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December 12, 2012

Advice Letter 898-G

Don Soderberg, Vice-President/Pricing
Southwest Gas Corporation
P O Box 98510
Las Vegas, NV 89193-8510

**Subject: In Compliance w/D.12-09-026 to Extend the Public Purpose
Program Memorandum Account (PPPMA)**

Dear Mr. Soderberg:

Advice Letter 898-G is effective October 1, 2012.

Sincerely,

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

Edward F. Randolph, Director
Energy Division



SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Donald L. Soderberg, Vice President/Pricing

October 3, 2012

ATTN: Honesto Gatchalian
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. 898

Dear Mr. Gatchalian:

Enclosed herewith are five (5) copies of Southwest Gas Corporation's Advice Letter No. 898, together with California Gas Tariff P.U.C. Sheet No. 43.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Edward B. Gieseke directly at (702) 364-3271.

Sincerely,

Donald L. Soderberg

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Enclosures



SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Advice Letter No. 898

October 3, 2012

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.
2nd Revised Sheet No. 43	Preliminary Statement (<i>Continued</i>)	1st Revised Sheet No. 43

Purpose

The purpose of this filing is to extend the Public Purpose Program Memorandum Account (PPPMA) in compliance with Decision No. (D.)12-09-026¹ beginning on October 1, 2012 and continuing on a month-to month basis until the Commission adopts a final decision in this proceeding. 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.12-09-026 is attached.

Effective Date

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 7 in D.12-09-026, 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 October 3, 2012, which is the date of filing.

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 to:

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



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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. John P. Hester, Senior Vice-President
Regulatory Affairs and Energy Resources
Southwest Gas Corporation
P.O. Box 98510
Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-8510
Facsimile: 702-876-7037

Notice

Pursuant to Energy Industry Rule 3.1(1), Southwest 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 in compliance with D.12-06-023.

Service

In accordance with General Order 96-B, General Rule 4.3, Southwest 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:

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Director/Pricing and Tariffs
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Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

By 
Donald L. Soderberg

Attachments

DISTRIBUTION LIST

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

Southern California Edison Company

Pacific Gas & Electric Company

Sierra Pacific Power Company

San Diego Gas & Electric Company

Southern California Gas Company

Southern California Water Company

R. Thomas Beach

Duane Morris, LLP

Director/Division of Ratepayer Advocates

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

Description	Oct-12	Nov-12	Dec-12	Jan-13	Feb-13	Mar-13	Dec 31, 2012	Six-Month
							Total	Total
Energy Savings Assistance Program [1]								
Authorized in D.11-11-009	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 264,391	\$ 793,173	\$ 1,586,347
Requested in A.11-06-016	252,071	252,071	252,071	252,071	252,071	252,071	756,212	1,512,424
Estimated (Under-) / Over-Collection	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 12,321	\$ 36,961	\$ 73,923
CARE Program [2]								
Authorized in D.11-11-009	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 756,135	\$ 2,268,405	\$ 4,536,810
Requested in A.11-06-016	969,780	969,780	969,780	969,780	969,780	969,780	2,909,340	5,818,680
Estimated (Under-) / Over-Collection	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (213,645)	\$ (640,935)	\$ (1,281,870)

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

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS
(Continued)

21. PUBLIC PURPOSE PROGRAM MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT (PPPMA)

21A. 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. 12-09-026 extended the PPPMA on a month-to-month basis until the Commission adopts a final decision in the A. 11-06-016 et al.

21B. 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.

21C. 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.