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

QUESTION 1H

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.

h) PG&E's units for overhead notifications in 2008 was 11,312 and is forecasted to increase to 11,776 in 2009 and decrease to 8,188 in 2010. Provide the documentation that explains in detail if PG&E's request in its 2007 GRC included funding to perform maintenance work relating to overhead notifications which is embedded in its 2008 recorded expenses.

ANSWER 1H

PG&E's 2007 GRC electric distribution maintenance expenditure forecast was based on an aggregation of units of work and associated average unit costs. See 2007 GRC Exhibit (PG&E-4), Chapter 2, p. 2-46, Table 2-10, line 1, which provides the expense forecast for this work for 2007. The forecast was not based on a list of specific locations or projects with individual cost estimates. Consequently, no lists exist from the 2007 GRC that would allow PG&E to determine if any particular locations or projects included in PG&E's 2007 GRC forecast are embedded in 2008 recorded expenses.

As is customary in rate cases, for the 207 GRC, PG&E forecast expense expenditures for the 2007 test-year and not 2008.

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