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The Consumer Protection and Safety Division (CPSD) and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) agree that there is no dispute of material fact requiring an evidentiary hearing. CPSD, PG&E and the other parties to this proceeding are scheduled for hearings in two other OIIs starting September 5.

In the interests of the efficient use of the Commission's and the parties' resources, and because PG&E does not dispute most of the facts in CPSD's May 25, 2012 Investigative Report, CPSD and PG&E request that the Commission cancel the evidentiary hearings in this proceeding. CPSD and PG&E have discussed this proposal with The Utility Reform Network (TURN) and the City and County of San Francisco (CCSF), and they do not oppose canceling the hearings. The City of San Bruno has not yet responded, but has not submitted any request to cross-examine any witnesses.

CPSD and PG&E also suggested the following briefing schedule to TURN and CCSF:

1. Concurrent opening briefs to be filed by September 14, 2012
2. Concurrent reply briefs to be filed by September 28, 2012

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TURN and CCSF have expressed concerns about that proposed schedule due to conflicts with hearings in other related proceedings, and would like to discuss the issue on Thursday.

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