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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Revise and Clarify Commission Regulations Relating to the Safety of Electric Utility and Communications Infrastructure Provider Facilities.

Rulemaking 08-11-005
(Filed November 6, 2008)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
SETTING A WORKSHOP FOR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES
FOLLOWED BY A PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARING**

This ruling sets a workshop and public participation hearing (PPH) in Sacramento on May 25, 2010. The purpose of the workshop is invite governmental agencies to provide input on ways to reduce the fire risk associated with overhead power lines and telecommunications facilities. The topics that may be addressed at the workshop include inspection requirements for overhead facilities; management of vegetation near overhead facilities; design, construction, and maintenance standards for overhead facilities, particularly facilities located in high-wind areas that are prone to wildfires; identifying areas of high fire risk; and other topics of concern to governmental agencies. The workshop will be followed by a PPH where the public will have an opportunity to comment on any subject matter of this proceeding.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) shall notify its customers of the workshop and PPH in the manner described below.

1. Date, Time, and Location of Workshop and PPH

The date, time, and location of workshop and PPH are as follows:

Event, Date, and Time	Location in Sacramento
Public Workshop for Governmental Agencies May 25, 2010 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Mack Powell Auditorium 2003 Howe Avenue Sacramento, CA 95825
Public Participation Hearing May 25, 2010 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Mack Powell Auditorium 2003 Howe Avenue Sacramento, CA 95825

The workshop will begin with prepared remarks from invited governmental agencies, followed by an opportunity for input from any governmental agencies and elected representatives in attendance. The workshop will conclude with an opportunity for the public to submit comments and questions regarding matters discussed at the workshop. A subsequent ruling may be issued that provides more details about the workshop.

The PPH will begin with a short introduction from an Administrative Law Judge. The rest of the PPH will be devoted to comments from the public about any subject matter in this proceeding.

Members of the public who cannot attend the workshop or PPH may submit written correspondence regarding this proceeding. Such correspondence will be added to this proceeding's correspondence file after circulation to all Commissioner Offices and the assigned Administrative Law Judge.

2. Notice of the Workshop and PPH

Pursuant to Rule 13.1(c) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, PG&E shall notify its customers of the workshop and PPH. The

notice shall be provided by (1) bill insert, bill imprint, or separate mailer, and (2) advertisements in newspapers of general circulation.

PG&E shall submit a draft copy of the notices required by this ruling to the Commission's Public Advisor's Office for review and approval. The drafts may be submitted by email (public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov). The Public Advisor has final say on the format, wording, and content. The Public Advisor may also provide additional instructions to PG&E for proper notification to the public.

PG&E shall file at the Docket Office no later than 10 business days after the conclusion of the workshop and PPH a copy the notices mailed to customers and proof of newspaper publication.

3. Public Advisor

Staff from the Public Advisor's Office shall attend the workshop and PPH to assist the public. Anyone who is unfamiliar with the Commission's procedures can obtain assistance from the Commission's Public Advisor at:

- (866) 849-8390
- (415) 703-2074
- (866) 836-7825 (TTY-toll free)
- public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that:

1. A workshop for governmental agencies will be held at the location, date, and time set forth in the body of this ruling.
2. A Public Participation Hearing (PPH) will be held at the location, date, and time set forth in the body of this ruling.

3. Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) shall notify its customers of the workshop and PPH. The notice shall be provided by (i) bill insert, bill imprint, or separate mailer, and (ii) advertisements in newspapers of general circulation.

4. PG&E shall provide a draft copy of the notices required by this ruling to the Commission's Public Advisor for review and approval. The draft notices may be submitted by email (public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov).

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6. PG&E shall file the following at the Commission's Docket Office no later than 10 business days after the conclusion of the workshop and PPH: a copy the notices mailed to customers and proof of publication.

7. Staff from the Public Advisor's Office shall attend the workshop and PPH to assist the public.

Dated April 9, 2010, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TIMOTHY KENNEY

Timothy Kenney
Administrative Law Judge

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Dated April 9, 2010, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ CRISTINE FERNANDEZ
Cristine Fernandez

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