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Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) submits these Reply Comments in response to Assigned Commissioner's Ruling dated August 6, 2021, requesting public comments to collect recommendations for the locations for a statewide open-access middle-mile broadband network.

San Diego Gas and Electric Company's (SDG&E's) opening comments explained that its communication infrastructure was developed to support the delivery of gas and electric services, and that it concluded the questions posed in the Ruling requires special expertise and experience which are beyond its current implementations.¹ SDG&E therefore suggested that the questions in the Ruling should be directed to telecommunication companies that provide Broadband services. PG&E is similarly situated, its communication infrastructure is used solely for its electric and gas operations. In many cases, PG&E's use of fiber is restricted. Like SDG&E, PG&E would require more information from the relevant stakeholders to the questions posed in this Ruling in order to evaluate the extent to which any of PG&E's unrestricted fiber are in locations that would assist a last mile provider in an underserved area.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ SDG&E Opening Comments, p. 1.