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**CPUC PRESIDENT COMMENTS ON PG&E APPOINTMENT
OF NEW SENIOR EXECUTIVE FOR GAS OPERATIONS**

SAN FRANCISCO, May 5, 2011 - The California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) President, Michael R. Peevey, today issued the following statement regarding the announcement by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) that it has realigned its natural gas operations under a new senior executive, Nick Stavropoulos.

“This action by PG&E appropriately elevates the importance of natural gas safety in the company. With this realignment and the appointment of an executive with many years of experience in gas operations, PG&E is demonstrating a renewed focus on safety and its customers. I am confident that Mr. Stavropoulos will help PG&E continue on the path of rebuilding its reputation and safely serving its customers.”

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