

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
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Data Response**

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

QUESTION 2R

PG&E forecasted \$40.712 million for MWC BF. This is an increase of \$7.487 million or 22.53% over 2008 recorded adjusted expenses of \$33.225 million. PG&E's MWC BF includes individual forecasts for ten subaccounts/line items. The questions below relate to the following five subaccounts/line items and forecast: \$4.984 million for Poles Patrolled, \$11.122 million for Poles Inspected, \$2.398 million for Enclosures Patrolled, \$10.464 million for Enclosures Inspected, and \$0.857 million for Poles Infrared Inspected.

- r) PG&E states that it "forecasts an increase in forecasted units due to Division's planned preventive maintenance plans" (page 2-22). Note that PG&E's enclosures inspected for 2007 and 2008 were relatively flat at 120,135 for 2007 and 120,478 for 2008 and are forecasted to decline in 2011 to 116,328. Provide the documentation that explains in detail the specific reasons for the decrease in 2011.

ANSWER 2R

PG&E has an error in its testimony on page 2-22 (line 24). PG&E will submit an errata to reflect PG&E forecasts as a decrease in the number of units for 2011.

It is normal for the number of enclosures inspected to fluctuate from year-to-year because PG&E manages enclosure inspection work by using plat maps that are specifically prepared to comply with General Order (GO) 165 inspection requirements. The number of enclosures within the geographic area encompassed on plat maps varies from map to map. In addition, for the 2011 forecasted units, this forecast includes a 4% growth factor for enclosure counts (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 2, page 2-2, lines 1-2).