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Oh boy.

On Feb 26, 2011, at 9:58 AM, "Cherry, Brian K" <BKC7@pge.com> wrote:

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All:

Yesterday, Kirk Johnson, Melissa Lavinson and I participated in a meeting via videoconference with Congresswoman Speier and her staff. In addition, Sumeet Singh attended the meeting in her district office and brought maps that she requested showing the actual pipeline segments with characteristics similar to the San Bruno pipe.

Specifically, the Congresswoman is interested in Consolidated Western pipe, and where else it is located in our system. Kirk emphasized that we took a broader scope, instead focusing on gas transmission pipeline that is pre-1962, 30" in diameter, located in Class 1 & 2/HCA 3 & 4 locations, with Double Submerged Arc Welding, and for which we have no records of pressure tests. Of 1021 HCA pipeline miles, these segments comprise a total of 31 miles. In addition, we have reduced the pressure on the entire pipelines with these segments by 20% for an additional margin of safety.

There was some discussion about the manufacturing processes and pressure testing, as well as how Consolidated Western practices compared to other manufacturers of the time. We also talked about different methods of pipeline inspection, and which methods could be used to test the welds. We indicated that at this time the best method is using in-line cameras, and also explained the unintended consequences of hydropressure testing on pipelines. Kirk also stressed that ultimately we need to wait for the final results of the NTSB investigation to determine what we are looking for, and the best way to find it going forward.

She also wanted to know when the maps we showed her would be public, and we

indicated we had no plans to do so, but have been updating our state and local officials on the presence of pipelines with these segments, where we have reduced pressure. We also indicated that we offered the same opportunity to show them the exact segments, and she wants a report on who we meet with, and who declines the briefing.

She also had some concerns, with the cold weekend in San Francisco, about non-core hospitals, and whether they indeed have back up sources generators in place. She wanted a list of those non-core hospitals, and we explained we could not share that with her as it is confidential customer information. She was not pleased with that answer, but we were able to explain later to her staff why that is such a complicated issue. Ultimately, she may call on the PUC to enforce the back up generator requirement of our non-core program.

Thank you to Kirk who as always, did a great job at this meeting and to Sumeet for his support as well. Please let me know if you have any questions,

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