Notice of Pacific Power's Request to Increase Your Rates for the Energy Cost Adjustment Clause and Greenhouse Gas Allowance Costs and Revenues for 2023

Application (A.22-08-001)

WHY AM I RECEIVING THIS NOTICE?

On August 1, 2022, Pacific Power filed an application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) requesting an overall increase to electric rates. This application addressed the Energy Cost Adjustment Clause (ECAC), greenhouse gas (GHG) allowance costs, and the California Climate Credit.

If this application is approved, this would result in a rate increase of \$14.5 million or 13.6%, effective January 1, 2023. This will impact your monthly bill.

WHY IS PACIFIC POWER REQUESTING THIS RATE INCREASE?

- Annually, Pacific Power compares actual and forecast costs of providing electricity to customers (ECAC rate) and the costs of purchasing GHG allowances to comply with the California Cap and Trade program, established as part of the state's Global Warming Solutions Act (GHG rate).
- The ECAC rate allows Pacific Power to recover costs related to producing electricity such as fuel expenses, power purchased from third parties, and energy transmission expenses. This application requests an ECAC rate increase of \$3.8 million due to power costs being more than the amount of revenue collected in current rates to cover those costs.
- The GHG rate allows Pacific Power the opportunity to recover costs related to purchasing allowances to comply with the state's Cap and Trade program. This application requests a GHG rate increase of \$10.7 million due to actual allowance costs being higher than previously forecasted.
- This application also requests approval for Pacific Power customers to receive the California Climate Credit on their bills, resulting from the sale of greenhouse gas allowances. If approved, residential and small business customers will receive a credit of \$268.56 twice, in April and October 2023.

This application will be reviewed by the CPUC to determine if the costs are reasonable and eligible for recovery from customers before any rate increase is potentially approved.

HOW COULD THIS AFFECT MY MONTHLY ELECTRIC RATES?

If Pacific Power's rate request is approved by the CPUC, the average residential monthly bill using 850 kWh per month would increase by approximately \$17.29 or 13.5% per month in 2023. A summary of the estimated rate impact is provided

below. This table does not include the Climate Credit which will be provided to customers.

Customer Classification	Current Average Rates (cents per KWh)	Proposed Average Rates (cents per kWh)	Proposed Dollar Increase	Proposed Percent Increase
Residential	15.1¢	17.1¢	\$7,489,000	13.5%
Commercial and Industrial	13.0¢	14.8¢	\$5,095,000	13.9%
Irrigation	13.9¢	15.8¢	\$1,794,000	13.6%
Lighting	23.1¢	25.9¢	\$88,000	12.4%
Overall	14.2¢	16.1¢	\$14,466,000	13.6%

Pacific Power's Proposed Rate Increase

HOW DOES THE REST OF THIS PROCESS WORK?

This application will be assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt Pacific Power's application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding may review Pacific Power's application, including the Public Advocates Office. The Public Advocates Office is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information about the Public Advocates Office, please call **1-415-703-1584**, email <u>PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov</u>, or visit <u>PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov</u>.

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION? Contact Pacific Power

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A copy of the Application and any related documents may also be reviewed at <u>https://www.pacificpower.net/about/rates-</u> regulation/california-regulatory-filings.html.

CONTACT CPUC

Please visit <u>apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2208001</u> to submit a comment about this proceeding on the CPUC Docket Card. Here you can also view documents and other public comments related to this proceeding.

Your participation by providing your thoughts on Pacific Power's request can help the CPUC make an informed decision.

If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at:

Phone: 1-866-849-8390 (toll-free)

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Please reference Application A.22-08-001 in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.

