

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

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company
for Authority to Increase Electric Rates and
Charges to Recover Costs Relating to California
Solar Photovoltaic Manufacturing Development
Facility. (U39E)

Application 10-11-002
(Filed November 1, 2010)

NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

Pursuant to Rule 8.4(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), and SVTC Technologies, LLC (SVTC) hereby give notice of the following joint ex parte communications. The communications occurred on Thursday, March 1, 2012, at approximately 2:00 p.m., 2:30 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. (collectively) at the offices of California Public Utilities Commission. The communications were oral and handouts were provided, which are attached to this notice. [(Rule 8.4(a)(c)]

Meredith Allen, Senior Director, Regulatory Relations, PG&E, initiated the communication with Colette Kersten, Advisor to Commissioner Catherine Sandoval; Rahmon Momoh, Advisor to Commissioner Timothy Simon; and Sara Kamins, Advisor to Commissioner Mark Ferron. Also present were Gunter Ziegenbalg, President, SVTC Solar, Inc.; Bryan Wang, Treasurer, SVTC; Pamela Loomis, Senior Policy Advisor, Nossaman LLP; Doug Hall, PVMI Portfolio Manager, Department of Energy (DOE); and Aaron Johnson, Director, Renewable Energy Policy and Strategy, PG&E. [Rule 8.4(b)]

Mr. Johnson stated that the Commission should approve the Alternate Decision, which authorizes PG&E to recover net costs of \$9.9 million for a solar PV R&D project as cost share for a DOE grant of \$30 million. Mr. Ziegenbalg provided an overview of the project and explained its many benefits. Mr. Hall explained the importance of the project to the DOE's solar manufacturing strategy and the DOE SunShot Initiative.

[Rule 8.4(c)]

Respectfully submitted,

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