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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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)

And Related Matters.

Application 11-03-015
Application 11-07-020

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE**Summary**

This decision extends the statutory deadline in these proceedings to February 1, 2015.

Background

Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5(a)¹ provides that ratesetting cases must be resolved within 18 months of the date the scoping memo is issued unless the Commission makes findings why that statutory deadline cannot be met and issues an order extending the 18-month deadline for a period not exceeding 60 days. In these proceedings, the 18-month deadline for resolving Phase 2 of these proceedings was December 8, 2013. The Commission has granted

¹ All statutory references are to the Public Utilities Code unless otherwise indicated.

extensions of the statutory deadline. The most recent extension is in Decision (D.) 14-10-012, which extended the statutory deadline until December 3, 2014.

The proposed decision of the assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) and alternate proposed decision of President Michael R. Peevey addressing the final issues of these proceedings were issued for public review and comments on October 29, 2014. Therefore, a 60-day extension of the statutory deadline until February 1, 2015, is necessary to allow the Commission time to review the public comments, deliberate and issue its final decision.

Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of proposed decisions extending the deadline for resolving ratesetting proceedings. Accordingly, the otherwise applicable period for public review and comment on an extension order issued pursuant to § 1701.5(a) is being waived.

Assignment of Proceeding

Michael R. Peevey is the assigned Commissioner and Amy C. Yip-Kikugawa is the assigned ALJ in these proceedings.

Findings of Fact

1. On October 2, 2014, the Commission issued D.14-10-012 extending the statutory deadline to December 3, 2014.
2. The proposed decision of the assigned ALJ and alternate proposed decision of President Michael R. Peevey addressing the final issues of these proceedings were issued for public review and comment on October 29, 2014.

3. A further 60-day extension of the statutory deadline is necessary.

Conclusion of Law

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Commission under Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5(a), the statutory deadline should be extended to February 1, 2015.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The statutory deadline in these proceedings is extended to February 1, 2015.
2. Application (A.) 11-03-014, A.11-03-015 and A.11-07-020 remain open.

This order is effective today.

Dated _____, at San Francisco, California.