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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Adoption of Electric Revenue Requirements and Rates Associated with its 2020 Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) and Generation Non-Bypassable Charges Forecast and Greenhouse Gas Forecast Revenue Return and Reconciliation. (U39E.)

Application 19-06-001

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE RULING SETTING EVIDENTIARY HEARING AND REQUIRING CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

This ruling sets evidentiary hearing (EH) for September 30, October 1, and October 2, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in a Commission Courtroom, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California 94102.

In order to facilitate the orderly scheduling of witnesses and conduct of the hearing, the parties are directed to meet and confer, and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) shall file no later than September 25, 2019, a case management statement reporting on the following topics:

- The status of any ongoing settlement discussions including identification of resolved issues.
- The proposed schedule of witnesses for EHs.
- Identification of disputed issues and the witness thereto who will be the subject of cross-examination.
- Cross-examination times estimated by each of the parties for each of the witnesses they wish to question.

- A list of witnesses for whom no cross-examination is anticipated.
- Any other matters that the parties deem relevant.

All parties submitting written testimony and/or intending to cross-examine witnesses shall jointly cooperate in providing pertinent information to PG&E for preparation of the case management statement. Parties should work collectively towards fitting cross-examination, redirect, and re-cross estimates within the three days of scheduled evidentiary hearings. For this purpose, parties should assume four and a half hours of hearing time per day, or a total of 13 ½ hours of hearing time.

Parties planning on cross-examination shall provide to PG&E their estimated time for cross examination per witness no less than seven calendar days prior to the start of hearings. In order to minimize the amount of cross-examination, and when feasible, parties should seek to enter into stipulations of facts, or other dispute resolution, as conditions warrant.

Please note, the use of limited hearing time for direct examination is not considered to be necessary or warranted. The parties should be assured all testimony, whether direct or cross, will be considered and weighed. Similarly, so as to avoid the undue consumption of time and wasting limited resources, all parties should avoid presenting testimony which, when responding to or rebutting other testimony, repeats or summarizes written testimony at length. If testimony is responsive to earlier testimony, a brief introduction with page and line citation to the earlier testimony generally will be considered sufficient.

IT IS RULED that:

1. First. Evidentiary hearing shall be held on September 30, October 1, and October 2, 2019 commencing each day at 9:30 a.m., in a Commission Courtroom, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California 94102.

2. Pacific Gas and Electric Company shall file and serve a Case Management Statement, on behalf of the parties, five calendar days prior to hearings as discussed above.

3. Parties planning on cross-examination at evidentiary hearing shall provide to Pacific Gas and Electric Company their estimated time for cross-examination per witness seven calendar days prior to the start of hearings.

Dated August 16, 2019 at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ERIC WILDGRUBE
Eric Wildgrube
Administrative Law Judge