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July 27, 2011

Julie Halligan
Deputy Director
Consumer Protection and Safety Division
California Public Utilities Commission

Re: July 15, 2011 Letter to PG&E, Procedure for removing, handling, and transporting samples for testing

Dear Director Halligan,

This letter confirms the agreement between the Consumer Protection and Safety Division (CPSD) and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) on July 22, 2011 regarding the July 15, 2011 letter that CPSD sent to PG&E pertaining to the procedure for removing, handling, and transporting pipe samples for testing.

As discussed, PG&E will follow the bulleted procedures as well as the data collection and marking procedures in the July 15, 2011 letter specifically for sections of pipe removed for cause or indication. CPSD clarified that the requested procedure did not apply more broadly to all pipe removed, such as pipe removed for hydrostatic testing, camera inspection, or class location work. With this understanding, PG&E has moved forward in implementing the radiographing procedures contained in the July 15, 2011 letter.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Hayes".

William Hayes
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