

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric  
Company for 2013 Rate Design Window  
Proceeding. (U39E)

Application 12-12-002  
(Filed December 3, 2012)

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 communications. The first communication was oral and it occurred on Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at approximately 2:00 p.m., at the office of California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The second communication was written which was transmitted via electronic mail (e-mail) on Monday, April 28, 2014, at approximately 9:55 a.m., to the offices of the CPUC. A copy of the e-mail transmittal is attached. [(Rule 8.4(a)(c)]

John Hughes, Director, Regulatory Relations, PG&E, initiated the first oral communication with Scott Murtishaw, Advisor to Commission President Michael Peevey. Also in attendance for PG&E were: Dennis Keane, Chief Regulatory Analyst, Analysis & Rate Design & Quantitative Analysis; and Randall Littenecker, Attorney, Law. [Rule 8.4(b)]

Mr. Hughes, Mr. Keane and Mr. Littenecker discussed with Mr. Murtishaw the 2013 Rate Design Window (RDW) application filed by PG&E. The representatives from PG&E stated that based on the record in this proceeding, the CPUC should continue to reject the Option R rate as it did in PG&E's 2011 General Rate Case Phase 2. The rate

is not cost justified and would create unneeded new costs shifts among customers while solar customers are already being subsidized by other customers. Also the Option R rate is not needed to continue the success of the solar program in PG&E's service territory as solar costs continue to fall.

PG&E also discussed briefly how rates apply to intermittent or low load factor E-19 and E-20 customers, noting that under approved settlements, all customers in these groups pay lower volumetric rates and higher demand rates than other customer classes.

Mr. Hughes initiated the second communication with Mr. Murtishaw via e-mail. Mr. Hughes provided Mr. Murtishaw the link to the Court of Appeals chronology FERC decision on transmission level standby rates. [Rule 8.4(c)]

Respectfully submitted,

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