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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Konkow Partners LLC,

Complainant,

vs.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39E),

Defendant.

Case 26-02-014

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING SETTING VIRTUAL
PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND DIRECTING PARTIES TO FILE
AND SERVE PREHEARING CONFERENCE STATEMENT(S)**

Through this ruling, the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) hereby sets a virtual prehearing conference (PHC) for Monday, May 4, 2026, starting at 11:00 a.m.

The purpose of this PHC is to determine the parties; accept appearances and establish the permanent service list; determine the positions of the parties; identify issues for inclusion in the scoping memo for this proceeding; discuss the status of settlement negotiations, if any, and whether this case would be appropriate for the Commission's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Program; discuss the schedule for this proceeding; determine if there are any challenges to either the categorization of this proceeding or to the preliminary determination that evidentiary hearings may be required for this proceeding;

and, lastly, discuss any additional procedural matters relevant to this proceeding.

1. Webex Information

The Webex information for this public hearing is as follows:

- Join link:
<https://cpuc.webex.com/j.php?MTID=m7859d400df13705353948f3bf6512a19>

Meeting number: 2485 815 8203

Meeting password: R8yg37qmDMS

Parties should note that hearings for two separate proceedings are being scheduled for the morning of May 4, 2026, using the same Webex information. In addition to this PHC at 11:00 a.m., there is also a Status Conference beginning at 10:00 a.m. in another proceeding.

It is crucial that participants in the PHC log in at **10:50 a.m.** so the PHC may begin and end on time; however, if the other hearing runs late, please be prepared to wait.

2. Meet and Confer

In preparation for the PHC, this ruling directs the parties to meet and confer either in person, electronically, or telephonically to discuss the purpose of the PHC, as that purpose is described above. To assist the parties with the preparation of their joint or separate PHC Statement(s), when meeting and conferring the parties shall also discuss the items listed below in Section 3.

3. Joint PHC Statement or Separate PHC Statements

This ruling directs the parties to file and serve a Joint PHC Statement, or Separate PHC Statements, by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 2026.

The PHC Statement(s) shall include the following:

- a. Identify the Speakers. Identify and provide the name, phone number and email address of individuals

intending to speak at the PHC, and, in the case of multiple representatives for the same party, indicate who is designated as the primary party representative.

- b. Factual and Legal Issues. Identify the specific factual and legal issues that the Commission needs to decide in this case. Identify what material facts are undisputed.
- c. Settlement and ADR. Identify the status of settlement discussions, if any. Identify whether mediation through the Commission's ADR Program would be helpful in resolving the disputed issues and whether the parties would like to participate in the Commission's ADR Program.

If the parties would like to participate in the Commission's ADR Program, they do not need to address items (d), (e), or (f) below. They may skip to item (g).

However, if the parties are not interested in the Commission's ADR Program, they must address the additional items (d) through (g) below.

- d. Discovery. Identify whether any discovery is needed and the anticipated date that discovery will be completed.
- e. Evidentiary Hearings. Identify whether evidentiary hearings are needed. Explain the basis for why evidentiary hearings are or are not necessary. If evidentiary hearings are necessary, provide an estimate of the number of days required and the number of witnesses that each side plans to present at the hearing.
- f. Schedule. Identify a proposed schedule for this case, including dates for completing discovery, filing prepared written testimony, and for evidentiary hearings.
- g. Miscellaneous. Identify any other miscellaneous matters that should be discussed at the PHC or issues that may affect the schedule for this proceeding.

4. Ground Rules

The Hearing Reporter(s) will rely on the audio from Webex or the telephone to transcribe the hearing. To ensure a complete and accurate record, parties are directed to adhere to the following ground rules:

- a. Mute your microphone or phone when not speaking;
- b. Speak only when addressed by the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ);
- c. Speak slowly and clearly;
- d. Do not use a speaker phone when speaking; and
- e. Do not interrupt or speak over one another.

This is a virtual or telephonic hearing reliant on technology to relay statements in verbatim format by those in attendance to the hearing reporter. The Hearing Reporter(s) may interrupt the speakers if the speakers make inaudible statements. The Hearing Reporter(s) may insert the word “inaudible” in the transcript when there is dropped, garbled, or otherwise indecipherable audio.

Parties requiring changes or additions to the official service list shall complete the required “Addition/Change of Official Service List” form and send to both process_office@cpuc.ca.gov and reporting@cpuc.ca.gov prior to the hearing. Parties who desire expedited or daily transcripts should advise the Chief Hearing Reporter via e-mail at reporting@cpuc.ca.gov, no later than three days prior to the date of the hearing.

IT IS RULED that:

1. A virtual prehearing conference in Complaint 26-02-014 is scheduled on Monday, May 4, 2026, starting at 11:00 a.m.
2. Parties are to meet and confer. By 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, parties shall file and serve a Joint Prehearing Conference Statement (or Separate

Prehearing Conference Statements) addressing the items listed in the ruling above.

3. Parties shall comply with all Ground Rules set forth in the ruling above.

Dated April 8, 2026, at Sacramento, California.

/s/ ALBERTO T. ROSAS

Alberto T. Rosas
Administrative Law Judge