

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

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the Commission's Own Motion to Adopt New Safety and Reliability Regulations for Natural Gas Transmission and Distribution Pipelines and Related Ratemaking Mechanisms.

Rulemaking 11-02-019
(Filed February 24, 2011)

**NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION
OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**

Pursuant to Rule 8.4(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby gives notice of the following ex parte communication. The communication occurred on Thursday, September 1, 2011, at approximately 11:00 a.m. at the offices of the California Public Utilities Commission. The communication was oral and a handout was provided, which is attached to this notice. [(Rule 8.4(a)(c))]

Jennifer Dowdell, Director, Regulatory Relations, PG&E, initiated the communication with Commissioner Catherine J.K. Sandoval. Other attendees present were Colette Kersten (Advisor to Commissioner Sandoval); Jane Yura (Vice President-Gas Engineering and Operations, PG&E); Brian Cherry (Vice President-Regulatory Relations, PG&E); Todd Hogenson (Director-Implementation Plan Engineering, PG&E); and Bill Manheim (Attorney-Law, PG&E). [Rule 8.4(b)]

Mr. Hogenson explained the work proposed in PG&E's comprehensive, multi-year Plan to meet new safety and regulatory requirements. Ms. Dowdell stated that

PG&E has already started some of the work proposed. Ms. Yura indicated that the hydro-testing work proposed for 2011 was on track so far. Mr. Cherry discussed PG&E's shareholder allocation and revenue recovery approach, and stated that the cost of the Plan would reflect an increase of 3%-5% on the total average bill for all customers. [Rule 8.4(c)]

Respectfully submitted,

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