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Pacific Power notice of proposed Solar Incentive Program and Proposed New Surcharge

On March 1, 2010, Pacific Power filed an application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) requesting permission to implement a solar incentive program in its California service territory. The proposed program would provide incentive payments to customers that install solar photovoltaic equipment at their homes and businesses in order to offset some or all of their electricity usage. If approved, the solar incentive program would be funded through a new surcharge designed to collect the proposed program budget of approximately \$1.16 million per year. This proposed new surcharge results in an increase only to customers of Pacific Power not served under California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) rate schedules. Funds collected through this surcharge would only be used to pay customer incentives and cover the cost of administering the program.

The CPUC could approve the program as proposed, modify the proposed program, or not approve the program. If approved, the surcharge would have the following estimated average increase to each customer class listed below:

| Customer class | Proposed percentage increase | Proposed dollar increase |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Residential | 1.2 percent | \$520,000 |
| Commercial and Industrial | 1.3 percent | \$480,000 |
| Irrigation | 1.3 percent | \$160,000 |
| Streetlighting | 1.4 percent | \$5,000 |
| Overall | 1.3 percent | \$1,165,000 |

Customers that take service under CARE rate schedules are not subject to the proposed surcharge.

You may submit written comments to the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office (PAO) at the address or e-mail shown below. Please state that you are writing concerning PacifiCorp's solar incentive program application. Your comments will become a part of the formal correspondence file for public comment in this proceeding. The Public Advisor's Office will circulate your comments to the five Commissioners, the assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ), the Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA), and to CPUC staff assigned to this proceeding.

You may review a copy of this Application and related exhibits on the Internet at **pacificpower.net/regulation** or at the following Pacific Power offices:

Pacific Power

300 S. Main
Yreka, CA 96097

Pacific Power

1054 Northcrest Drive
Crescent City, CA 95531

You may also contact Pacific Power by phone toll free at **1-888-221-7070**.

The proposed Application is also available at the CPUC's Formal Files Office at the address below. To contact the Public Advisor, please call or write:

The Public Advisor

**California Public Utilities
Commission**

**505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102**

415-703-2074

1-866-849-8390

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