

California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

PRESS RELEASE

Media Contact: Terrie Prosper, 415.703.1366, news@cpuc.ca.gov

**CPUC SEEKS APPLICATIONS FOR
DIABLO CANYON INDEPENDENT SAFETY COMMITTEE**

SAN FRANCISCO, January 17, 2012 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is soliciting applications for a nominee to the Diablo Canyon Independent Safety Committee. There is one vacancy on the Committee for a three-year term that begins on or after July 1, 2012, and ends on June 30, 2015.

The Committee assesses the safety of the operations of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant and has authority to review quarterly reports and conduct on-site inspections. The Committee reports its observations and recommendations annually; first to PG&E and then, along with PG&E's response, to the Governor, the California Attorney General, the California Energy Commission, and the CPUC.

The Committee consists of three members, one each appointed by the Governor, the California Attorney General, and the Chair of the California Energy Commission. This application is for nomination as a candidate for appointment by the Chair of the California Energy Commission.

Only persons with knowledge, background, and experience in the field of nuclear power plants and nuclear safety issues are eligible for Committee membership.

The application is available on the CPUC website at www.cpuc.ca.gov under Hot Topics/Energy; or by writing to: Nominations, c/o Don Lafrenz, CPUC, Energy Division, 505 Van Ness Ave., 4th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94102-3298; or by emailing dlf@cpuc.ca.gov.

Applications should be received at the above address by February 29, 2012.

The CPUC will provide an opportunity for public comment on qualified applications by posting on the CPUC's website information concerning each qualified applicant shortly after the person's application is received. The comment period will run for 20 days.

For more information on the CPUC, please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov.

###