



**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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John M. Meding and Dolores Meding,

Complainants,

vs.

Southern California Gas Company (U904G),

Defendant.

(ECP)

Case (C.) _____

Expedited Complaint
(Rule 4.6)

COMPLAINANTS	DEFENDANT
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(A) John M. Meding
Dolores J. Meding

COMPLAINANT(S)

vs.

So Cal Gas

(B) Acct. # 07208788948

DEFENDANT(S)

(Include Utility "U-Number", if known)

(for Commission use only)

(C)

Have you tried to resolve this matter informally with the Commission's Consumer Affairs staff?

☒ YES

☐ NO

Has staff responded to your complaint?

☒ YES

☐ NO

Did you appeal to the Consumer Affairs Manager?

☐ YES

☒ NO

Do you have money on deposit with the Commission?

☐ YES

☒ NO

Amount \$ _____

Is your service now disconnected?

☐ YES

☒ NO

COMPLAINT

(D)

The complaint of (Provide name, address and phone number for each complainant)

Name of Complainant(s)	Address	Daytime Phone Number
John M. Meding	524 BLUE MEADOW COURT	661 829-5256
Dolores J. Meding	BAKERSFIELD, CA. 93308	

respectfully shows that:

(E)

Defendant(s) (Provide name, address and phone number for each defendant)

Name of Defendant(s)	Address	Daytime Phone Number
So Cal Gas	P.O. Box C	
	MONTREY PARK, CA. 91756-5111	1808 427-2200

(F)

Explain fully and clearly the details of your complaint. (Attach additional pages if necessary and any supporting documentation)

SEE ATTACHED SHEET(S)

(G) Scoping Memo Information (Rule 4.2(a))

(1) The proposed category for the Complaint is (check one):

☐ adjudicatory (most complaints are adjudicatory unless they challenge the reasonableness of rates)

☒ ratesetting (check this box if your complaint challenges the reasonableness of a rates)

(2) Are hearings needed, (are there facts in dispute)? ☒ YES ☐ NO

(3) ☐ Regular Complaint ☒ Expedited Complaint

(4) The issues to be considered are (Example: The utility should refund the overbilled amount of \$78.00):

INSPECT, CALIBRATE AND READ METER.
RESCIND THE \$2175. BILL AND,
BEGIN SERVICE.

- (5) The proposed schedule for resolving the complaint within 12 months (if categorized as adjudicatory) or 18 months (if categorized as ratesetting) is as follows:

Prehearing Conference: Approximately 30 to 40 days from the date of filing of the Complaint.

Hearing: Approximately 50 to 70 days from the date of filing of the Complaint.

Prehearing Conference (Example: 6/1/09):	
Hearing (Example: 7/1/09)	

Explain here if you propose a schedule different from the above guidelines.

(H)

Wherefore, complainant(s) request(s) an order: State clearly the exact relief desired. (Attach additional pages if necessary)

CANCEL or otherwise the past due \$2175.00
 ↑
 RESCIND

(I)

OPTIONAL: I/we would like to receive the answer and other filings of the defendant(s) and information and notices from the Commission by electronic mail (e-mail). My/our e-mail address(es) is/are:

unionjohn1@hotmail.com & doloresmedina2@gmail.com

(J)

Dated BAKERSFIELD, California, this 8th day of OCTOBER, 2025
 (City) (date) (month) (year)

John Medina
Dolores J. Medina
 Signature of each complainant

(MUST ALSO SIGN VERIFICATION AND PRIVACY NOTICE)

(K)**REPRESENTATIVE'S INFORMATION:**

Provide name, address, telephone number, e-mail address (if consents to notifications by e-mail), and signature of representative, if any.

Name of Representative:	N.A.
Address:	
Telephone Number:	
E-mail:	
Signature	

VERIFICATION
(For Individual or Partnerships)

I am (one of) the complainant(s) in the above-entitled matter; the statements in the foregoing document are true of my knowledge, except as to matters which are therein stated on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

(L)

Executed on 10/8/2025, at Bakersfield, California
(date) (City)

John Meeking
(Complainant Signature)

VERIFICATION
(For a Corporation)

I am an officer of the complaining corporation herein, and am authorized to make this verification on its behalf. The statements in the foregoing document are true of my own knowledge, except as to the matters which are therein stated on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

(M)

Executed on _____, at _____, California
(date) (City)

Signature of Officer

Title

(N) NUMBER OF COPIES NEEDED FOR FILING:

If you are filing your formal complaint on paper, then submit one (1) original, six (6) copies, plus one (1) copy for each named defendant. For example, if your formal complaint has one defendant, then you must submit a total of eight (8) copies (Rule 4.2(b)).

If you are filing your formal complaint electronically (visit <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/efiling> for additional details), then you are not required to mail paper copies.

(O) Mail paper copies to: California Public Utilities Commission
Attn: Docket Office

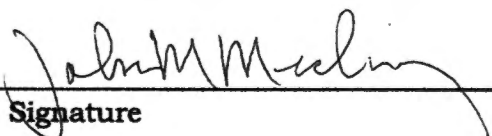
505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2001
San Francisco, CA 94102

PRIVACYNOTICE

This message is to inform you that the Docket Office of the California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC") intends to file the above-referenced Formal Complaint electronically instead of in paper form as it was submitted.

Please Note: Whether or not your Formal Complaint is filed in paper form or electronically, Formal Complaints filed with the CPUC become a public record and may be posted on the CPUC's website. Therefore, any information you provide in the Formal Complaint, including, but not limited to, your name, address, city, state, zip code, telephone number, E-mail address and the facts of your case may be available on-line for later public viewing.

Having been so advised, the Undersigned hereby consents to the filing of the referenced complaint.


Signature

10/8/2025
Date

John M. Meding
Print your name

F (explanation of complaint)

Issue #1

A SoCal bill dated 5 days prior to the PUC answer assumes a predetermined decision. This answer/decision smell of a rigged system. The fact that the PUC decision and SoCal answer are almost Ver Batum only reinforces this fact. The following examples will indeed demonstrate a most shoddy example of what is supposed to be a fair, honest and unbiased investigation.

Harm: The lack of a fair investigation and the misrepresentation of facts that resulted in this adverse decision and has therefore forced me to file a formal complaint.

Issue #2

The SoCal answer dated Sept. 8th acknowledges that I called SoCal on October 9, 2023 to discuss a letter from them I received. I then informed them that I relocated from Colorado and was unfamiliar with this entire matter. I also told them that my Century 21 Realtor said that PG&E was my provider. I had no reason to doubt her and have yet to receive anything to the contrary. The G in PG&E stands for gas does it not? I received no bill after this discussion and have still heard nothing. The facts are clear that PG&E contacted me the day we moved in and SoCal waited two years, and still never followed up with a bill.

Harm: The failure of SoCal Gas to register me on October 9, 2023 as requested and not stating a legitimate reason for this failure, then billing me for an extrapolated amount 2 years later.

Issue #3

An alleged violation of Rule #3 for benefiting without establishing service and being liable for service during your occupancy. To begin; I did indeed establish service with the only provider who contacted me to do so. Why did So Cal fail to do what PG&E did? When I heard nothing from SoCal after the October 9, 2023 I assumed that PG&E was indeed my provider. So Cal has given no reason for this failure but assumes my guilt. In addition, SoCal now wants me to pay for everything including an undetermined time prior to us even moving in. Their answer even states that I was informed for the 1st time on July 1st of this year that SoCal was my provider, a fact that SoCal has yet to prove. When the SoCal rep visited my home on July 1st he didn't even know who lived here.

Harm: the allegation of a violation of Rule#3 is false. Being held liable for service because of their failure to establish service as requested. And for being forced to pay for someone else's service before we even moved in here.

Issue #4

This concerns an alleged violation of Rule#16. This allegation too is totally false. It claims the use of gas without authorization. I assumed authorization after the October 9th, 2023 discussion with SoCal and their admitted failure to register me does not constitute an unauthorized use of gas!

Harm: The use of false claims and SoCal's failure to act. The attempt to charge me for someone else's use. The failure to transfer the outstanding balance to the person who received the service.

Closing Arguments

This SoCal letter goes on to admit my application for service was never completed. Who's fault was that? And they never proffered any proof that they are indeed my provider nor have they provided any proof of any wrongdoing on my part. It is customary to do certain things when someone moves into a home:

- 1) To give notice and register the new account. Proffer pertinent information.**
- 2) To read, inspect and calibrate the meter for accuracy.**

The third bullet item on SoCal's answer says it all: On July 1, 2025 you were informed that SoCalGas was your provider and this is when my account should begin. Everything prior to this is merely any attempt by SoCaGas to clean up their many failures. The last bullet item demonstrates that So Cal transferred the outstanding balance of someone else to my account. This constitutes a direct violation of their own Rule#3.

In closing I hope that equity and good conscience prevail and that the Commission sees through SoCal's attempt to make someone else pay for their failures and mistakes.

Respectfully submitted;