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7-5	Table 7-2, Line 4	2011 Depreciation Expense	21,069	21,608
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7-5	Table 7-2, Line 11	2011 WAVG Reserve	1,435,286	1,435,285
7-5	Table 7-2, Line 17	2011 WAVG Reserve	1,636,641	1,636,640
7-7	Table 7-3, Line 4	2009	316,116	315,706
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4	Transmission: Northern Path – Line 401 (521)	762,282	766,084	<u>787,604</u> 766,923
 5	Transmission: Northern Path – Line 400 (522)	136,802	139,710	<u>163,628</u> <u>184,303</u>
6	Transmission: Northern Path – Line 2 (523)	51,837	51,909	51,949
7	Transmission: Southern Path – Line 300 North Milpitas to Panoche (524)	102,681	105,589	106,353
8	Transmission: Southern Path – Line 300 South Topock to Panoche (525)	461,195	490,085	512,588
9	Transmission: Bay Area Loop (526)	78,231	83,078	84,364
10	Customer Access Charge (CAC) (540)	20,693	21,927	23,425
11	Gas Transmission Total	\$2,902,583	\$3,020,198	\$3,175,446
				<u>\$3,175,452</u>
12	Gas Storage			
13	Storage Services – McDonald Island (511)	\$392,344	\$405,232	\$419,274
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15	Storage Services – Gill Ranch (513)	2,145	21,291	59,146
16	Gas Storage Total	\$506,353	\$543,950	\$603,921
17	Gas Transmission and Storage Total	\$3,408,936	\$3,564,147	\$3,779,367 \$3,779,373

Workpaper PS-8 provides additional supporting detail to the data in this table.

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2	in Table 7-2, in determining PG&E's GT&S 2011 revenue requirement.
3	In addition, PG&E requests that the Commission adopt its 2011
4	forecast of \$1,435.3 million for gas transmission-related WAVG
5	depreciation reserve and \$201.4 million for gas storage-related WAVG
6	depreciation reserve, as presented in Table 7-2.

TABLE 7-2
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
2011 FORECAST DEPRECIATION EXPENSE AND WAVG RESERVE
GAS TRANSMISSION AND STORAGE BY UCC
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

		2011	
Line		Depreciation	
No.	UCC	Expense	2011 WAVG Reserve
1	Gas Transmission		
2	Gathering [501]	\$2,141	\$37,598
3	Local Transmission [520]	35,067	544,143
		<u>21,608</u>	
4	Transmission: Northern Path – Line 401 [521]	21,069	<u>342,161</u> <u>346,809</u>
5	Transmission: Northern Path – Line 400 [522]	4,969 5,507	<u>101,239 96,592</u>
6	Transmission: Northern Path – Line 2 [523]	1,161	25,314
	Transmission: Southern Path – Line 300 North Milpitas to		
7	Panoche [524]	2,817	50,210
	Transmission: Southern Path – Line 300 South Topock to		
8	Panoche [525]	16,841	284,656
9	Transmission: Bay Area Loop [526]	2,511	35,689
10	Customer Access Charge (CAC) [540]	1,341	14,275
11	Gas Transmission Total	\$88,456	<u>1,435,285</u> \$ 1,435,286
12	Gas Storage		
13	Storage Services – McDonald Island [511]	\$11,342	\$151,687
14	Storage Services – Los Medanos/Pleasant Creek [512]	3,672	50,316
15	Storage Services – Gill Ranch [513]	1,431	(649)
16	Gas Storage Total	\$16,445	\$201,354
17	Gas Transmission and Storage Total	\$104,901	<u>1,636,640</u> \$ 1,636,641

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7	The 2011 forecasted depreciation expense is a \$14.3 million
8	increase (\$10 million increase for gas transmission, and \$4.3 million for
9	gas storage) over the 2008 base year recorded depreciation expense.
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11	increase of 6.6 percent, 4.7 percent, and 3.7 percent for 2009, 2010,
12	and 2011, respectively.

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PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
WAVG RATE BASE BY GAS TRANSMISSION AND STORAGE UCC
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line	1100	0000	0000	0040	0044
No.	UCC	2008	2009	2010	2011
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2	Gathering (501)	\$26,065	\$21,429	\$23,615	\$25,128
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	(521)	372,123	<u>315,706</u>	305,532	317,307
5	Transmission: Northern Path – Line 400		25,734	25,137	73,545
	(522)	28,211	<u> 26,144</u>	<u>25,078</u>	<u>48,628</u>
6	Transmission: Northern Path – Line 2				
	(523)	24,063	23,165	21,889	21,716
7	Transmission: Southern Path – Line 300				
	North Milpitas to Panoche (524)	48,767	46,666	46,964	45,402
8	Transmission: Southern Path – Line 300				
	South Topock to Panoche (525)	150,849	152,608	169,476	180,998
9	Transmission: Bay Area Loop (526)	42,301	38,563	41,591	40,365
10	Customer Access Charge (CAC) (540)	7,000	7,242	7,855	8,791
					\$1,393,579
11	Gas Transmission Total	\$1,217,971	\$1,234,304	\$1,287,836	<u>\$1,393,586</u>
12	Gas Storage				
13	Storage Services – McDonald Island				
	(511)	\$221,325	\$227,104	\$231,023	\$235,190
14	Storage Services – Los Medanos/				
	Pleasant Creek (512)	48,407	58,917	61,397	66,263
15	Storage Services – Gill Ranch (513)	130	2,277	21,696	58,021
16	Gas Storage Total	\$269,862	\$288,298	\$314,117	\$359,474
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17	Gas Transmission and Storage Total	\$1,487,832	\$1,522,602	\$1,601,953	\$1,753,060

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The 2011 forecast WAVG rate base cumulatively increased
\$265.2 million (\$175.6 million increase for gas transmission, and
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Of the total cumulative increase of \$323.3 million in the gas transmission plant forecast from 2008 to 2011, approximately \$257 million (or 80 percent) is attributable to plant increase in UCC 520:

Local Transmission. Of the total cumulative increase of \$131.5 million in 2 the gas storage plant forecast from 2008 to 2011, approximately \$59 million (or 45 percent) is attributable to UCC 513: Storage Services – Gill Ranch Gas Storage, and approximately \$44.6 million (or 34 percent) is attributable to plant increase in UCC 512 511: Storage Services – McDonald Island. Refer to Chapter 6, "Capital Expenditures," Chapter 2, "Gas Transmission Facilities and Services," and Chapter 3, "Gas Storage Facilities and Services" for a discussion on local transmission, Gill Ranch, and McDonald Island.

PG&E's forecast for GT&S plant is reasonable and justified because the Company:

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