Southern California Gas Company 2025 Post-Forum Report on System Reliability Issues

Overview

Pursuant to D.09-11-006 and SoCalGas Rule No. 41, Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) holds an annual Utility Customer Forum (Forum) each year concerning Operational Flow Orders (OFOs) and Minimum Flow Requirements. SoCalGas and the Forum participants are to collaborate in good faith to develop a post-Forum report. The post-Forum report will summarize the matters discussed at the relevant Forum and identify any action items, tariff changes, and/or procedural modifications that were found to be necessary by parties participating in the Forum. The post-Forum report will include descriptions of the proposals presented by Forum participants.

Annual Report

SoCalGas posted its Sixteenth Annual Report of System Reliability Issues (Sixteenth Annual Report/2025 Customer Forum Report) on its electronic bulletin board, SoCalGas ENVOY® (ENVOY), on May 7, 2025, addressing the matters described above. The report covered the 2025 Report Period from April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025. A copy of the Sixteenth Annual Report is included as Appendix 1 to this post-Forum Report.

Customer Forum

SoCalGas held its 2025 Forum on May 21, 2025, in compliance with Section 22 of Rule No. 41, to address the following matters with interested parties:

- i. Review the timing, method, formulas, and all inputs to formulas by which OFO events are triggered;
- ii. Review requests for the System Operator to acquire additional supplies to meet minimum flow requirements;
- iii. Review System Operator purchases/actions to meet minimum flow requirements and plans for the coming year by providing information regarding the individual transactions, including transactions executed pursuant to the System Operator contractual arrangements. Transaction-specific information shall identify price, volume, date, delivery/receipt points, and any special terms;

- iv. Review the need for any additional minimum flow requirements on the Utility system beyond then-current defined requirements;
- v. Review potential additional tools to support system operations and potential system improvements to reduce or eliminate the need for any minimum flowing supply requirements.

SoCalGas provided a presentation at the meeting and made it available to meeting participants after its conclusion. The presentation contained the agenda, overview, and summary of the operational matters and proposals as outlined in SoCalGas' Sixteenth Annual Report. Specific operational matters within the scope of the Customer Forum included: 1) Operational Flow Orders; and 2) System Reliability Transactions. Additional matters discussed included: 1) Scheduled Quantity Trades; 2) 2024 Cost Allocation Proceeding (CAP); 3) ENVOY updates; 4) Backbone Transportation Service (BTS); 5) Operational Updates – System Reliability Developments; and 6) Aliso Canyon Biennial Assessment Report.

A copy of the presentation is included as Appendix 2 to this post-Forum Report.

Approximately 123 persons representing customers, gas suppliers, and other interested parties attended the Forum. The relevant issues from the Sixteenth Annual Report as well as other operational matters were discussed. No questions were submitted by customers prior to the meeting.

Responses to questions received concerning the Customer Forum topics are presented below.

Operational Flow Orders

There were no questions asked regarding Operational Flow Orders.

System Reliability Transactions

There were no questions asked regarding System Reliability Transactions.

Scheduled Quantity Trades

There were no questions asked regarding Scheduled Quantity Trades.

2024 Cost Allocation Proceeding

There were no questions asked regarding the 2024 Cost Allocation Proceeding Service Modifications.

ENVOY Updates

There were no questions asked regarding ENVOY updates.

Backbone Transportation Service

There was a question regarding whether the G-BTS5 rate option will have the same scheduling priority as the G-BTS2 rate option. SoCalGas responded that the G-BTS5 rate option is a firm service option that will have the same scheduling priority as the G-BTS1 and G-BTS2 rate options.

Following the Forum there were additional questions received concerning Backbone Transportation Service.

There was a question regarding the breakdown of the reservation and volumetric charges for the G-BTS2 rate when it reverts to a modified fixed variable rate design. SoCalGas responded that the G-BTS2 rate will revert to a modified fixed variable rate effective October 1, 2026. A reservation and volumetric charge breakdown for G-BTS2 based on the current BTS rates is currently not available.

There was a question concerning the applicability of the new rate option (G-BTS5) to G-BTS1 and G-BTS2 contracts with terms extending beyond October 1, 2026. SoCalGas responded that existing contracts under the G-BTS1 rate or G-BTS2 rate would not be converted to the G-BTS5 rate when it becomes available.

Operational Update

There were no questions asked regarding Operational Update - System Reliability Developments.

Aliso Canyon Biennial Assessment Report

There were no questions asked regarding the Aliso Canyon Biennial Assessment Report.

Conclusion

The next Forum will be scheduled for Q2 2026.