

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the
Commission's Own Motion to Adopt New Safety
and Reliability Regulations for Natural Gas
Transmission and Distribution Pipelines and
Related Ratemaking Mechanisms.

Rulemaking 11-02-019
(Filed February 24, 2011)

NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

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Pursuant to Rule 8.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, The Utility Reform Network (TURN) gives notice of the following written ex parte communication.

On December 19, 2012, Thomas Long, TURN's Legal Director, sent the attached e-mail to Sepideh Khowrowjah, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Florio. In accordance with CPUC Rule of Practice and Procedure 8.3(c)(3), on December 19, 2012, TURN served the e-mail on all parties to the proceeding. The e-mail requests changes to the revised proposed decision regarding PG&E's Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Subject: Fwd: R.11-02-019, Revised Proposed Decision

Parties to R.11-02-019,
In accordance with CPUC Rule of Practice and Procedure 8.3(c)(3),
TURN hereby serves the ex parte e-mail communication with
Sepideh Khosrowjah, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Florio, sent
earlier this evening.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Tom Long <tlong@turn.org>
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Ms. Khosrowjah-

I have just completed review of the revised proposed decision, which was posted on the website for the first time at the close of business today. TURN urges the following additional revisions, which I discussed in my meeting with Commisisoner Florio and you last week:

1. Require PG&E to provide a sound engineering justification for any replacement projects under Decision Tree Box M2 and, to promote transparency, require such justifications to be provided in the quarterly compliance reports made available to the parties (see TURN Comments on PD, pp. 6-8).
2. Require PG&E to remove non-contiguous Class 2 segments from Phase 1 (see TURN Comments on PD, pp. 4-5). This could be accomplished in the application required by new Ordering Paragraph (OP) 11.

3. Clarify that the "higher priority projects" referenced on p. 103, Finding of Fact (FOF) 39, Conclusion of Law (COL) 37 and OP 6 must be within the approved scope of Phase 1 (see TURN Comments on PD, pp. 20-21)

In addition, with respect to the application to update the PSEP database required by new OP 11, TURN urges PG&E to be given a date certain no later than 120 days after the effective date of the decision to file the application. As now phrased, the OP allows PG&E to indefinitely delay "the completion of its Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure validation and records search" to avoid reduction to the PSEP Phase 1 budget cap. Moreover, PG&E has already completed its records search for the high priority segments addressed in Phase 1, so there is no need to delay the application for the conclusion of the records search for the lower priority Phase 2 segments.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

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