

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Approval of Modifications to its SmartMeter™ Program and Increased Revenue Requirements to Recover the Costs of the Modifications (U39M).

Application 11-03-014
(Filed March 24, 2011)

**MOTION OF THE DIVISION OF RATEPAYER ADVOCATES
FOR LEAVE TO FILE UNDER SEAL A PORTION OF
WRITTEN *EX PARTE* COMMUNICATION**

Pursuant to Rule 11.4 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission), the Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA) respectfully submits this motion for leave to file under seal certain information set forth in a written *ex parte* communication that occurred March 30, 2012. The confidential information is found in the written material attached to the Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication filed on March 30, 2012, and was redacted in the public version of that filing. Specifically, the confidential information addresses the costs and benefits of deployment of Southern California Edison's "SmartConnect" advanced metering infrastructure to date. This information is deemed market sensitive, and has been designated confidential pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 583 and General Order 66-C. DRA requests that the Commission adopt the attached Proposed Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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[PROPOSED ORDER]

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In accordance with the California Public Utilities Commission’s (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission has considered DRA’s Motion.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that DRA’s Motion is granted.

Dated _____, at San Francisco, California.

Administrative Law Judge