

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
General Rate Case 2011 Phase I
Application 09-12-020
Data Response**

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SUBJECT: ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES FOR MWC BF, BG, AND BK

QUESTION 1

PG&E forecasted \$127.579 million for its Electric Distribution Operations and Maintenance expenses for the test year 2011 which is an increase of 27.44% over 2008 expenses of \$100.111 million. The expenses are recorded in three Major Work Categories (MWC): BK with a forecast of \$2.057 million; BF with a forecast of \$40.712 million; and BG with a forecast of \$84.810 million.

PG&E forecasted \$2.057 million for MWC BK, Scrapping and Repair of Transformers-Single Phase Pole Bolt Units. PG&E's increase for Scrapping and Repair of Transformers-Single Phase Pole Bolt is based on its plans to increase the units of repairs from 2,146 in 2008 to 2,700 in 2011. PG&E reduced its 2011 forecast for MWC BK from the forecast that it had in its NOI from \$4.515 million to \$2.057 million. PG&E's forecast reduction is shown in its line item for Scrapping and Repair of Transformers-All Other Sizes and Styles which was reduced from a forecast of \$2.458 million in the NOI to zero in the application. PG&E states that the reduction is due to an accounting change and that portion will now be capitalized.

- a) Provide the documentation that identifies/shows the number of equipment repaired and the unit cost for Scrapping and Repair of Transformers-Single Phase Pole Bolt as well as the total cost for each year for 2004 through 2009.

ANSWER 1A

PG&E objects to this question on the grounds that portions of the question ask for actual 2009 data, which is not the basis of PG&E's 2011 GRC request. Notwithstanding the foregoing, and without waiving PG&E's right to object to the admissibility of the requested information into evidence, PG&E responds as follows.

For recorded data from 2004 through 2008, see page WP-2-24, Table 2-18 of the workpapers.

Preliminary recorded data for 2009:

Description	Units	Unit Cost	Total Dollars (in Thousands)
Units of Transformers Repaired	1,402	\$1,025	\$1,437
Transformers Scrapped	17,027	\$128	(\$4,180) (a)

(a) Due to PG&E's recent account practice relating to transformer scrapping involving a reclassification from expense to capital, the 2009 recorded cost is a negative number.