

**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 2H

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.

- h) PG&E states that it "projects new work of handling special field requests such as obtaining asset manufacturer information or facility information" at a cost of \$5.00 per pole. Provide the documentation that explains how this work was handled during 2004 through 2008. If this work was not done, provide the documentation that explains in detail why this work was never done during 2004 through 2008. If this work was performed during 2004 through 2008, provide the recorded expenses for the work performed.

ANSWER 2H

There is no documentation regarding this work over the period from 2004-2008, because during this period such work was not formally tracked and was performed on a one-off basis. Based on business judgment, PG&E believes this type of work is likely to increase based on aging infrastructure and it is more efficient to have this work performed during an inspection, which reduces the expenditure to an incremental cost.