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## **SAN FRANCISCO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE STATEMENT ON CPUC INDEPENDENT EVALUATION OF PG&E SMART METERS**

**SAN FRANCISCO** – The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce urges San Francisco City Attorney Dennis Herrera to reconsider the city’s petition to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) calling for a moratorium of PG&E’s Smart Meter technology in light of the independent evaluation released today finding that PG&E’s smart meter technology is “performing accurately” and “consistent with industry standards.”

The evaluation – conducted by The Structure Group and commissioned by CPUC – included nearly 900 meters in laboratory testing, field meter testing, and end-to-end system testing. The study found that all of the tested Smart Meters and systems were working accurately and that customer billing matched the expected results.

“Based on the findings of this report, we can now move forward with confidence to implement smart grid technology in California to the benefit of consumers, our economy and our environment,” said Chamber Senior Vice President of Public Policy Jim Lazarus. “If we want to use less power, speed adoption of renewable energy sources and move toward new technologies like electric vehicles, we need to embrace smart grid improvements like smart meters. Ultimately high wage-green jobs require a green grid – and smart meters are the foundation of a modern utility grid.”

The Structure Group evaluation demonstrates that there is no basis for a petition against PG&E over its smart meters. In fact, the petition will only slow the adoption of safe, green technology across California.

“The city attorney’s petition is pure hypocrisy,” Lazarus added. “The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) is implementing the same smart meter technology as PG&E. We hope the City Attorney reads this report and makes the correct decision to drop this unwise and expensive action against the same smart meter technology benefiting the SFPUC.”

More information on The Structure Group report is available at: [www.cpuc.ca.gov](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov). More information on the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce is available at [www.sfchamber.com](http://www.sfchamber.com).

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