

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Enhance the
Role of Demand Response in Meeting the State's
Resource Planning Needs and Operational
Requirements.

Rulemaking 13-09-011
(Filed September 19, 2013)

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 communications occurred on Wednesday, December 11, 2013, at approximately 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the California Public Utilities Commission. The communication was oral and included the attached handout. [(Rule 8.4(a)(c)]

Erik Jacobson, Director, Regulatory Relations, PG&E, initiated the meeting with Audrey Lee, Advisor to Commission President Michael Peevey. Also present at the meeting were: Rachel Peterson, Advisor to Commissioner Michel Florio; and for PG&E - Nick Ho, Director, Demand Response; Kenneth Abreu, Principal, Demand Response; Andrew Hoffman, Manager, Product Management, DR Core Programs; Janis Frazier-Hampton, Director, Integrated Resource Planning; and Antonio Alvarez, Manager, Integrated Resource Planning. [Rule 8.4(b)]

Mr. Jacobson and Mr. Abreu reviewed the agenda and stated that PG&E's objective was to discuss 1) how we dispatch demand response (DR), 2) the "duck

curve”, and 3) our experience with bidding and the approaches used in eastern ISO markets. Mr. Alvarez explained the load duration curve and how it helps with the assessment of how frequently DR programs should be dispatched. Mr. Hoffman described the use of triggers in the dispatch of PG&E’s DR programs. Mr. Ho and Mr. Hoffman discussed the dispatch and design of DR programs in eastern markets, where the focus is on reliability and DR is dispatched at times when the system is stressed. Mr. Alvarez explained the “duck curve” and load studies being conducted by PG&E to explore opportunities to fill in the belly of the duck. Mr. Abreu and Mr. Ho discussed PG&E’s PeakChoice program and stated that it was important to keep bidding rules simple so that overhead costs can be low and participation is cost effective. [Rule 8.4(c)]

Respectfully submitted,

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