

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U 39-M) for Authority, Among Other Things, to Increase Rates and Charges for Electric and Gas Service Effective on January 1, 2007.

Application 05-12-002  
(Filed December 2, 2005)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING  
SETTING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS**

**Summary**

This ruling sets the public participation hearings (PPHs) for Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) general rate case and other procedural requirements associated with the PPHs.

**Schedule and Notice**

The schedule for the public participation hearings is attached hereto as Appendix A. As set forth in the February 3, 2006 Scoping Memo, PG&E shall notify its customers of the PPHs by billing inserts or a separate mailing. The notice shall provide the dates, times, and locations of all PPHs and shall be approved by the Commission's Public Advisor before it is sent.

**Attendance at the PPHs**

As set forth in the Scoping Memo, PG&E shall have a representative at each PPH who is authorized to respond to customer inquiries and statements. The Commission's Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA) may also participate in the PPHs.

### **Request for Translator at PPHs**

If any party believes it necessary for the Commission to provide a translator at any of the PPHs, that party shall notify the Commission's Public Advisor so that the Public Advisor receives this notice at least five working days before the PPH at which the party is requesting a translator. The notice shall be in writing, citing the application number, the date and time of the PPH for which a translator is requested, and the type of translator requested. The written request may be by email. The Public Advisor's email address is public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov. The phone number is 1-866-849-8390 or 1-415-703-2074.

### **Summaries of Parties' Positions**

In order to promote the public's understanding of the issues in PG&E's general rate case, the Commission intends to have available for distribution summaries of parties' positions to members of the public who attend the PPHs. PG&E and DRA shall submit summaries of their positions in the general rate case to assigned Administrative Law Judges Kenney and Econome by April 20, 2006. Other parties may also submit position summaries by that date. Summaries shall be no longer than one page in length and shall include a title identifying the party.

#### **IT IS RULED that:**

1. The schedule for the public participation hearings (PPHs) is set forth in Appendix A.
2. Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) shall notify its customers of the PPHs by billing inserts or a separate mailing. The notice shall provide the dates, times, and locations of all PPHs and shall be approved by the Commission's Public Advisor before it is sent.

3. PG&E shall have a representative at each PPH who is authorized to respond to customer inquiries and statements. The Commission's Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA) may also participate in the PPHs.

4. Any party requesting a translator at a PPH shall notify the Commission's Public Advisor so that the Public Advisor receives the notice at least five working days before the PPH at which the party is requesting a translator. The notice shall be in writing (email is sufficient), citing the application number, the date and time of the PPH for which a translator is requested, and the type of translator requested.

5. PG&E and DRA shall submit summaries of their positions in the general rate case to assigned Administrative Law Judges Kenney and Econome by April 20, 2006. Other parties may also submit position summaries by that date. Summaries shall be no longer than one page in length and shall include a title identifying the party.

Dated February 21, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JANET A. ECONOME  
Janet A. Econome  
Administrative Law Judge

**APPENDIX A**

**PG&E GRC PPHS SCHEDULE**

April 26, 2006  
2:00 pm & 7:00 pm

**Oakland**  
Elihu Harris State Building - Auditorium  
1515 Clay Street, 1st Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

April 27, 2006  
2:00 pm

**Ukiah**  
Ukiah Valley Conference Center - Cabernet 1  
200 South School Street  
Ukiah, CA 95482

April 27, 2006  
7:30 pm

**Santa Rosa**  
Steele Lane Community Center - DeMeo Room  
415 Steele Lane  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

May 3, 2006  
2:00 pm

**King City**  
King City Branch Library - Meeting Room  
402 Broadway Street  
King City, CA 93930

May 3, 2006  
7:30 pm

**Salinas**  
Laurel Inn & Conference Center  
801 West Laurel Drive  
Salinas, CA 93906

May 4, 2006  
2:00 pm & 7:00 p.m.

**San Luis Obispo**  
San Luis Obispo Veteran's Building  
Veterans Main Hall / Right Wing  
801 Grand Avenue  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

May 9, 2006  
2:00 pm & 7:00 p.m.

**Modesto**  
Modesto Centre Plaza - Pistache Room  
10<sup>th</sup> K Street  
Modesto, CA 95354

May 10, 2006  
2:00 pm & 7:00 p.m.

**Fresno**  
Fresno City Hall Council Chambers  
2600 Fresno Street  
Fresno, CA 93721

May 17, 2006  
2:00 pm & 7:00 p.m.

**Woodland**  
Woodland Public Library - Leake Community  
Room  
250 First Street  
Woodland, CA 95695

May 18, 2006  
2:00 pm & 7:00 p.m.

**Chico**  
University of Phoenix - Room 106  
500 Orient Street  
Chico, CA 95928

**(End of Appendix A)**

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Setting Public Participation Hearings on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated February 21, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ELIZABETH LEWIS  
Elizabeth Lewis

**N O T I C E**

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If specialized accommodations for the disabled are needed, e.g., sign language interpreters, those making the arrangements must call the Public Advisor at (415) 703-2074, TTY 1-866-836-7825 or (415) 703-5282 at least three working days in advance of the event.