

**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 15, 2011, at approximately 2:45 p.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 Sarah Thomas (Advisor to Commissioner Mark Ferron). [Rule 8.4(b)]

Ms. Dowdell explained that the illustrative rate impact percentages for transportation customers described in Chapter 10 (table 10-3) of PG&E's testimony reflected only part of the cost of gas. Assuming costs equivalent to PG&E small commercial core procurement rates as shown in table 10-4 the average customer impact on the total cost of delivered gas is roughly 5%. [Rule 8.4(c)]

Respectfully submitted,

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