

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company Proposing
Cost of Service and Rates for Gas Transmission and Storage
Services for the Period 2011-2014 (U39G)

Application 09-09-013
(Filed September 18, 2009)

NOTICE OF JOINT *EX PARTE* COMMUNICATION

Pursuant to Rule 8.3(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), The Utility Reform Network (TURN) and Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA), and Winston & Strawn LLP, representing Calpine Corporation and California Cogeneration Council, hereby give notice of the following joint ex parte communication. The communication occurred on Thursday, April 7, 2011, at approximately 4:00 p.m., at the offices of California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The communication was oral and the attached handout along with Table B-1, Illustrative End-Use Class Average Rates (\$/dth), of the Gas Accord V Settlement Agreement (A.09-09-013), filed August 20, 2010 Appendix B, pg. B-1 were provided. [Rule 8.3(a)(c)]

Jennifer Dowdell, Director-Regulatory Relations, PG&E, initiated the communication with Michael Colvin, Energy Advisor to Commissioner Mark Ferron. Also present were: Roger Graham Acting Director-Gas Engineering Operations, and Redacted Attorney, both for PG&E; Marcel Hawiger, Staff Attorney for TURN; Pearlle Sabino, Regulatory Analyst, for DRA; and Joe Karp, Attorney with Winston & Strawn LLP, representing Calpine Corporation and California Cogeneration Council. [Rule 8.3(b)]

Ms. Dowdell stated that PG&E along with the Gas Accord settling parties were interested seeing the Settlement approved expeditiously. Mr. Graham, Mr. Hawiger, and Mr. Karp

explained the key elements of the settlements including the one-way balancing account for safety and integrity funds. Ms. Sabino quantified the rate impact on residential customers. [Redacted] highlighted the significant record that supported the proposed decision (PD). Mr. Graham and Mr. Karp expressed that the PD gave careful consideration to the contested issues and arrived at a fair conclusion. [Rule 8.3(c)]

To obtain a copy of this notice, please notify [Redacted] at [Redacted] or via email at [Redacted]

Respectfully submitted,

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