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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the Commission's Own Motion to Adopt New Safety and Reliability Regulations for Natural Gas Transmission and Distribution Pipelines and Related Ratemaking Mechanisms.

Rulemaking 11-02-019
(Filed February 24, 2011)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING GRANTING
MOTION TO RESCHEDULING EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS**

On March 2, 2012, The Utility Reform Network, Division of Ratepayer Advocates, Plumbers & Steamfitters Union Local Nos. 246 & 342, and the City and County of San Francisco jointly moved for a one-week postponement of the evidentiary hearings then-scheduled to begin on Monday, March 12, 2012. Two other parties, Northern California Generation Coalition and Northern California Indicated Producers supported the motion. The moving parties stated that the additional time was necessary to analyze voluminous rebuttal testimony. Pacific Gas and Electric Company initially opposed the request but was subsequently able to reschedule two of its witnesses with limited availability.

On March 5, 2012, the parties were informed via electronic mail message that this ruling was being prepared.

In consultation with the assigned Commissioner and for good cause shown, the motion to reschedule the beginning of evidentiary hearings in this matter from March 12 to March 19, 2012, is granted. The parties should use this

additional time to thoroughly prepare their cross examination inquiries for efficient and focused hearings. Parties should also meet and confer as necessary to develop a proposed schedule of witnesses.

IT IS SO RULED.

Dated March 14, 2012, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MARIBETH A. BUSHEY

Maribeth A. Bushey
Administrative Law Judge