

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

Application of PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY to issue, sell, and deliver one or more series of Debt Securities and to guarantee the obligations of others in respect of the issuance of Debt Securities, the total aggregate principal amount of such long-term indebtedness and guarantees not to exceed \$4.75 billion; to execute and deliver one or more indentures; to sell, lease, assign, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of or encumber utility property; to issue, sell and deliver in one or more series, cumulative Preferred Stock -- \$25 Par Value, Preferred Stock -- \$100 Par Value, Preference Stock or any combination thereof; to utilize various debt enhancement features; enter into interest rate hedges; and for an exemption from the Commission's Competitive Bidding Rule. (U 39 M)

Application 11-11-001
(Filed November 1, 2011)

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) hereby gives notice of the following *ex parte* communication. The communication occurred on Friday, April 13, 2012, at approximately 4:00 p.m. at the offices of California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) in San Francisco. The communication was oral. [Rule 8.4(a)]

John Hughes, Director, Regulatory Relations, PG&E, initiated the communication with Stephen St Marie, Advisor to Commissioner Catherine Sandoval. [Rule 8.4(b)]

Mr. Hughes started the discussion by stating that a proposed decision (PD) on PG&E's Application 11-11-001 is on the CPUC's April 19, 2012 business meeting, agenda item 11. He said that PG&E only had \$450 million of authorized debt authority as of the end of 2011.

He stated that it was extremely important that the CPUC approve the PD on this requested level of long-term debt authority (\$4.75 billion) at the next CPUC meeting or the utility would at risk falling short of the required level of long-term debt authority necessary to meet its financial obligations through the rest of the year. [Rule 8.4(c)]

Respectfully submitted,

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