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Mr. Paul Clanon Executive Director California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 5223 San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: <u>Implementation of the Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account for August/September</u> 2013 Rim Fire

Dear Mr. Clanon:

In accordance with Commission Resolution E-3238, dated July 24, 1991, and the associated PG&E currently effective tariff sheets (Electric Preliminary Statement Section G), PG&E hereby provides notice that PG&E is recording in the electric Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA) the costs associated with repair of facilities and restoration of service following the "Rim Fire" that began on August 17, 2013.

PG&E is submitting this letter to preserve the option of filing an application for cost recovery under CEMA provisions at a later date. Details about the disaster, the effects on PG&E's facilities, and the estimated restoration costs are provided below:

## 1. Disaster

By proclamation dated August 22, 2013, a state of emergency was declared to exist in Tuolumne County by Governor Edmund G. Brown. The proclamation reported that the wildfire has burned over 53,000 acres, damaged homes, and is threatening other residences. By proclamation dated August 23, 2013, a state of emergency was declared to exist within the City and County of San Francisco by Governor Edmund G. Brown. The proclamation reported that wildfires in Tuolumne County have caused damage to electrical infrastructure serving the City and County and San Francisco and threaten to damage property, equipment, and resources which could result in temporary interruption of electricity and/or water delivery. By proclamation dated August 29, 2013, a state of emergency was declared to exist in Mariposa County by Acting Governor and Senate President pro Tempore Darrell Steinberg. The proclamation reported that in Mariposa County the wildfire is damaging public and district facilities including roads and structures, and threatening residences, necessitating the evacuation of residents.

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## 2. Effects on PG&E's Facilities

To date, the wildfire has damaged 100 electric distribution facilities throughout Tuolumne County. The wildfire is estimated to have disrupted service to nearly 500 customers.

## 3. Estimated Restoration Costs

PG&E estimates it has incurred approximately \$2.9 million of incremental costs due to the wildfire, of which \$2.0 million is estimated to be capital related and \$0.9 million is estimated to be expense related. PG&E continues to assess the total repair and restoration costs incurred and will supplement this letter should further damage be identified.

If you have any questions about PG&E's implementation of the CEMA, please contact Redacte Redacted

Sincerely,

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