

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
San Bruno GT Line Rupture Investigation
Data Response**

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QUESTION 12

Since the beginning of the GPRP to the present, does/did PG&E have the authority to shift unspent funds from one element of the GPRP to another (e.g., can PG&E shift unspent funds projected to be used for gas distribution pipeline replacements to gas transmission pipeline replacement projects?) If not, explain why.

ANSWER 12

As with other items in PG&E's General Rate Cases, the Commission adopted estimates of future expenditures for the GPRP. There were no limitations on the pattern of recorded expenditures. PG&E explained that its pattern of expenditures were subject to change in the annual GPRP reports. For example, in the 1990 GPRP report, PG&E stated: "The estimated future expenditures and facility replacements shown in the tables and charts are subject to change. Funds may need to be moved among the divisions, the region transmission departments, and the subprograms -- cast iron, pre-1931 steel and transmission. This flexibility is necessary because of unforeseen events, such as changes in operating conditions"