

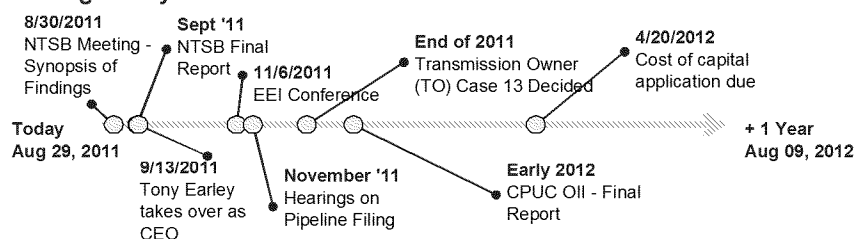
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PG&E CORP (PCG)

Pipeline Safety Plan Filed, Assuming Shareholders Incur \$535mm In Costs

- What Happened?:** On August 26th, PCG filed its "Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan" with the CPUC to address pipeline pressure testing and replacement procedures, as well as retrofits to accommodate in line inspection and remote shut-off valves. The plan is in response to a June 9th request by the CPUC as part of its OIR on pipeline safety matters.
- Financial Impact to Shareholders:** The plan would be implemented in two phases. Phase one would extend from 2011 to 2014 to coincide with the current gas rate case period, and phase II would begin in 2015. The proposal requests cost recovery for phase one only. Of the \$2.2 Bn expenditure planned through 2014 (\$1.4 Bn of capital, \$750m of operating expense), PCG proposes that shareholders absorb a total of \$535m (mostly operating expense), while the remainder is recovered in rates. The proposal calls for revenue increases of \$247m, \$221m and \$331m in 2012, 2013 and 2014 respectively. The \$535m borne by shareholders does not include ongoing costs associated with regulatory and legal proceedings and other gas pipeline-related activities outside the scope of the Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan, nor potential fines or penalties.
- Our Base Case Assumptions:** Our model assumes that PCG shareholders bear \$1 Bn of total costs in 2011 and 2012 and that PCG's equity ratio and ROE are lowered in the 2012 cost of capital proceeding. At its current valuation, we think the stock discounts >\$3 Bn of total shareholder costs. If the plan PCG filed on 8/26 is accepted the capital investments would be \$0.15 acc retive to our EPS forecast through 2015.
- What's next?:** At 9:30am on Tuesday, August 30th, the NTSB will hold a public meeting to discuss its determination of the probable cause of the San Bruno disaster and to consider proposed safety recommendations. After the meeting the NTSB will release a synopsis of its findings. It will release the entire report on its website in several weeks. The CPUC procedural schedule calls for hearings on the proposal in November. PCG asks that the Commission issue a final decision by early 2012.

Upcoming Catalyst Timetable



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Summary Financial Data

Ticker	PCG
ISI Rating	BUY
Price Target	46.50

Market Cap (\$ Bn)	16.5
Share Price (as at 8/26/11)	41.09
Shares Outstanding	400.7
2011 Dividend Per Share	1.82
Dividend Yield	4.4%
Payout Ratio	51.3%

	ISI Est.		% □	Consensus	
	EPS	PE		EPS	PE
2011E	3.55	11.6x	0.8%	3.52	11.7x
2012E	3.65	11.3x	-0.4%	3.67	11.2x
2013E	3.50	11.7x	-2.9%	3.60	11.4x
2014E	3.65	11.3x	-0.9%	3.68	11.2x

	Div Yld	+	Price Return	=	Total Return
PCG	4.4%	+	13.2%	=	17.6%
Group Avg	4.3%	+	2.6%	=	6.9%

Excess Total Return 10.6%

Excess Return Ranking 1 of 18

Valuation and Risks

- Using our proprietary ISI Dividend Discount Model we value PCG at \$46.50/ share, which is 13.3x our '13 consolidated EPS estimate of \$3.50/ share.
- We see downside to the current stock price assuming a more significant ROE reduction in '13 and >\$200bn of incremental un-recovered San Bruno costs post 2012.
- Assuming a more benign outcome in the Cost of Capital case in '12, no more San Bruno costs we see upside to \$50/share.

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