#### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 VAN NESS AVENUE SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102-3298





#### Advice Letters 838 and 838-A

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

Subject: To Propose a Refund Plan to Distribute Settlement Proceeds per R.09-07-029 and Supplemental Filing

Dear Mr. Soderberg:

Advice Letters 838 and 838-A are effective February 19, 2010.

Sincerely,

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Julie A. Fitch, Director

**Energy Division** 



Donald L. Soderberg, Vice President/Pricing

March 16, 2010

Attention: Julie Fitch, Director California Public Utilities Commission Energy Division 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 4004 San Francisco, CA 94102

Subject: S

Southwest Gas Corporation (U 905 G)

Advice Letter No. 838-A

Dear Ms. Fitch:

Enclosed herewith are an original and five (5) copies of Southwest Gas Corporation's Advice Letter No. 838-A. There are no tariff sheets associated with this filing.

Sincerely,

Edu P.S. Gundy for Donald L. Soderberg

DLS:vo Enclosures

Copy by electronic mail:

Joyce Alfton, Energy Division Jonathan Bromson, Division of Ratepayer Advocates R.09-07-029 Service List



# **SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION**

Advice Letter No. 838-A

March 16, 2010

# PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest) (U 905 G) tenders herewith for filing this supplemental advice letter. There are no tariff sheets associated with this filing.

#### **Purpose**

This supplemental advice letter is being filed at the request of the Energy Division staff to provide an allocation breakdown of the settlement proceeds received from the Sempra and Price Indexing Cases pursuant to Decision 10-01-024 (Rulemaking 10-07-029). The allocations are demonstrated in Attachment A. Attachment A is submitted in support of Southwest's Advice Letter No. 838, filed on February 19, 2010, which requested authorization for an allocation methodology to distribute the settlement proceeds.

#### **Effective Date**

Southwest believes this advice letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and respectfully requests that this advice letter be approved concurrently with Advice Letter No. 838, with an effective date of February 19, 2010.

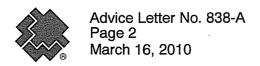
#### **Protest**

Anyone wishing to protest this advice letter may do so by letter sent via U.S. Mail, by facsimile or electronically, any of which must be received no later than **March 23, 2010**, which is 5 days after the date of this filing. This shortened protest period has been authorized by the Energy Division. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based with specificity, and should be limited to the contents of this advice letter. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

Energy Division
California Public Utilities Commission
Attention: Investigation, Monitoring & Compliance Manager
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102
Email: jni@cpuc.ca.gov and mas@cpuc.ca.gov

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

In accordance with Section 4 of General Order No. 96-B, Southwest Gas is serving copies of this advice filing to the interested parties shown on the attached GO 96-B service list and to the established service list in Rulemaking 09-07-029.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

By Edu P.B. Bully for/Donald L. Soderberg

Attachment

### **DISTRIBUTION LIST**

Advice Letter No. 838-A
In Conformance with GO 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
Duane Morris, LLP

Director/Division of Ratepayer Advocates

# SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION (SOUTHWEST) SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS FROM THE SEMPRA AND PRICE INDEXING CASES (R.09-07-029 AND DECISION 10-01-024)

Line No.	Description		Allocation %		Totals	Line No.
1 2 3	Total Settlement Proceeds: Sempra Settlement (Pipeline Cases) Price Indexing Cases Settlement Total	-		\$	62,600,000 55,202,040 117,802,040	1 2 3
	Estimated Allocation of Sempra Proceeds to California Gas Utilities:	_				
4	Southwest		3.32%	\$	2,078,320	4
5 6	Other Utilities Allocation Total	-	96.68% 100.00%	\$	60,521,680 62,600,000	5 6
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	Estimated Allocation of Pipeline Cases Proceeds to California Gas Utilities:					
7	Southwest	•	3.46%	\$	1,910,488	7
8	Other Utilities Allocation		96.54%		53,291,552	8
9	Total	:	100.00%	\$	55,202,040	9
	Allocation to Southwest Customers:	-				
10	Sempra Settlement [1] Sempra Actual Refund Proceeds			\$	2,166,524	10
11	Core Aggregation	[2]	0.5235%	Ψ \$	11,342	11
12	Southwest Core Procurement Customers	[]	99.4765%	\$	2,155,182	12
	Price Indexing Cases [3]					
13	Price Indexing Cases Actual Refund Proceeds			\$	1,832,708	13
14	Core Aggregation	[2]	0.5235%	\$	9,594	14
15	Southwest Core Procurement Customers		99.4765%	\$	1,823,114	15 1
16	<u>Total Refunds by Categories</u> Core Aggregation	[2]	0.5235%	\$	20,936	16
17	Southwest Core Procurement Customers		99.4765%	\$	3,978,296	17
18	Total		100.00%	\$	3,999,232	18

<sup>[1]</sup> Southwest received \$2,166,524, on Tuesday, February 2, 2010 from the Sempra Settlement.

<sup>[2]</sup> The Core Aggregation throughput percentage is based upon 12-Months ended January 2010

<sup>[3]</sup> Southwest received \$1,832,707.74, on Friday, February 19, 2010 from the Price Indexing Cases Settlement.