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Decision <u>89-07-066</u> JULY 19, 1989

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Investigation on the Commission's own motion into Pacific Gas and Electric Company's gas gathering operation, including the reasonableness of its charges and how it shall structure and offer the service in the future.

I.88-11-012 (Filed November 9, 1988)

ORDER DENVING REHEARING OF DECISION 89-04-089

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has filed an application for rehearing of Decision (D.) 89-04-089. We have carefully considered all the allegations of error in the application and are of the opinion that good cause for rehearing has not been demonstrated.

Although we do not believe that rehearing or modification of D.89-04-089 is warranted, some confusion exists regarding our mention of sequencing in that decision. In D.89-04-089 we stated that, "the actual cost of PG&E's gas gathering operations for sequencing purposes," was among the issues remaining in the proceeding. Some parties have interpreted this as a decision to evaluate PG&E's sequencing policies and decisions in this investigation.

To clarify, when we mentioned sequencing in our list of remaining issues we did not intend for it to be an invitation to consider sequencing policy in the gas gathering investigation. Rather, our goal in the instant proceeding is to obtain the data regarding the actual cost of PG&E's gas gathering operations which could be utilized in other proceedings where PG&E's sequencing decisions are evaluated. The specifics of these decisions are still to be left to reasonableness reviews as has been our policy.

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This order is effective today.

Dated July 19, 1989, at San Francisco, California.

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Commissioner Patricia M. Eckert, being necessarily absent, did not participate.

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