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Pursuant to Rule 8.3 of the California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC's) Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Black Economic Council, Latino Business Chamber of Greater Los Angeles and the National Asian American Coalition (cumulatively "Joint Parties") hereby gives notice of the ex parte communications described below.

On December 6, via telephonic conference at approximately 11:30 A.M., the Joint Parties Parties met with Commissioner Mike Florio and Sepideh Khosrowjah, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Florio. The Joint Parties were represented by Faith Bautista, President and CEO of the National Asian American Coalition, Jorge Corralejo, Chairman of the Latino Busi ness Chamber of Greater Los Angeles, Robert Gnaizda, of Counsel to the Joint Parties, and Shalini Swaroop, Senior Staff Attorney of the Joint Parties. The Joint Parties initiated this meeting.

The topics related to this case discussed in this meeting were:

• The perceptions of ratepayers and consumers about safety efforts relating to the gas pipeline explosion.

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- The Joint Parties' upcoming meeting with PG&E President Chris Johns on December 14th.
- The Joint Parties' determined that they should, after the meeting with President Johns, set up a meeting with Public Advisor Karen Miller to discuss possible safety outreach strategies in conjunction with Commissioner Florio's office.
- Faith Bautista also invited Commissioner Florio to be a keynote speaker at a San B runo homeowner conference that will be held on December 18 th at the National Asian American Coalition (NAAC) headquarters. The NAAC anticipate s over 200 homeowners/ratepayers from San Mateo county will attend this conference.
- Although not scheduled, the Joint Parties informed Commissioner Florio and Ms.
 Khosrowjah that diversity still remained a major issue in the Sempra and Edison general rate cases.
- Also not scheduled, but related to the Sempra general rate case, the Joint Parties
 expressed their concerns as to the integrity of Deloitte & Touche's audit of the Sempra
 companies. The Joint Parties informed Commissioner Florio and Ms. Khosrowjah that
 they were involved in ongoing discussions with Executive Director Paul Clanon and
 Commissioner Ferron's Advisor, Sarah Thomas, on the issue.

Dated: December 6, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

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