

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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October 15, 2010

Via E-Mail

Brian K. Cherry
Vice President, Regulatory Relations
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
77 Beale Street, Room 1087
San Francisco, CA 94105

Re: Safety Response to the San Bruno Pipeline Explosion

Dear Mr. Cherry:

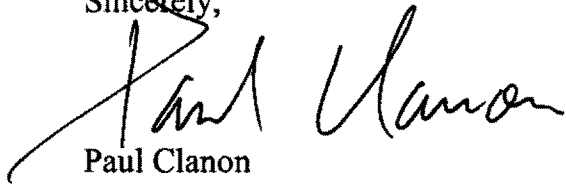
Pursuant to the California Public Utilities Commission's safety oversight over Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E's) natural gas pipelines, I direct PG&E to provide the following information:

- 1) A gas curtailment plan for San Francisco and portions of the Peninsula affected by the Commission-ordered reduction in pressure on the local transmission system downstream of the Milpitas Terminal to the extent that the Commission were to determine it would be unsafe to allow PG&E to increase the operating pressure at this time.
- (2) An electricity contingency plan in the event gas service is curtailed to the Potrero Power Plant.
- (3) The results of the "detailed analysis," which on the bottom of page 1 of PG&E President Johns' September 20, 2010 letter to me, he stated that PG&E was performing concerning the effects of the reduction of operating pressure and the possible strategies to reduce or avoid customer curtailments this winter. He committed to share the results of PG&E's analysis with me and my staff.

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In light of the urgency of this matter, please provide this information by October 22, 2010 to me and to each of the individuals listed on the Cc: line below.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Clanon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "P".

Paul Clanon
Executive Director

Cc: Richard Clark
Julie Halligan
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