.C. Sheet No. 42.

Sincerely,

Justin Lee Brown
Vice President/Regulation & Public Affairs

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Enclosures



SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Advice Letter No. 957

November 17, 2014

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest Gas) (U 905 G) hereby tenders for filing the following tariff sheets:

California Gas Tariff

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Canceling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
3rd Revised Sheet No. 42	Preliminary Statement (<i>Continued</i>)	2nd Revised Sheet No. 42

Purpose

The purpose of this filing is to extend the Public Purpose Program Memorandum Account (PPPMA) in compliance with Decision No. (D.)14-11-005 beginning on January 1, 2015, and continuing on a month-to month basis until the Commission adopts a final decision approving Southwest Gas' 2015-2017 ESA and CARE Program Budget Application. The PPPMA was established on January 1, 2012, in compliance with D.11-11-009¹, to track the difference between the revenue requirement adopted in D.11-11-009 and what Southwest Gas requested in its application for approval of low-income assistance programs and budgets for program years 2012-2014 (Application 11-06-019). The allocation of monthly Energy Savings Assistance and California Alternate Rates for Energy Programs revenue requirements required in accordance with D.14-11-005 is attached.

Effective Date

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 8 in D.14-11-005, this Advice Letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and is classified as Tier 1 (effective pending disposition). Southwest Gas respectfully requests that this Advice Letter be made effective November 17, 2014, which is the date of filing.

Protests

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 to:

¹ Issued in Application 11-06-016, et al.



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Protests *(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 and faxed to:

Mr. Justin Lee Brown,
Vice-President/Regulation & 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 is exempt from the notice requirements set forth in General Rule 4.2 in General Order (G.O.) 96-B since the tariff revisions proposed herein are being filed in compliance with D.14-11-005.

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
Telephone: 702-876-7323
E-mail: valerie.ontiveroz@swgas.com

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

By 
Justin Lee Brown

Attachments

DISTRIBUTION LIST

Advice Letter No. 957

In Conformance with G.O. 96-B, General Rule 4.3

Southern California Edison Company

Pacific Gas & Electric Company

Liberty Utilities

San Diego Gas & Electric Company

**Southern California Gas Company
(Tariff@socalgas.com)**

Southern California Water Company

Duane Morris, LLP

Director/Office of Ratepayer Advocates

**Robert M. Pocta, Office of Ratepayer Advocates
(rmp@cpuc.ca.gov)**

**Nathanial Skinner, Office of Ratepayer Advocates
(nws@cpuc.ca.gov)**

**Pearlie Sabino, Office of Ratepayer Advocates
(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) #: **957**

Subject of AL: **In compliance with D.14-11-005 to extend the Public Purpose Program Memorandum Account (PPPMA).**

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): **Compliance Filing**

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

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

D.14-11-005

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

Requested effective date: **November 17, 2014**

No. of tariff sheets: **1**

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

mas@cpuc.ca.gov and jnj@cpuc.ca.gov

Utility Info (including e-mail)

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¹ Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS
(Continued)

20. PUBLIC PURPOSE PROGRAM MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (PPPMA)

20A. PURPOSE

Effective January 1, 2012, the purpose of the PPPMA is to record the difference between the Company's Public Purpose Program (PPP) revenue requirement authorized in Decision (D.) 11-11-009 and that requested by the Company in Application (A.) 11-06-019. D.14-11-005 extended the PPPMA on a month-to-month basis beginning January 1, 2015 until the Commission adopts a final decision approving Southwest Gas' 2015-2017 ESA and CARE Program Budget Application.

20B. APPLICABILITY

CARE and NonCARE costs recorded in the PPPMA will be recovered from customers in the same manner as the Company's authorized PPP revenue requirement.

20C. DISPOSITION

Costs recorded in the PPPMA will be reconciled with the Company's PPP expenses and revenues recorded pursuant to Section 17 Public Purpose Program (PPP) Balancing Accounts (Section 17) of the Preliminary Statements of this California Gas Tariff. Costs, including interest calculated as set forth in Section 12B of these Preliminary Statements, in excess of those recoverable pursuant to Section 17 may be recovered in rates only after request by the Company and approval by the Commission.

**SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION
COMPARISON OF AUTHORIZED AND REQUESTED ESAP AND CARE REVENUE REQUIREMENTS**

Line No.	Description	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15	6-Month Total	Line No.
<u>Energy Savings Assistance Program (ESAP) [1]</u>									
1	Authorized in D.11-11-009	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 1,586,347	1
2	Requested in A.11-06-016	252,071	252,071	252,071	252,071	252,071	252,071	\$ 1,512,424	2
3	Estimated (Under) / Over-Collection	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 73,923	3
<u>CARE Program [2]</u>									
4	Authorized in D.11-11-009	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 4,536,810	4
5	Requested in A.11-06-016	969,780	969,780	969,780	969,780	969,780	969,780	\$ 5,818,680	5
6	Estimated (Under) / Over-Collection	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (1,281,870)	6

[1] ESAP costs and revenues are balanced in a one-way balancing account pursuant to Section 17 of the Preliminary Statements of Southwest Gas' California Gas Tariff. ESAP expenses in excess of the amounts authorized in D.11-11-009 will be recorded in the Public Purpose Program Memorandum Account (PPMA) for future recovery.

[2] CARE program costs and revenues are balanced in a two-way balancing account pursuant to Section 17 of the Preliminary Statements of Southwest Gas' California Gas Tariff. CARE program expenses in excess of the amounts authorized in D.11-11-009 will be recovered from or refunded to customers through Southwest Gas' CARE balancing account.