BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Authority, Among Other Things, to Increase Rates and Charges for Electric and Gas Service Effective on January 1, 2011. (U39M).

Order Instituting Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion into the Rates, Operations, Practices, Services and Facilities of Pacific Gas and Electric Company Application 09-12-020 (Filed December 21, 2009)

I.10-07-027 (Filed July 29, 2010)

NOTICE OF *EX PARTE* COMMUNICATIONS OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Pursuant to Rule 8.3(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby gives notice of the following ex parte communications. The communications occurred on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 at approximately 1:30 p.m., and Thursday, March 3, 2011 at approximately 1:30 p.m. (respectively), by telephone to the offices of the California Public Utilities Commission. The communications were oral. [(Rule 8.3(a)]

John Hughes, Director-Regulatory Relations, PG&E, initiated the communications with Scott Murtishaw, Advisor to Commission President Michael Peevey. [Rule 8.3(b)]

Mr. Hughes called and spoke with Mr. Murtishaw on Wednesday, March 2. Mr. Hughes said that Ordering Paragraph (OP) 42 in both the Proposed Decision (PD) and the Alternate Proposed Decision (APD) referred to a March 1, 2011 compliance date for reporting certain information on expense and capital expenditure information. He stated that since a final decision will not be issued before March 24, 2011 at the earliest, it would not be possible to comply with the March 1 date. Mr. Hughes asked that PG&E be permitted to file the first of these compliance reports 90-days after the final decision is approved by the Commission. He further stated that PG&E can comply with the March 1, 2012 and 2013 dates addressed in the same OP 42.

Mr. Hughes called back on Thursday, March 3, and left a voice mail message for Mr. Murtishaw. He stated that in the comments on the PD and APD that PG&E will be filing on March 14, 2011, it will address some income tax effects associated with the accelerated amortization of the electromechanical meters. He stated that it will result in a slight increase in the revenue requirement. He also stated that the company is still quantifying the effect but expects it to be around \$2 million to \$5 million. [Rule 8.3(c)]

To obtain a copy of this notice, please notify Sally Cuaresma at (415) 973-5012 or via email at a2c7@pge.com.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 7, 2011

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY ELECTRONIC MAIL OR U.S. MAIL

I, the undersigned, state that I am a citizen of the United States and am employed in the City and County of San Francisco; that I am over the age of eighteen (18) years and not a party to the within cause; and that my business address is Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Regulatory Relations Department B10C, 77 Beale Street, San Francisco, California 94105.

I am readily familiar with the business practice of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service. In the ordinary course of business, correspondence is deposited with the United States Postal Service the same day it is submitted for mailing.

On March 7, 2011, I caused to be served a true copy of:

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I certify and declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on March 7, 2011 at San Francisco, California.

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