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In Reply Refer To:
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Docket Nos. ER15-2245-000
ER15-2259-000

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Reference: Tariff Database Migration – Other Tariffs and Rate Schedules

Dear Ms. Koo:

1. On July 23, 2015, pursuant to section 205 of the Federal Power Act (FPA),¹ Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) submitted administrative filings to migrate certain tariff records in its eTariff database to a new Tariff Identifier (Tariff ID). Specifically, in Docket No. ER15-2259-000, PG&E proposes to cancel its existing Tariff ID 3000 – Other Tariff and Rate Schedules and in a separate filing in Docket No. ER15-2245-000 proposes to establish a new Tariff ID 3100 for these tariff records. PG&E states that the migration of tariff records facilitates the transition to a new eTariff software vendor and that the migration will not alter the content of the tariff records. Specifically, PG&E states that “all tariff language will be migrated to the new Tariff IDs exactly as the language appears in PG&E’s existing Tariff IDs.”² PG&E requests waiver of the Commission’s 60-day prior notice requirement³ to allow an effective date of July 23, 2015.

¹ 16 U.S.C. § 824d (2012).

² PG&E Transmittal at 3.

³ 18 C.F.R. § 35.3, 35.11 (2015).

2. Notice of PG&E's filing in Docket No. ER15-2259-000 was published in the *Federal Register*, 80 Fed. Reg. 45,648 (2015), with interventions and protests due on or before August 13, 2015. Timely motions to intervene were filed by the Transmission Agency of Northern California (TANC) and the Modesto Irrigation District (Modesto). Notice of PG&E's filing in Docket No. ER15-2245-000 was published in the *Federal Register*, 80 Fed. Reg. 45,216 (2015), with interventions and protests due on or before August 13, 2015. Timely motions to intervene were filed by the City of Redding, California and Modesto. A timely motion to intervene and protest was filed by the TANC.

3. In its protest, TANC states that it has identified an error in PG&E's Rate Schedule No. 144, an agreement which establishes the rates, terms, and conditions for the interconnection of the California-Oregon Transmission Project (COTP)⁴ with PG&E's transmission system (Interconnection Agreement). Specifically, TANC argues that Appendix F of the Interconnection Agreement incorrectly reflects outdated ownership percentages which fail to account for TANC's acquisition of a 120.7952 MW share of the COTP previously owned by the City of Vernon, California (Vernon). According to TANC, its ownership interest in the COTP is 1,389.6304 MW, or 86.8519 percent.⁵ TANC contends that PG&E should have previously filed an updated version of Appendix F of the Interconnection Agreement that correctly reflects TANC's share of the COTP.⁶ TANC also states that other revisions to the Interconnection Agreement are necessary to ensure consistency with the updated ownership shares, such as removing Vernon from the definition of COTP Participant in section 4.10 and the addresses for notices in Appendix D.⁷ In addition, TANC states that the currently effective version of Appendix F is even more outdated than the version filed by PG&E in the instant filing.⁸

4. Pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2015), the timely, unopposed motions to intervene serve to make the entities that filed them parties to this proceeding.

⁴ The COTP is a 500 kV transmission line built in 1993 that runs from the California-Oregon border to central California, where it interconnects with PG&E's system.

⁵ TANC Protest at 5-6.

⁶ *Id.* at 7.

⁷ *Id.* TANC notes that other revisions may need to be made, such as a revision to the City of Redding's ownership interest.

⁸ *Id.* at 6.

5. We conditionally accept PG&E's filing, effective July 23, 2015, as requested,⁹ subject to the compliance filing directed below.

6. Our review indicates that the version of Appendix F filed by PG&E in the instant filing does not match the version of Appendix F in the currently effective Tariff ID, as pointed out by TANC. Specifically, the ownership shares for TANC, Western Area Power Administration, and Shasta Dam Area Public Utility District listed in Appendix F in the currently effective Tariff ID differ from the ownership shares for those COTP participants in the version of Appendix F filed by PG&E in the instant filing. These differences are inconsistent with PG&E's representation in its transmittal letter that it has not proposed any changes to its tariff language in these migration filings. Therefore, we direct PG&E to submit a compliance filing, within 30 days of the date of this letter order, to revise Appendix F of the Interconnection Agreement to match the version of Appendix F in the currently effective Tariff ID.

7. Furthermore, Appendix F of the currently effective Interconnection Agreement appears to be outdated. TANC states that it acquired the approximately 121 MW share of the COTP previously owned by Vernon; however, Appendix F still lists Vernon as a partial owner of that share of the COTP. The scope of the instant filing is limited to migrating the currently effective tariff language to new Tariff IDs. However, we remind PG&E of its obligation under section 205 of the FPA to have accurate, full, and complete rate schedules on file with the Commission,¹⁰ which includes reflecting the correct information regarding the ownership of the COTP in Appendix F of the Interconnection Agreement.

By direction of the Commission.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

⁹ *Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation*, 60 FERC ¶ 61,106, *reh'g denied*, 61 FERC ¶ 61,089 (1992); *Prior Notice and Filing Requirements Under Part II of the Federal Power Act*, 64 FERC ¶ 61,139, *clarified*, 65 FERC ¶ 61,081 (1993).

¹⁰ 18 C.F.R. § 35.1(a) (2015).