PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY General Rate Case 2011 Phase I Division of Ratepayer Advocates Data Response

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SUBJECT: CORPORATE RELATIONS DEPARTMENT COSTS

QUESTION 4 SUPPLEMENTAL

I need to get a clarification in regards to your response to Question 4 of this data request. Are these 5 positions in Internal Communications Department new positions requested in the GRC?

Is the forecasted 44% increase due to these 5 needed positions? I see there is a \$1,481,548 difference from 2008 recorded adjusted to the 2009 forecast amount. What do you attribute this 44% increase to?

Answer 4 also states that these vacancies in 2009 are a result of a new service model, can you please state the name of this service model? Is this service model currently in place?

ANSWER 4 SUPPLEMENTAL

Yes, that is correct, these 5 positions in Internal Communications Department are the same new positions requested in the GRC.

Yes, the forecasted increase is due to these 5 needed positions. For the record, PG&E will file an errata to correct the calculation of the labor increase in Workpaper 12-40, which should be 47%, not 44%, as referenced in this question. The change year over year at 47% is calculated as follows.

| | <u>2008</u> | <u>2009</u> | <u>%</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| 920-A&G Salaries | | | |
| Direct Labor | 1,611,055 | 2,678,937 | 40% |
| Labor Charges In/ Out | 86,821 | 500,489 | 83% |
| Total 920 | 1,697,877 | 3,179,425 | 47% |

The increase in 2009 is attributed to the 5 new hires originally planned to start in the beginning of 2009 and the annual labor escalation of \$60K, at 3.75%.

The service model does not have a name; however, this model is currently in use. Currently, contractors have been assisting Internal Communications until the full time employees are hired. Tasking employees with becoming subject experts for each of PG&E's major functions results in faster and more effective communications but requires more staff to provide adequate coverage.