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SUBJECT: Electric Audit of PG&E's Sacramento Division . Davis Service Center.

On behalf of the Utilities Safety and Reliability Branch of the California Public Utilities Commission, Banu Acimis and I conducted an Electric Audit of PG&E's Sacramento Division from May 19 - 23, 2008. The audit included a review of your records for the period 2006-2008.

During the audit, we identified violations of one or more General Orders. A copy of the audit summary itemizing the violations is enclosed. Within 30 days of receipt of this letter, please advise me by electronic or hard copy of all corrective measures taken by PG&E regarding the violations and the date on which they were corrected.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 324-7144.

Sincerely,

Ivan Garcia
Utilities Engineer
Utilities Safety and Reliability Branch
Consumer Protection and Safety Division

CC: Ms. Holly Meyer-Zebzda, Quality Assurance
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Audit Summary

(I) GO 165, Section IV, Standards for Inspection, Record-keeping, and Reporting

Section IV, states in part: "For all inspections, within a reasonable period, company records shall specify the circuit, area, or equipment inspected, the name of the inspector, the date of the inspection, and any problems identified during each inspection, as well as the scheduled date of corrective action. For detailed and intrusive inspections, companies shall also rate the condition of inspected equipment. Upon completion of corrective action, company records will show the nature of the work, the date, and the identity of persons performing the work."

Currently, PG&E's patrol and inspection procedures do not require its staff to record all violations of GOs 95 and 128. Specifically, in the course of a GO 165 inspection, if PG&E staff encounters a facility with numerous violations, staff is instructed to create a maintenance order for the facility noting only the most severe violation at the facility. PG&E's practice of having its staff not record all violations of GOs 95 and 128 does not comply with GO 165. It is apparent that all violations identified during an inspection are not recorded at the time of the inspection, nor are violations recorded by follow-up crews who complete the maintenance orders generated during the initial inspections.