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- 5 Q 1 What is the purpose of your testimony?
- The purpose of this rebuttal testimony is to respond to reply testimony
 submitted by parties on September 30, 2013 regarding the analysis and
 opening testimony submitted by the California Independent System
 Operator Corporation (CAISO), Southern California Edison Company
 (SCE), and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E)² in Track 4 of the
 2012 Long-Term Procurement Plan (LTPP) proceeding.
- 12 Q 2 Please summarize your testimony.
- A 2 Contrary to the recommendations of some parties in their reply testimony, 13 and at least partially consistent with the testimony of other parties, Pacific 14 Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) recommends that the California Public 15 Utilities Commission (CPUC or Commission) make a local resource need 16 determination for southern California and authorize SCE and SDG&E to 17 18 pursue a multi-prong approach to meet that identified local reliability need. The Commission should move forward under the current schedule to make 19 a decision in early 2014. Specifically, as discussed in PG&E's reply 20 21 testimony, PG&E proposes that the Commission identify a total local resource need determination for southern California of 5,070 megawatts 22 (MW) by 2022. This need determination is based on the need identified by 23 SCE of approximately 3,300 MW3 and the need identified by SDG&E of 24 1.770 MW.4 both prior to consideration of any procurement authorization 25 made in the recent 2012 LTPP Track 1 and SDG&E Purchased Power 26 Tolling Agreement decisions.⁵ 27

¹ CAISO Track 4 opening testimony of Robert Sparks submitted August 5, 2013.

SCE and SDG&E Track 4 opening testimony submitted August 26, 2013.

See Figure II-1 of SCE Track 4 opening testimony, page 8. This value is based on the Los Angeles Basin Generation scenario (2,802 MW) and recommended additional 500 MW of procurement authorization (see p. 7 of SCE Track 4 opening testimony).

⁴ See Table 3 of SDG&E Track 4 opening testimony of John M. Jontry, page 12.

⁵ Decision 13-02-015 and Decision 13-03-029, respectively.

PG&E recommends that the multi-prong approach include a technology-neutral selection of preferred and non-preferred alternatives, and a definitive timeline, with milestones, by which the selected alternatives should be operationally available. The technology-neutral selection of alternatives should follow selection criteria that consider the feasibility, cost, benefits, and timing of the alternatives available to meet southern California's local reliability needs.

8 B. Time Is of the Essence (Curtis A. Hatton)

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- Q 3 Do you agree with findings of the Sierra Club and the California
 Environmental Justice Alliance (CEJA) that there is no need for new
 generation as an outcome of Track 4 of this LTPP proceeding?⁶
- A 3 No. Based on analysis submitted by the CAISO, SCE, and SDG&E, PG&E 12 believes that there is an incremental need for local reliability generation 13 given that San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station is no longer in operation.⁷ 14 This need is over and above the procurement authorized by the Commission 15 in the recent 2012 LTPP Track 1 and SDG&E Purchased Power Tolling 16 Agreement decisions.⁸ The full need and the incremental procurement 17 authorization should be identified and authorized by the Commission in 18 Track 4 of this proceeding. The incremental local reliability need is likely to 19 be met by a combination of alternatives by using a least-cost, best-fit (LCBF) 20 approach and following the state's policy priorities. 21
 - Q 4 Do you agree with the Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) and the Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies (CEERT) that the Commission should wait until new transmission studies are completed by the CAISO before making a need determination?
- 26 A 4 No. The Commission should not delay making a need determination until
 27 after the CAISO has completed its 2013/2014 Transmission Planning
 28 Process studies. The Commission has sufficient information to make a

See page 1 of Track 4 reply testimony submitted by the Sierra Club which states that "[e]ven without considering the [CAISO's] 2013/2014 transmission studies, there is no need for new generation." Also see page 2 of Track 4 reply testimony submitted by CEJA.

⁷ See pages 2-1 through 2-3 of PG&E's reply testimony regarding a Track 4 need determination.

⁸ Decision 13-02-015 and Decision 13-03-029, respectively.

⁹ See page 18 of ORA's Track 4 reply testimony of Robert M. Fagan and pages II-3 and II-6 of Track 4 reply testimony of CEERT.

1		need determination in Track 4 at this time. Timing is critical to ensure that
2		there will be sufficient time for SCE and SDG&E to develop their respective
3		procurement plans and initiate their respective procurement processes so
4		that new generation can be built by 2018 and 2022, which are the time
5		periods under consideration in Track 4 of this proceeding. Suggestions for
6		further analysis and delay fail to recognize the immediate need in southern
7		California.
8	Q 5	Do you believe that the Commission can wait until the next LTPP cycle to
9		authorize additional procurement for local reliability in southern California?
10	A 5	No. The CAISO has identified incremental local resource needs in both
11		2018 and 2022 and SCE and SDG&E have both identified incremental local
12		generation needs in 2022.10 Given the time that it takes to build new
13		resources in California and the uncertainty associated with the alternatives
14		being considered to meet this need, the CPUC should provide procurement
15		authorization as soon as possible to ensure local reliability is maintained in
16		southern California.
17	Q 6	Do you agree with the Utility Reform Network (TURN) that the procurement
18		authorization requests by SCE and SDG&E should be approved by the
19		Commission, but only as a first step in the process?11
20	A 6	Generally, PG&E agrees with TURN that SCE and SDG&E's authorization
21		requests are a reasonable starting point for procurement under Track 4.
22		However, given the uncertainty over whether specific preferred resources or
23		transmission alternatives will materialize, it is important that the Commission
24		identify the full need and authorize procurement at a level that meets the
25		identified need at this time. Opportunities can be provided to later reduce
26		the amount of ultimate procurement once alternatives have proven feasible
27		and effective at reducing local capacity requirements by the identified
28		amount.

¹⁰ SCE and SDG&E did not evaluate 2018 needs in their 2012 LTPP Track 4 studies.

¹¹ See pages 3 and 9 of TURN's Track 4 reply testimony.

C. A Multi-Prong Approach Is Necessary (Curtis A. Hatton)

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- Q 7 TURN says there is no "silver bullet" solution to meeting southern California's local reliability needs. 12 Do you agree with TURN?
- 4 A 7 Yes. PG&E agrees with TURN that there is no single best alternative to
 5 meet southern California local reliability needs due to differences in cost,
 6 feasibility, risks, uncertainties, and timing of the various alternatives under
 7 consideration.
- 8 Q 8 What does PG&E propose as a plan of action for meeting southern
 9 California local reliability needs?
- 10 A 8 PG&E proposes that the Commission adopt the following plan of action.

First, PG&E proposes that the Commission identify a total local resource need determination for southern California of 5,070 MW by 2022. This need determination is based on the need identified by SCE of approximately 3,300 MW¹³ and the need identified by SDG&E of 1,770 MW,¹⁴ both prior to consideration of any procurement authorization made in the recent 2012 LTPP Track 1 and SDG&E Purchased Power Tolling Agreement decisions.

Second, PG&E proposes the Commission authorize SCE and SDG&E to implement a multi-prong approach to meet their local area reliability needs. This multi-prong approach should consider all alternatives offered by SCE and SDG&E by evaluating the tradeoffs, or positive and negative attributes, associated with each alternative.

Finally, PG&E proposes that the Commission adopt a process with a definitive timeline and criteria for SCE and SDG&E to select the LCBF alternatives to meet their respective local reliability needs.

- Q 9 Why do you believe that a total local resource need determination for southern California is necessary at this time?
- A 9 A total local resource need determination for southern California is needed at this time to establish a clear target of the amount of local reliability need and the date by which the need should be satisfied. The need determination

¹² See pages 2 and 4 of TURN's Track 4 reply testimony.

See Figure II-1 of SCE Track 4 opening testimony, page 8. This value is based on the Los Angeles Basin Generation scenario (2,802 MW) and recommended additional 500 MW of procurement authorization (see p. 7 of SCE Track 4 opening testimony).

¹⁴ See Table 3 of SDG&E Track 4 opening testimony of John M. Jontry, page 12.

serves as a baseline for making procurement authorization decisions. Given the inherent uncertainty with many of the alternatives being proposed (such as feasibility and effectiveness at reducing local capacity requirements), it is critical to identify a need by which the various solutions, once online and proven to be effective at meeting that need, can be reduced.

Making a procurement authorization decision in Track 4 of this proceeding is essential to provide the utilities with authority to procure the needed local resources within the time period in which need has been identified. Given the short timeframe in which these resources must come online, PG&E recommends authorizing the full amount of resources needed to meet reliability with opportunities for further review in the future as needed to make changes in the composition of the procurement authorization.

- Q 10 How does PG&E's proposed 5,070 MW local resource need for southern California compare to the local reliability need identified in other parties' reply testimony?¹⁵
- 16 A 10 PG&E based its recommendation on SCE's and SDG&E's testimony.

 17 In contrast to other parties who may have looked at incremental need only,

 18 PG&E chose to look at the total need, but recognizes that a portion of this

 19 need will be met with procurement that has already been authorized in

 20 Track 1 of this proceeding.
- 21 Q 11 Why do you propose a multi-prong approach?

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- A 11 A multi-prong approach is necessary because, as TURN demonstrates,
 there is no single alternative that the Commission can order SCE and
 SDG&E to pursue in this proceeding to provide the LCBF solution to
 southern California local reliability needs. Each alternative has both positive
 and negative attributes that must be considered by the Commission in this
 proceeding.¹⁶
- 28 Q 12 How should the multi-prong approach be implemented?
- 29 A 12 In order to implement a multi-prong approach, the Commission first needs to 30 adopt a total local reliability need amount and a time by which the need must

See pages 2-4 of AES Southland's Track 4 reply testimony of Hala N. Ballouz; pages 47-48 and 54-55 of Independent Energy Producers Association's Track 4 reply testimony; pages 3 and 9 of TURN's Track 4 reply testimony; and pages 3-4 of WPTF's Track 4 reply testimony.

¹⁶ See pages 4-10 of TURN's Track 4 reply testimony.

be satisfied with operationally-feasible resources and/or transmission alternatives as noted above. Milestones should be set to ensure resources will be online in time to meet the identified need. A regular review process could be established to ensure southern California utilities are on track to meet the identified needs within the timeframe they are needed.

D. The Cost Allocation Mechanism Should Be Applied to Resources Procured as a Result of Track 4 of the 2012 LTPP Proceeding (Rick Martyn)

- Q 13 Do you agree with recommendations by the Alliance for Retail Energy
 Markets (AReM), Direct Access Customer Coalition (DACC), and Western
 Power Trading Forum (WPTF) that the Cost Allocation Mechanism (CAM)
 not be applied to procurement authorized in Track 4 of this proceeding?¹⁷
- A 13 No. AReM, DACC, and WPTF confuse the issue at hand, which is long-term local capacity needs, with unrelated discussions of bundled procurement and short-term resource adequacy (RA). Bundled procurement plans are properly addressed in Track 3 of this LTPP proceeding. Track 4 of this proceeding is concerned with identifying long-term local capacity needs in southern California.

AReM/DACC argue that since their customers' short-term RA obligations are being met they do not benefit from the long-term local capacity procured pursuant to this Track 4.18 Signing contracts with existing facilities for RA in 2014 or 2015 does not create additional local capacity in southern California in 2018 or 2022. Meeting long-term local capacity needs is required to ensure reliability in the SCE and SDG&E service territories in the future, and signing short-term RA contracts will not meet those needs.

Fairly allocating the costs of generation resources that meet a local reliability need is precisely what the CAM is for. Public Utilities Code Section 365.1(c)(2)(A) clearly states that Direct Access (DA) and Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) customers should share such local reliability costs. It states that the Commission shall:

Ensure that, in the event that the commission authorizes, in the situation of a contract with a third party, or orders, in the situation of utility-owned

See pages 8-15 of AReM/DACC's joint Track 4 reply testimony and page 13 of WPTF's Track 4 reply testimony.

¹⁸ See page 7 of AReM/DACC's joint Track 4 reply testimony.

generation, an electrical corporation to obtain generation resources that 1 the commission determines are needed to meet system or local area 2 reliability needs for the benefit of all customers in the electrical 3 corporation's distribution service territory, the net capacity costs of those 4 generation resources are allocated on a fully nonbypassable basis 5 6 consistent with departing load provisions as determined by the commission, to all of the following: 7 (i) Bundled service customers of the electrical corporation. 8 (ii) Customers that purchase electricity through a direct transaction with 9 10 other providers. (iii) Customers of community choice aggregators. 11 The CAM fairly allocates net capacity costs to all customers and is the 12 appropriate way to prevent cost shifting or subsidization of costs that 13 maintain reliability. AReM/DACC's arguments to avoid any cost 14 responsibility for maintaining reliability are simply attempts to unfairly lower 15 the costs for DA and CCA customers at the expense of SCE's and SDG&E's 16 bundled customers and should be rejected. 17 Does this conclude your testimony?

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Yes, it does.

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PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY APPENDIX A STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY 1 STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS OF RICK MARTYN 2 Please state your name and business address. 3 Q 1 A 1 My name is Rick Martyn, and my business address is Pacific Gas and 4 Electric Company, 245 Market Street, San Francisco, California. 5 Q_{2} 6 Briefly describe your responsibilities at Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E). 7 A 2 I am a principal in Long Term Energy Policy within the Energy Policy, 8 Planning and Analysis Department of PG&E's Energy Procurement 9 organization. 10 11 Q 3 Please summarize your educational and professional background. 12 A 3 I have a bachelor of arts degree in economics from the University of California at Santa Cruz. 13 I joined PG&E in 1992 and have held positions of increasing 14 15 responsibility in the Regulatory and Energy Procurement organizations. I assumed my current position in August 2011. 16 What is the purpose of your testimony? Q 4 17 18 A 4 I am sponsoring Question/Answer 13 of PG&E's rebuttal testimony in Track 4 of the 2012 Long-Term Procurement Plan proceeding. 19 Q 5 Does this conclude your statement of qualifications? 20 21 A 5 Yes, it does.