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

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric  
Company to Revise its Electric  
Marginal Costs, Revenue Allocation  
and Rate Design. (U39M)

Application 19-11-019

**E-MAIL RULING POSTPONING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS  
AND CLARIFYING NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Dated March 18, 2020, at San Francisco, California.

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**Subject:** A.19-11-019: Email Ruling Postponing Public Participation Hearings and  
Clarifying Notification Requirements

Dear members of the A.19-11-019 service list:

This email ruling clarifies the notification responsibilities of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) in light of the postponement of the public participation hearings (PPHs) in this proceeding that were due to take place in May and June of 2020. This email ruling therefore modifies my original ruling setting and noticing PPHs in this proceeding filed on February 28, 2020.

All PPHs set by the February 28, 2020 ruling are postponed indefinitely. The Commission intends to reschedule the PPHs for some time before the end of 2020.

The February 28, 2020 ruling mandated that PG&E shall, to the extent feasible, include a customer notice concerning the PPHs in the monthly bills of all its customers not less than five days before the date of the first scheduled PPH. The February 28, 2020 ruling also specified that to the extent that any customers are billed electronically, notice to those customers may be given electronically. Where customer e-mail addresses are available, PG&E was to provide the notice through direct e-mail communication.

Because there are no currently scheduled PPHs in this proceeding, this email ruling clarifies that PG&E is not obligated to notify its customers of the previously scheduled PPHs.

The February 28, 2020 ruling mandated that PG&E shall cause the approved customer notice to be published in one or more newspapers of general circulation in PG&E's general service area where a PPH will be held at least seven consecutive days prior to, and including, the date of the PPH.

Because there are no currently scheduled PPHs in this proceeding, this email ruling clarifies that PG&E is not obligated to publish in a newspaper a notice of the previously scheduled PPHs.

The February 28, 2020 ruling mandated that PG&E shall provide the Commission's Public Advisor's Office, not later than five days prior to the scheduled PPH, a letter verifying that it has complied with the customer notice requirement. The compliance letter was to state the date(s) notices were sent to customers, the method used, and the approximate number of customers notified. One copy of the actual notice was to be attached. The compliance letter was also to provide the dates and locations of publication and posting.

Because there are no currently scheduled PPHs in this proceeding, this email ruling clarifies that PG&E is not obligated to provide this verification letter to the Commission's Public Advisor's Office with respect to the previously scheduled PPHs.

A formal ruling resetting the schedule for PPHs and PG&E's notification requirements will be served and filed once the PPHs are rescheduled.

Parties should note that the Commission will be advising customers that they can make public comments on-line on the docket card for this proceeding. In addition, Commission staff are preparing a fact sheet to better inform the public about how this proceeding affects them, with electronic links to material to provide them additional information on what PG&E is requesting. This will be posted on the Commission's omnibus PPH webpage when available.

IT IS SO RULED.

The Docket Office shall formally file this ruling.

**Patrick Doherty**

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