

2 Permits

2.1 Codes and Ordinances

The construction of new or remodeled installations must conform to applicable provisions of the National Electrical Code (NEC), National Electrical Safety Code (NESC), State rules and regulations, city and county ordinances and codes, rules on file with or issued by regulators, Occupational Safety Health Administration (OSHA) rules during construction and maintenance, and PGE requirements.

2.2 Rights-of-Way

The applicant shall be responsible, without cost to PGE, for all permits, rights-of-ways, and easements required for the installation and maintenance of the electrical facilities that serve the applicant. A permit from the local jurisdiction is required before any work in the right-of-way may be performed. Only PGE approved excavation contractors and contractors who have made other special agreements with PGE will be allowed to work under PGE's street-opening permit. The contractor must notify the local jurisdiction 48 hours before work is to begin. A copy of the permit must be on site.

2.3 Application for Service

It is important that the applicant provide accurate load information in a timely manner to PGE and the requested service date. Requests for service to commercial and industrial customers normally require considerable advance planning by PGE in order to serve the load. All applicants should give a 60-day minimum lead time. Commercial and industrial Customers and other installations requiring special transformers or other equipment not in stock may require a six-month lead time or longer.

All applicants shall include a plot plan which shows the preferred service and meter location with requests for service. Commercial or industrial plot plans shall also show a single-line diagram of the electrical layout. Commercial or industrial applicants must provide all load information including lighting, water heating, cooking, space heating, air conditioning, and motor load. Sufficient information on equipment operations that estimate the kilowatt demand of the load should also be included. (See Service Request forms at the end of this book.)

PGE will provide assistance upon request to Customers on service requirements and problems relative to electric energy utilization for new, existing, and reconstructed installations. The Customer will be held liable for any personal injury or property damage if inadequate notice to and/or approval by PGE was not granted.

If changes in the service agreement are required, immediately contact PGE to set up alternative arrangements.

Local ordinances or state laws require that an applicant obtain appropriate permits before PGE establishes service. This may include approval of an electrical installation by the electrical inspection authority. Approval for service will be granted only after all service requirements have been met. This includes all requirements referenced in Section 2, as well as the requirements of this book and other PGE standards

