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Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for review and recovery of Costs Associated with the 2019 Kincade fire and 2021 Dixie Fire under AB 1054. (U 39-M)

Application 25-11-001

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING GRANTING MOTION OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (U 39-M) TO SHORTEN TIME FOR PROTESTS AND RESPONSES TO A.25-11-001 AND REPLIES

1. Background

On November 14, 2025, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) filed an *Application for Review and Recovery of Costs Associated with the 2019 Kincade Fire and 2021 Dixie Fire Under AB 1054*. The *Application* is authorized, in part, by Public Utilities Code Section 1701.8, which establishes an expedited schedule for catastrophic wildfire cost recovery proceedings.¹ Pursuant to Section 1701.8(b)(3), a Pre-hearing Conference must be noticed and held no later than 25-days from the *Application's* filing, which would be December 9, 2025. In addition, pursuant to Section 1701.8(b)(4), the scoping memo must be issued within "30-days of the filing date of the application," which would be December 15, 2025.²

¹ Unless otherwise noted, all further Section references are to the Public Utilities Code.

² The 30th day would fall on December 14, 2025. But since that day is a Sunday, the deadline to comply would extend to the next business day (the 15th) pursuant to Rule 1.15.

But the streamlined schedule for an application proceeding brought pursuant to Section 1701.8 conflicts with the normal schedule for filing protests and responses to an application. Rule 2.6(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure states that "a protest or response must be filed within 30-days of the date the notice of the filing of the application first appears in the Daily Calendar." Following Rule 2.6(a) would mean that the protest or response would be due no later than December 17, 2025, with replies due no later than December 29, 2025.

As a result of this conflict, on November 14, 2025, PG&E filed a *Motion to Shorten Time for Protests and Responses to A.25-11-001 and Replies (Motion)*. To meet the deadlines for the Pre-hearing Conference scheduling and for the issuance of the scoping memo, PG&E requests that the deadline for filing protests and responses to its *Application* be advanced from December 17, 2025, to December 2, 2025, and the deadline for any replies would be advanced from December 29, 2025, to December 8, 2025.

2. Discussion

This *Ruling* grants PG&E's *Motion* because good cause has been established. The only way to meet the scheduling requirements of Section 1701.8(b)(3) and (4) is to modify the timing of the filing of protests and responses set forth in Rule 2.6(a).

Additionally, as time is of the essence, this *Ruling* is being issued before any party has filed a response to PG&E's *Motion* in accordance with Rule 11.1(g).

IT IS RULED that:

1. PG&E's *Motion* is granted.
2. Any protest or response to PG&E's *Application* shall be filed on or before December 2, 2025.

3. PG&E shall file any replies to any protests or responses on or before December 8, 2025.

Dated November 21, 2025, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ROBERT M. MASON III

Robert M. Mason III
Administrative Law Judge