

Decision 19-04-003 April 4, 2019

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Review, Revise, and Consider Alternatives to the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment.

Rulemaking 17-06-026

ORDER CORRECTING ERROR

This order corrects one typographical error in Decision 18-10-019, the Decision Modifying the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment Methodology.

1. Background

Pursuant to Resolution A-4661, the Commission's Executive Director is authorized to sign, on behalf of the Commission, orders involving "the correction of typographical and clerical errors, and other obvious, inadvertent errors and omissions in the decisions and orders of the Commission."¹ This authority is memorialized in Rule 16.5 of the California Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules). Rule 16.5 provides that correction of obvious typographical errors or omissions in Commission decisions may be requested by letter to the Executive Director, with a copy sent at the same time to all parties to the proceeding.

On November 16, 2018, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) submitted a request for correction of what it describes as two typographical errors in Decision (D.) 18-10-019 in Rulemaking (R.) 17-06-26, the Commission's Rulemaking to Review, Revise, and Consider Alternatives to the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment.²

¹ Resolution A-4661, Ordering Paragraph 1.

² PG&E submitted its request on behalf of itself, Southern California Edison (SCE), and

2. Discussion

First, the Joint Utilities request that Conclusion of Law (COL) 17 be amended to be consistent with Ordering Paragraph (OP) 7. The Joint Utilities suggest that the version of COL 17 in the Alternate Proposed Decision (APD) adopted by the Commission at its October 11, 2018 meeting may have inadvertently failed to include the new language in the revised OP 7 in the APD. I agree that this is an obvious typographical error. The Joint Utilities proposed the language ultimately included in OP 7 in their comments on the APD. The Commission states on page 126 of D.18-10-019 that “[i]f the Joint Utilities’ proposed balancing account structure would aid in collecting information necessary to eventually true up those components, we authorize each utility to establish the necessary structure.” Therefore, COL 17 of D.18-10-019 is revised to read as follows:

17. PG&E, SCE and SDG&E should each establish a Portfolio Allocation Balancing Account with vintaged subaccounts to account for billed revenues, generation resource costs, net California Independent System Operator market revenues (including those associated with energy and ancillary services), and revenues associated with the renewable energy Adder and the Resource Adequacy capacity in each vintaged portfolio.

The second request of the Joint Utilities is for a correction to the calculation of the Resource Adequacy (RA) Adder adopted in D.18-10-019. The Joint Utilities cite four sections of D.18-10-019 that discuss calculation of the RA Adder and note that these sections are not consistent with each another. Each reference states that the RA Adder should be calculated using reported purchase and sale prices from investor-owned utility (IOU), community choice aggregator (CCA) and energy service provider (ESP) transactions for a given year or years.

However, as the table below shows, the year for the transactions is not entirely consistent.

The calculation of the RA Adder should use	D.18-10-019 reference
Transactions made in year n-1 for deliveries year n	page 79
Transactions made during (year n-2 and year n-1) for deliveries in (year n-1 and year n)	page 121
Transactions made during (year n-1) for deliveries in (year n)	Opening Paragraph 1c
Transactions in year n-2 as published in the annual RA report by the Commission's Energy Division	Appendix 1

The inconsistencies listed above do not expressly qualify as omissions or obvious typographical errors; therefore, the Joint Utilities' request for correction to the calculation of the RA Adder is not granted.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Pursuant to Commission Resolution A-4661 and Rule 16.5, Conclusion of Law 17 of Decision 18-10-019 is revised to read as follows:

17. PG&E, SCE and SDG&E should each establish a Portfolio Allocation Balancing Account with vintaged subaccounts to account for billed revenues, generation resource costs, net California Independent System Operator market revenues (including those associated with energy and ancillary services), and revenues associated with the renewable energy Adder and the Resource Adequacy capacity in each vintaged portfolio.

2. Rulemaking 17-06-026 remains open.

This order is effective today.

Dated April 4, 2019, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MARYAM EBKE for

ALICE STEBBINS
Executive Director