

**STOCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**GENERAL ORDER**

**POWER SHORTAGES**  
**SUBJECT**

**DATE:** March 1, 2005

**NO:** E-3

**FROM:** CHIEF ERIC JONES

**TO:** ALL PERSONNEL

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Electrical Power

**I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this general order is to establish a procedure to reduce electric power usage during periods in which Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) cannot meet full power demands.

**II. POLICY**

It is the policy of this department to conserve electrical power at all times. During times of power shortages, steps will be taken to reduce electrical power usage. This will be done at the direction of the Assistant Chief of the Administrative Services Division.

**III. PROCEDURE**

**A. Normal Operation:**

Lights and equipment in working areas will be on at a level necessary for job performance.

**B. Five/Ten Percent Reduction:**

1. Non-essential equipment shall be turned off.
2. Lights in areas not being used shall be turned off.

**C. Fifteen Percent Reduction:**

1. In addition to section "B", lighting in work areas will be reduced to the emergency operation level.

a. NOTE: The gray electrical switch in each work area and office is the emergency light level.

**D. Twenty Percent Reduction:**

1. In addition to section "C", one chiller in the air conditioning system shall be turned off (By authorized personnel).

**E. Total Power Outage:**

1. In the event there is a total power outage at the Stockton Police Department, PG&E will normally call Telecommunications Center with an update, via direct telephone lines. If PG&E does not call in a timely manner, the Telecommunications Center will call PG&E for an estimated time of repair. The Telecommunications Center will provide progress reports to the Watch Commander as the information is updated. The Telecommunications Center is capable of operating on battery power for several hours. However, the back-up generator will provide all necessary power to operate emergency equipment. If there is an extended

power outage after normal business hours and/or on weekends, The Telecommunications Center will call the Building Maintenance Supervisor at home regarding use of the emergency generator. The Telecommunications Center will notify the Assistant Chief of the Administrative Services Division at work, or at home, if there is an extended power shortage or complete power failure.

2. If the total power outage affects the rest of the City of Stockton, the Watch Commander will notify the Captain of the Field Operations Division. After normal business hours and on the weekend, the Duty Commander will be notified.