

From: Roscow, Steve
Sent: 1/15/2010 8:39:14 AM
To: Cherry, Brian K (/O=PG&E/OU=CORPORATE/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=BKC7);
Warner, Christopher (Law) (/O=PG&E/OU=Corporate/cn=Recipients/cn=CJW5)
Cc: Horner, Trina (/O=PG&E/OU=CORPORATE/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TNHC)
Bcc:
Subject: RE: Marin CCA/Ross Town Council meeting/Complaint about [Redacted]

Brian, Trina, Chris--

I'll respond just once to the several notes you all sent yesterday, so as to reduce this item's clutter in your inboxes.

To Brian, thank you for your gracious note below, and for breaking the logjam on this.

To Chris, thank you for your notes yesterday as well. I will give your responses on the policy matters some more thought, and I'm sure we'll have additional chances to discuss in the future.

Finally, I do want to return to the matter that started all of this, so as not to lose sight of the larger issue, and that is [Reda] description of the opt-out provisions as "slamming" during his remarks at the Ross Council meeting Tuesday night. I'll send a separate note about that, after giving it some more thought.

Steve

From: Cherry, Brian K [mailto:BKC7@PGE.COM]
Sent: Thu 1/14/2010 2:06 PM
To: Roscow, Steve; Warner, Christopher (Law)
Cc: Horner, Trina
Subject: RE: Marin CCA/Ross Town Council meeting/Complaint about [Redacted]

Steve - I've only heard bits and pieces of what transpired, but I do want to apologize on behalf of PG&E if our employees or their representatives offended you in any way. I understand that we will not always be on the same side of an issue, but it is my desire and our Company's position that we always engage people in a respectful manner. If we have done otherwise, then I apologize for that occurrence and mean so very sincerely. I've asked Chris to have [Redacted] reflect on his behavior and address you personally on the matter. I also will direct Chris through this email to respond to you in writing regarding your questions below.

From: Roscow, Steve [mailto:scr@cpuc.ca.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2010 1:25 PM
To: Warner, Christopher (Law)
Cc: Cherry, Brian K; Horner, Trina
Subject: RE: Marin CCA/Ross Town Council meeting/Complaint about [Redacted]

Chris,

Responding to your 2 voicemails yesterday:

I'd like a written response to my note, because I requested proof of any misleading statements that [Redacted] claims that I made to the council meetings in Marin. So I won't be calling you to discuss those matters—my note is clear. More to the point, Julie and Gurbux have suggested that I am likely wasting my time if I'm waiting for an apology, so I will do us both a favor and drop that request. Back to work, in other words.

On the substantive questions about shareholder funding, we can do formal discovery as we decide whether/how to pursue this further. In that event, I'll route those through Brian and Trina.

All the best to you—

Steve

Steve Roscow

CPUC Energy Division

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From: Warner, Christopher (Law) [mailto:CJW5@pge.com]

Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2010 10:19 AM

To: Roscow, Steve

Cc: Fitch, Julie A.; Kahlon, Gurbux; Clanon, Paul; Cherry, Brian K; Horner, Trina

Subject: RE: Marin CCA/Ross Town Council meeting/Complaint about [Redacted]

Thanks I'll call you to discuss.

From: Roscow, Steve [mailto:SCR@cpuc.ca.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2010 10:13 AM
To: Warner, Christopher (Law)
Cc: Fitch, Julie A.; Kahlon, Gurbux; Clanon, Paul; Cherry, Brian K; Horner, Trina
Subject: RE: Marin CCA/Ross Town Council meeting/Complaint about [Redacted]

Chris,

Thanks for the call, but my note did not identify any misunderstanding that needs to be cleared up. I asked some questions in my note below, so I'd appreciate a response to those questions. Then we can see where to go from there.

Steve Roscow

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From: Warner, Christopher (Law) [mailto:CJW5@PGE.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2010 9:40 AM
To: Roscow, Steve
Cc: Fitch, Julie A.; Kahlon, Gurbux; Clanon, Paul; Cherry, Brian K; Horner, Trina
Subject: RE: Marin CCA/Ross Town Council meeting/Complaint about [Redacted]

Thanks Steve. I left you a voicemail and would be happy to clear up any misunderstanding. Feel free to give me a call, 415-973-6695.

Chris

From: Roscow, Steve [mailto:SCR@cpuc.ca.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2010 12:32 AM

To: Warner, Christopher (Law)
Cc: Fitch, Julie A.; Kahlon, Gurbux; Clanon, Paul
Subject: Marin CCA/Ross Town Council meeting/Complaint about [Redacted]

Chris,

As you know, I've been attending the recent series of town meetings in Marin, where each town council has been voting on whether or not to continue its membership in the Marin CCA joint powers authority.

At most of those meetings, [Redacted] has identified himself as a consultant speaking on behalf of PG&E, though today he specified that he was speaking for a newly formed group called "Common Sense Coalition of Marin", a group he stated was funded by PG&E.

Near the end of his presentation tonight to the Ross Town Council, where he provided a number of reasons that Ross should withdraw from the JPA, [Red] equated the "opt-out" structure of the CCA statute to customers being "slammed" onto CCA service.

In fact, as you know, the opt-out structure was adopted as part of AB 117—it is not in any way, shape or form "slamming". It is required as part of the Public Utilities Code.

After the meeting, I told [Re] that I was concerned that he equated "opt-out" with slamming, because that is a practice that greatly concerns the CPUC, so we would not want that term inaccurately associated with CCA formation. I told [Red] that I would be contacting you, in order to ask you to ask him to stop using that term.

In response, [Red] immediately became angry and said that he objected to my repeatedly misinforming the councils about the role of the CPUC in implementing CCAs, whereupon I told him that if he had any specific complaints, he should contact my bosses. He said he would do so, then said he didn't need to waste his time talking to me, brushed past me and walked away. [Redacted] was standing right there, if you want to check any of this with him. [Redacted] remarks to the council were fine.

Based on the above, I have several requests to make of you, Chris:

First, if you can cite a single instance where I “misinformed” any council meeting about the CPUC’s role in all of this, I would like you to provide a copy of the council meeting transcript, with any such statements clearly indicated. I will say right now that I do not think you can provide a single example. What you do not know is that Julie and Gurbux made it very clear to me before I attended any meetings that I was to remain completely neutral in my remarks at these meetings, and I am 100% certain that I have done so. I know this because I really am neutral on whether CCAs are formed or not. Furthermore, I have been thanked for attending—and providing helpful clarifying information about the Commission’s role in implementing the CCA statute—a number of times, for example by the mayor of San Anselmo, the city attorney of San Anselmo, and I’d say by the entire County Board of Supervisors this morning, and the Ross Council tonight. None of the council members has raised any objection at all to anything that I said.

Second, I would like to know from you if PG&E shareholders have been paying for [Reda] services, and if so, whether you believe that PG&E shareholders are somehow entitled to pay a lobbyist (who is being managed by PG&E staffers funded by ratepayers) to call a Commission staffer a liar in a public place, as [Re] did tonight. Accusing me of “misinforming” the councils is no different.

If your answer to the 2 questions above is “no”, I would like to request an apology from you, or whoever at PG&E is “managing” [Reda] work, and I would like PG&E to have [Red] apologize to me as well. You and I have interacted a fair amount in the last few years, and I hope you have gotten to know me well enough to understand that I will not sit by and have anyone associated with PG&E speak to me in that manner, whether they are paid by “ratepayers” or “shareholders”. I also will not sit by and have the Commission’s actions misrepresented, as [Red] has been doing consistently at every meeting I have attended, even after I corrected his description of the Commission’s role at the first meeting that he and I attended together (in Mill Valley, January 4th).

Steve