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Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has revised the estimated timetable for restoration of pressure on pipelines that PG&E needs to safely and reliably serve its customers in 2012. In compliance with Ordering Paragraph 1 of D.11-09-006, PG&E submitted its 12-month timetable for seeking authorization to lift Commission-ordered pressure reductions on October 10, 2011. Since that date, PG&E has encountered scheduling, permitting and other issues that have led it to revise its previously-filed schedule. As PG&E stated previously, PG&E will only restore pressure when it has confirmed the pipeline can safely operate at the restored pressure.

Accordingly, PG&E submits an amended schedule based on the currently available information in Attachment A.^{1/} PG&E is working to meet this schedule, but wants to inform interested parties of changes in the schedule. In order to allow for timely notice to interested parties of future restoration requests, PG&E will inform the service list of this proceeding at least two weeks prior to submitting a request to lift Commission-ordered pressure reductions.

^{1/} Specifically, PG&E's request date for Line 131-30 has been delayed from March to May, and for Line 148 from July to September.

As shown on the timetable below, PG&E generally plans to file approximately two to three months in advance of the needed pressure restoration. While this revised schedule reflects PG&E's current plan, operational conditions may cause us to accelerate requests for pressure restoration or advance the timing of pressure restoration on other pipelines. Similarly, some operational conditions may cause additional unforeseen delays throughout the course of the year. While we hope to avoid these changes, we will inform the Commission and parties if those unforeseeable situations arise.

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ATTACHMENT A

**Pacific Gas and Electric Company
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Revised 12 Month Pressure Restoration Timeline Forecast for CPUC-Mandated Pressure
Reductions**

Estimated PG&E Filing Date	Line ^{2/}	Beginning Mile Point	Ending Mile Point	Date Restoration is Needed	Impact of Delay to Restore Pressure
May-12	131-30	50.58 – Irvington Station	57.45 – Milpitas Terminal	Aug-12	This is an essential alternate supply to Milpitas and the San Francisco Peninsula. There will be potential impact under warmer than cold day demand conditions if the capacity of the primary supply is diminished. Potential impacts to deliveries to Milpitas and Hollister and downstream noncore customers.
Jul-12	148	0.0 – McMullin Ranch Station	17.63 – Witmore Ave and Morgan Rd Reg Station, Modesto	Oct-12	Potential to not meet elevated pressure needed by noncore customers. Incremental noncore curtailments at colder than Cold Winter Day (CWD).
Aug-12	300B	0.0 – CA/AZ Border	0.45 – Topock Compressor Station	Nov-12	Supply availability from El Paso Natural Gas is interrupted if the parallel Line 300A is removed from service for any reason. Potential of short duration loss of supply from El Paso has no immediate impact except for extreme cold high demand days. Requires the shut off of supply from El Paso Natural Gas when it is necessary to shut down the L300A side of the Topock plant for construction or maintenance.
Sept-12	1816-01	0.0 – Front St Reg Station, Salinas	8.44 – Rob Roy Station	Dec-12	Potential increase in noncore curtailments. Additional manual operations may be required.

^{2/} At the date of this filing, PG&E does not anticipate requesting restoration of the following lines in 2012: Commission-mandated – Lines 132, 153, 0805-01; Non-Commission-mandated – Line 109.