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Hi Brian,

Thank you for speaking with me about the tree pruning work performed by PG&E at Oak Glen Park last Thursday. PG&E sincerely apologizes this work was performed without notification to the City or local residents in the area. As you know, we are in active discussions with the neighborhood, explaining the need for pruning to ensure both public safety and state regulatory requirements are upheld. We have offered to delay our Electric Overhead Vegetation Management pruning for G.O. 95 Rule 35 for several weeks in order to allow time to meet with the neighborhood and discuss their concerns.

Unfortunately, another work group within PG&E identified an oak tree out of compliance with G.O. 165 that required pruning, and on Thursday, May 29, the group, unbeknownst to us, began performing this work. Newcomb Tree immediately stopped the work as soon as a nearby property owner shared her concerns about punning the oak located in the park. Because the tree crew stopped their work immediately, they were unable to complete the compliance work and left a stubbed limb in the lower portion of the canopy. This tree, along with several others, will need additional pruning by PG&E for public safety, regulatory compliance and ANSI A300 standards, but we would like the opportunity

to meet with the neighborhood in the next two weeks before completing any additional work.

We sincerely regret this oversight and we are working to ensure that something like this does not reoccur.

We are happy to meet with the community group to explain why this work took place and educate the public on the safety needs to ensure trees are kept a safe distance away from high voltage lines.

Please feel free to call me with any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you,

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