

**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 1F**

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): BG with a forecast of \$84.810 million; BK with a forecast of \$2.057 million; and BF with a forecast of \$40.712 million. The questions below relate to MWC BG.

PG&E forecasted \$84.810 million for MWC BG. This is an increase of \$22.033 million or 35.10% over 2008 recorded adjusted expenses of \$62.777 million. PG&E's MWC BG includes individual forecasts for twenty subaccounts/line items.

- f) During 2004 through 2008 PG&E's unit cost for overhead notifications increased each year from \$751 in 2004 to \$1,537 in 2008 and is forecasted to remain relatively stable at \$1,583 in 2011 while the forecasted units are expected to increase. Provide the documentation that explains in detail why the 2011 unit cost is forecasted to remain relatively stable to the 2008 unit cost as compared to the unit cost increases each year for 2004 through 2008.

**ANSWER 1F**

The 2011 unit cost forecast (\$1,584) is based on escalating the 2010 unit cost (\$1,533) by 3.3%. The 2010 unit forecast is based on the judgment of Electric Distribution Maintenance (EDM) program management personnel in consultation with EDM division personnel responsible for executing the work. PG&E believes the 2011 unit cost forecast is appropriate and the Company does not anticipate the unit cost will increase as it did in during 2004 through 2008. There is no further documentation. For information regarding the 2004 through 2008 unit costs, see the response to Question 1G of this data request.