PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY San Bruno GT Line Rupture I nvestigation Data Response

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QUESTION 10

What potential impacts are there for LSEs in PG&E's natural gas distribution area?

- 1. Delivery of natural gas to munis and muni power plants?
- 2. Delivery of energy from curtailed power plants to LSEs with contracts?
- 3. Transmission/distribution impacts to LSEs?

ANSWER 10

<u>Response to Item 1</u>: Municipal utilities that have core customers are provided core level of service for their core customers. Municipal utilities that have power plants that are classified as noncore are subject to noncore curtailments according to Gas Rule 14. PG&E is committed to work with all customers to achieve the necessary load reduction with minimal impact to the plants or essential services provided by the plants

<u>Response to Item 2</u>: In the event of a required electric curtailment due to localized issues with reliability, the system operator of the area will determine the course of action. If reliability concerns occur within the CAISO control area, the CAISO has systematic processes to safely shed load. The CAISO should make such processes available to the CPUC upon request.

If electric reliability concerns occur outside of the CAISO control area, the system operator of that area would determine appropriate actions (e.g. load shed) based on its defined procedures.

<u>Response to Item 3</u>: No electric transmission or distribution issues have been identified due to changes on the natural gas system. PG&E has been working with LSE's, such as Turlock Irrigation District, in the scheduling of hydro tests so as to address their concerns about possible reliability impacts. This issue is still being analyzed.