## 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 exparte communication. The communication occurred on Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at approximately 2:30 p.m., at the offices of the California Public Utilities Commission. The communication was oral and included a handout, which is attached. [(Rule 8.4(a)(c)]

Sidney Dietz, Director, Regulatory Relations, PG&E, initiated the communication with Julie Fitch (Chief of Staff to Commissioner Carla Peterman). Also present from PG&E were: Nick Ho, Director, Demand Response, Customer Energy Solutions; and Ken Abreu, Manager Policy and Planning, Demand Response. [Rule 8.4(b)]

Mr. Dietz stated that the Proposed Decision (PD) should not designate programs as "supply" since there is no evidentiary record that treating them as supply for CAISO purposes is beneficial to ratepayers. Mr. Dietz stated that it is costly and difficult to bid DR as supply. Mr. Abreu stated that the PD should be changed to require hearings

before the change in designation is considered. Mr. Abreu further stated that there is

broad agreement among almost all parties in the proceeding that requiring DR to bid as

"supply" in CAISO will reduce the amount of DR available. Mr. Ho stated that there

are other ways to enhance the existing programs and create new programs that will

allow more DR to be treated as supply, but that requires movement from the CAISO to

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make participation simpler and cheaper. Rule 8.4(c)]

Respectfully submitted,

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