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I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Rule 11.1(e) of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Utilities Commission (CPUC), Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby provides the Report on the Meet and Confer regarding schedule for bifurcated Real-Time Pricing (RTP) issues in PG&E's General Rate Case Phase II (A.24-09-014), in accordance with the plan set forth in PG&E's November 6, 2025 Motion to Adopt a Schedule for the Bifurcated Real-Time Pricing Track of PG&E's GRC Phase II.

II. THE MEET AND CONFER

PG&E provided notice to all parties in A.24-09-014 of a Meet and Confer online session at 9am on December 4, 2025. The following parties attended the December 4 Meet and Confer, in addition to PG&E: the Public Advocates Office of the CPUC (Cal Advocates), the California Community Choice Association (CalCCA), the Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA), Walmart, the Small Business Utility Advocates, EV-Go, and Electrify America.

At the outset of the meeting, PG&E reviewed its Motion's recommended two-track proposal and summarized the Responses to Motion concurrently filed by Cal Advocates, Cal

CCA and SEIA on November 21, 2025. As reflected in those filings:

- Cal Advocates' Response supported PG&E's initially proposed two-step schedule;
- CalCCA's Response also supported the concept of PG&E's two-track schedule, but recommended a few modifications to the Stop-Gap track's specific dates (see center column of Table 1 below);
- SEIA's Response opposed a two-track approach and instead recommended a modified version of the Alternative Schedule, with its changes presented in Table 1 of SEIA's Response (in which PG&E's Stop-Gap Pilot Extension proposal would simultaneously be litigated with Post-Pilot RTP rate issues).

PG&E then opened up discussions among those participating in the Meet and Confer, to explore whether there might be a compromise schedule that could achieve any type of consensus. The parties' 30-minute discussion resulted in the following variation on the modified two-track schedule set forth in CalCCA's November 21, 2025 Response:

Table 1: Results of Meet and Confer Scheduling Discussions

Shows Compromise Modifications to CalCCA's Stop-Gap RTP Track A Schedule

Activity	PG&E Motion's Initially Recommended Dates	CalCCA Response's Recommended Dates	Compromise Recommended Dates
PG&E Serves Testimony	January 30, 2026	January 30, 2026	June 7 , 2026
Supporting Stop-Gap Interim RTP Pilots' Extension Proposal			
Mid-Term M&E RTP Pilot Results Available		August 2026	August 2026
Cal Advocates'	March 2, 2026	September 30, 2026	September 30, 2026 (or 30 days
Responsive Stop-		(or 30 days from	from the release of the Mid-Term
Gap Testimony		the release of the	M&E RTP Pilot Results)
		Mid-Term M&E	
		RTP Pilot Results)	
Other Intervenors'	April 2, 2026	October 30, 2026 (or 60	October 30, 2026 (or 60 days
Responsive Stop-		days from the release of	from the release of the Mid-Term
Gap Testimony		the Mid-Term M&E	M&E RTP Pilot Results)
		RTP Pilot Results)	
Settlement Discussions	April 9 – May 15,	November – December	November - December 2026

Activity	PG&E Motion's Initially	CalCCA Response's Recommended Dates	Compromise Recommended Dates
	Recommended Dates		
	2026	2026	
Concurrent Rebuttal Testimony on Applicable Contested Stop-Gap Issues	June 5, 2026	December 4, 2026	December 4, 2026
Evidentiary Hearings (if needed on Contested Issues only)	June 22-24, 2026	December 16-18, 2026	December 16-18, 2026
Opening Briefs	July 15, 2026	January 15, 2027	January 15, 2027
Reply Briefs	July 31, 2026	February 1, 2027	February 1, 2027
Proposed Decision	September 30, 2026	April 2027	April 2027
Opening Comments On PD	October 20, 2026	+ 20 Days from PD	+ 20 Days from PD
Reply Comments On PD	October 26, 2026	+ 5 Days from Opening Comments	+ 5 Days from Opening Comments
Final Decision Voted Out By CPUC	By November 30, 2026	Mid-July, 2027	May 15, 2027
PG&E Makes Necessary Stop-Gap Operational and Systems Changes for January 2028 commencement of Interim RTP Proposal ^{1/2}	December 2026 – December 2027	July 2027 – December 2027	May 15, 2027 – Dec 31, 2027
PG&E's HFP Pilot Rates Remain Available Until Post-Pilot RTP rates can be programmed into PG&E's Modernized Billing System	January 2028 – 2030	January 2028 – 2030	January 1, 2028 – 2030

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^{1/} PG&E would like flexibility to continue its implementation work beyond January 1, 2028, if necessary, for any *enhanced* rate design requirements adopted in the CPUC's Stop-Gap Decision expected by May 15, 2027. In such circumstance, PG&E would continue the existing HFP Pilots *as is*, without interruption, starting January 1, 2028, while striving to also implement as soon thereafter as possible any new supplemental Pilot rate enhancements, as these might take somewhat longer than January 1, 2028 to effectuate into the continuing Pilots' shadow billing processes.

While the parties involved in the Meet and Confer were not able to achieve an all-party consensus supporting any single scheduling option, there was a partial consensus on the compromise version of the CalCCA schedule reflected in the rightmost column of Table 1 above. This compromise two-track schedule is supported by CalCCA and PG&E, with Cal Advocates and Walmart stating they "do not oppose," and Electrify America taking "no position on scheduling" and no response from EVGo or SBUA. SEIA stated it "does not support a separate procedural schedule to address PG&E's Stop-Gap Interim RTP Pilots' Extension Proposal." As stated in its November 21, 2025 Response to PG&E's Motion, "SEIA supports incorporating the consideration of PG&E's Stop-Gap proposal into the schedule for the broader consideration of PG&E's Post-Pilot RTP rates, as reflected in the modified Alternative Schedule Attached to [SEIA's] November 21, 2025 Response."

PG&E would note that the compromise schedule shown in the rightmost column in Table 1, above, began with a discussion about accommodating Cal CCA's request that testimony responding to the Stop-Gap Proposal not be served until September 30 (CalAdvocates), or October 30, 2025 (for all other intervenors). Specifically, PG&E noted that CalCCA's proposed responsive testimony dates could still allow the CPUC to issue its final Stop-Gap decision by May 15, 2027, which would provide PG&E about seven months' lead-time to implement the Stop-Gap proceeding's results, and ensure its existing HFP Pilots continue without interruption once their existing sunset date of December 31, 2027 is reached.

Once CalCCA's proposed dates for responsive testimony appeared not to be opposed by any party other than SEIA, PG&E requested consideration of moving its expedited January 30, 2025 Stop-Gap testimony submittal deadline to <u>late June 2026</u>, as this would allow PG&E to conduct additional near-term analysis on a handful of potential nearer-term improvements to the existing Pilot rate design that could not captured under the originally conceived January 30, 2026 deadline. Further negotiations led to PG&E agreeing to submit its Stop-Gap testimony by June 7, 2026. PG&E noted that this additional time (between February – June 7, 2026) would not only allow PG&E to make further progress exploring potential Stop-Gap rate improvements but

would also allow time for discussions with interested parties to better understand the types of nearer-term Pilot rate improvements *they* would most like to see included, if feasible. However, if PG&E were required to file its Stop-Gap Proposal on January 30, 2026, that expedited testimony would likely be constrained to continuing the HFP Pilots' rates as they currently exist.

PG&E agrees with the reasoning in Cal Advocates' Response that it "makes little sense" to expedite litigating Post-Pilot RTP rates, "when such RTP rates cannot be implemented for several years" into PG&E billing system (until at least 2030). Cal Advocates' Response found reasonable a two-track scheduling approach, that would allow for the Adoption of a "Stop-Gap" proposal before PG&E's current Hourly Flex Pricing (HFP) pilots expire (with iterative improvements to those Pilot rates possible during the additional Pilot years thereafter), followed by a second track for full consideration of PG&E's Post-Pilot dynamic rates, to be proposed in updated testimony by PG&E in June 2027, for a final CPUC Post-Pilot RTP decision as soon as possible thereafter.

III. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, PG&E respectfully requests that the Assigned Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) adopt the above "partial consensus" compromise Modifications to Cal CCA's proposed Two-Track Schedule, presented in the rightmost column of Table 1 above. This compromise schedule has CalCCAs' support and is "not opposed" by CalAdvocates and Walmart, with Electrify America taking "no position on scheduling," while SEIA opposes any two-track schedule, preferring the single-track, modified Alternative Schedule set forth in the Appendix to its November 21, 2025 Response to the Motion.

Given the impending winter holiday season, PG&E also respectfully requests that the ALJs strive to rule on scheduling for considering the bifurcated RTP issues as by December 14, 2025, if at all possible, giving due consideration to the December 4, 2025,

 $[\]underline{2}$ / CalAdvocates' Response, pp. 1 – 2, 4.

Meet and Confer's results presented in this Report.

Respectfully Submitted,

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