## **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 Tuesday, April 10, 2012, at approximately 1:30 p.m. at the offices of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) in San Francisco. The communication was oral and no handout was provided. [Rule 8.4(a)]

John Hughes, Director, Regulatory Relations, PG&E, initiated the communication with Commissioner Timothy Alan Simon. Phyllis White, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Simon, and Rahmon Momoh, Advisor to Commissioner Simon, were also in attendance. Nicholas Bijur, Vice President and Treasurer, PG&E, joined in the meeting by phone. [Rule 8.4(b)] Mr. Hughes started the meeting by stating that PG&E has less than \$500 million of long term debt authority remaining from the \$4 billion authority granted by the CPUC in October, 2008. He stated that PG&E's financing needs call for \$550 million just for April, 2012. As a result it is imperative that the Proposed Decision be voted out at the April 19, 2012 business meeting.

Mr. Bijur stated that the intent of the financing application was to address PG&E's capital needs through 2014. He added that further financings could be required but currently did not anticipate any being filed by the end of 2014.

Mr. Bijur next addressed PG&E's commitment to increased inclusion and participation of diverse business enterprises. He stated PG&E has recently utilized minority-owned, woman-owned and service disabled firms as co-managers and is committed to utilizing these firms in future transactions. [Rule 8.4(c)]

Respectfully submitted,

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