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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**CPUC DENIES PETITION OF CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO  
TO SUSPEND PG&E SMART METER INSTALLATIONS**

SAN FRANCISCO, December 16, 2010 – The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)

today denied the request of the City and County of San Francisco to suspend Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s (PG&E) Smart Meter installation program.

The petition, asking to modify a CPUC decision that implemented the Smart Meter program, was denied because it failed to present new facts that justify the request for a suspension. In particular, there are no new facts that show that Smart Meters are less accurate than current meters or that PG&E’s billing system is now generating fewer accurate bills.

Today’s decision says that should other issues arise, there are ongoing CPUC proceedings in which those issues may be addressed.

“There are no new facts that justify the request by the City and County of San Francisco to warrant the suspension of a program that gives consumers greater control over their energy use and offers many other benefits,” said CPUC President Michael R. Peevey. “In fact, we are not the only commission look to Smart Meters to provide customer benefits. The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, for example, is starting to use Smart Meters to help consumers save money on their water bills.”

The proposal voted on is available at

[http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/word\\_pdf/AGENDA\\_DECISION/128197.pdf](http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/word_pdf/AGENDA_DECISION/128197.pdf).

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