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PREPARED TESTIMONY
ON
REVENUE ALLOCATION
IN
PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY'S
2023 GENERAL RATE CASE PHASE 2

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- 1 • Adopt Cal Advocates’ marginal costs proposals.
- 2 • Adopt PG&E’s proposal for the status quo concerning Public Purpose
3 Program (PPP) and distribution wildfire, Catastrophic Events
4 Memorandum Account (CEMA), and Hazardous Substance Mechanism
5 (HSM) costs in the interest of rate stability.
- 6 • Adopt a gradual transition to “full-cost” with a 3% collar on total class
7 bundled average rates and a 6% collar on class average distribution
8 rates.
 - 9 ○ The collaring proposal would not apply to the business
10 electric vehicle (BEV) class, the reasoning for which is
11 explained in Chapter 8 of Cal Advocates’ testimony.
- 12 • Apply PG&E’s 4-year glidepath approach to reach Cal Advocates’
13 resulting revenue allocation proposal as presented in Table 5-1 by
14 year 4.
- 15 • Order PG&E to explore opportunities for simplifying and streamlining
16 its RA models ahead of the next GRC2.

17 Cal Advocates’ proposed marginal costs, combined with the proposed rate
18 collaring, is estimated to produce class bundled average rate impacts where no class will
19 see an increase over 3% or reductions less than -3% by year 4. On the other hand, under
20 PG&E’s proposal, customers see a wider distribution of average rate impacts, between a
21 11.62% increase and a 17.64% reduction. The bill impact that results from PG&E’s
22 proposal is unacceptable considering the recent affordability crunch.

23 Table 5-1 compares the change in class bundled average rates between PG&E’s
24 and Cal Advocates’ marginal cost with no caps/floors (i.e., “full-cost” rates). These
25 results show that current residential customers rates are closer to “full-cost” as opposed to
26 PG&E’s results which indicate otherwise, and that small commercial customers (SL&P)
27 are currently overpaying. The impacts presented in Table 5-2 represent the cumulative
28 impact of Cal Advocates’ marginal costs and rate collars at the end of the proposed
29 4-year transition period, assuming no changes to underlying revenues and sales.
30 Therefore, the impact year over year will be ¼ of those presented in Table 5-2.

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1 **Table 5-1: Comparison of “Full-Cost” Class Bundled Average Rates between PG&E**
 2 **and Cal Advocates (Uncapped)**

Class	\$/kWh			Percentage Change from Current	
	Current Rates	PGE	Cal Advocates	PGE	Cal Advocates
Res	\$0.3513	\$0.3687	\$0.3571	4.94%	1.66%
SL&P	\$0.4129	\$0.4230	\$0.3748	2.44%	-9.24%
ML&P	\$0.3707	\$0.3366	\$0.3475	-9.20%	-6.25%
B19	\$0.3138	\$0.2817	\$0.2970	-10.21%	-5.33%
Stlt	\$0.5366	\$0.4419	\$0.4700	-17.64%	-12.42%
Stby	\$0.2100	\$0.2344	\$0.2143	11.62%	2.08%
AG	\$0.3730	\$0.3898	\$0.4254	4.50%	14.05%
B20T	\$0.1905	\$0.1937	\$0.1965	1.67%	3.17%
B20P	\$0.2658	\$0.2422	\$0.2730	-8.86%	2.70%
B20S	\$0.3112	\$0.2787	\$0.3027	-10.45%	-2.74%
BEV	\$0.2494	\$0.2898	\$0.2972	16.22%	19.18%
Total	\$0.3390	\$0.3413	\$0.3416	0.71%	0.78%

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 4 **Table 5-2: Cal Advocates’ Proposed Class Bundled Average Rate Compared**
 5 **to PG&E’s Proposed Class Bundled Average Rate**

Class	\$/kWh			Percentage Change from Current	
	Current Rates	PGE	Cal Advocates	PGE	Cal Advocates
Res	\$0.3513	\$0.3687	\$0.3548	4.94%	1.00%
SL&P	\$0.4129	\$0.4230	\$0.4005	2.44%	-3.00%
ML&P	\$0.3707	\$0.3366	\$0.3596	-9.20%	-3.00%
B19	\$0.3138	\$0.2817	\$0.3043	-10.21%	-3.00%
Stlt	\$0.5366	\$0.4419	\$0.5205	-17.64%	-3.00%
Stby	\$0.2100	\$0.2344	\$0.2065	11.62%	-1.66%
AG	\$0.3730	\$0.3898	\$0.3842	4.50%	3.00%
B20T	\$0.1905	\$0.1937	\$0.1940	1.67%	1.84%
B20P	\$0.2658	\$0.2422	\$0.2737	-8.86%	2.99%
B20S	\$0.3112	\$0.2787	\$0.3019	-10.45%	-2.99%
BEV	\$0.2494	\$0.2898	\$0.2974	16.22%	19.27%
Total	\$0.3390	\$0.3413	\$0.3394	0.71%	0.13%

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1 **II. DISCUSSION OF RECOMMENDATIONS**

2 **A. Policy Background**

3 The Commission consistently determined that a utility’s underlying marginal costs
4 should form the basis of revenue allocation and rate design starting with Decision
5 (D.)93887 in 1981.⁵ The reasoning behind this policy is that the alignment of prices with
6 marginal costs provides the “greatest good for the greatest number” which promotes
7 economic efficiency.⁶

8 Because using the marginal costs as the basis for pricing may result in over- or
9 under-collection of the revenue requirement, the Commission uses equal percent
10 marginal cost (EPMC) scaling to reconcile this discrepancy.⁷ This reconciliation works
11 by first calculating each classes’ share of marginal cost revenues, which is derived based
12 on that classes’ marginal cost for each utility function multiplied by each classes’ share
13 of the cost drivers associated with each function. The share of total marginal cost
14 revenues for each class, in percentage terms, then becomes the share of total revenue
15 requirement under EPMC scaling. For example, if the residential rate group is
16 responsible for 38% of total *marginal* generation costs, then 38% of generation *revenue*
17 *requirement* is assigned to the residential rate group. Since the late 1990’s, the
18 Commission opted for separate EPMC scaling for generation and distribution functions.⁸

19 Cal Advocates and PG&E utilize the EPMC approach to reconcile the difference
20 between the respective marginal cost revenue proposals and PG&E’s distribution and

⁵ See also, Levin, Robert, *Basics of Rate Design as applied to Electric Vehicles*, CPUC, June 7, 2018, at 5.

⁶ D.93887, *Interim Opinion*, December 30, 1981, 1981 Cal. PUC LEXIS 1279 at *285.

⁷ D.96-04-050, *Interim Opinion: Marginal Costs Revenue Allocation and Rate Design (Phase 2)*, April 10, 1996, 1996 Cal. PUC LEXIS 270, at *7, (stating “The calculation of marginal costs, and the relative responsibility for those costs among rate groups, feeds directly into the revenue allocation process. We adopt a full ‘equal percentage of marginal cost’ (EPMC) revenue allocation in this proceeding. This approach allocates the utility's revenue requirement on an equal basis relative to the costs imposed by each rate group on the margin. For example, if the domestic rate group is responsible for 38% of total marginal costs (energy, generation, transmission, distribution and customer), then 38% of SCE's allocated revenue requirements is assigned to that rate group.”).

⁸ D.97-08-056, *Opinion*, August 1, 1997, 1997 Cal. PUC LEXIS 757.

1 generation revenue requirement. While rates should strive to reflect cost causation
2 principles, rate changes should be moderated, where possible, in the interest of mitigating
3 large bill impact increases and promoting bill stability. To this end, Cal Advocates takes
4 the additional step of applying caps and floors to mitigate disproportionate bill impacts to
5 any one class considering the ongoing affordability crisis.

6 **B. The Commission Should Adopt Cal Advocates’ Marginal**
7 **Costs, as They Are More Accurate.**

8 PG&E proposes to move class level revenue allocation to “full-cost levels”, stating
9 that revenue allocation has remained far away from cost-of-service levels for the past
10 several decades.² With this goal in mind, PG&E proposes to move all customer classes
11 to full cost of service each year over a four-year period. It is reasonable to move rates
12 closer to reflect underlying marginal costs. However, the Commission should adopt
13 Cal Advocates’ marginal cost proposals as they are more accurate and better reflect cost
14 causation as summarized below.

15 **1. Marginal Distribution Capacity Costs**
16 **(MDDC)**

17 Cal Advocates incorporates more current forecasts of inputs and load for
18 determining primary marginal distribution costs. Additionally, PG&E did not provide
19 enough evidence showing that line extension costs are primarily driven by the number of
20 customers, as further described in Chapter 4 of Cal Advocates’ testimony. For this
21 reason, the Commission should reject PG&E’s proposal to include such costs in its newly
22 proposed marginal line extension costs (MLEC) and to instead retain them in its new
23 business primary distribution capacity cost.

24 **2. Marginal Customer Access Cost (MCAC)**

25 Cal Advocates employs the new customer only (NCO) method for calculating the
26 marginal customer equipment costs component of MCAC.¹⁰ The NCO method provides

² PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 2-2.

¹⁰ See Chapter 3 of Cal Advocates’ Prepared Opening Testimony for full discussion of Cal Advocates’ MCAC proposal.

1 an accurate price signal because it captures the upfront cost of new connections, aligning
2 the MCAC with a potential new customer’s decision of whether to start utility service.

3 **3. Marginal Energy Costs (MEC)**

4 Cal Advocates’ MEC estimates¹¹ are more accurate than PG&E’s as they employ
5 the *Final* Renewable Portfolio Standards (RPS) Adder value to set the renewable
6 curtailment price floor. In contrast, PG&E’s MECs uses Energy Division’s (ED) 2024
7 *Forecast* RPS Adder value¹² to set a curtailment price floor.

8 **4. Marginal Generation Capacity Costs**
9 **(MGCC)**

10 PG&E incorrectly applies a solar capacity factor ratio which artificially deflates its
11 annual effective load carrying capacity (ELCC) factor. Second, PG&E calculates battery
12 revenues using its proposed MECs which utilizes the *Forecast* RPS Adder value instead
13 of the *Final* RPS adder value.¹³

14 **C. The Commission Should Adopt PG&E’s Proposal for PPP**
15 **and Wildfire/CEMA/HSM costs.**

16 The Commission should adopt PG&E’s proposal to retain the current special
17 allocation methods for Distribution – Wildfire, Catastrophic Events Memorandum
18 Account (CEMA), Hazardous Substance Mechanism (HSM)¹⁴ and Public Purpose Policy
19 (PPP)¹⁵ in the interest of rate stability. The current allocation methods should be locked
20 in as such costs will minimize bundled average rate impacts for all customer classes,
21 which is desirable given the aforementioned affordability crisis.

¹¹ See Chapter 1 of Cal Advocates’ Prepared Opening Testimony for full discussion of Cal Advocates’ MEC proposal.

¹² See Appendix B, Attachment 1-F at B-31 (Energy Division, *Calculation of the Market Price Benchmarks for the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment Forecast and True Up* (2023 Calculation of the Market Price Benchmarks), CPUC, October 2, 2023, at 1, available from <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/-/media/cpuc-website/divisions/energy-division/documents/community-choice-aggregation-and-direct-access/calculation-of-mpb-2023-2024-final.pdf>).

¹³ See Chapter 2 of Cal Advocates’ Prepared Opening Testimony for full discussion of Cal Advocates’ MGCC proposal.

¹⁴ PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 2-5.

¹⁵ PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 2-15.

1 Wildfire costs, including distribution wildfire, CEMA and HSM, will continue to
 2 be significant, as shown in Table 5-3. Since 2022, the total wildfire costs subject to the
 3 special allocator increased by more than a factor of 2. Such costs are not expected to
 4 significantly decline in the near term.

5 It is more accurate to assign wildfire-related costs based on the broader equal
 6 cents/kWh allocation method given these programs provide ratepayer and public interest
 7 benefits.¹⁶ The special allocator that PG&E proposes to retain is the result of many
 8 months of productive collaboration between parties. In PG&E’s 2020 GRC 2, the
 9 Commission found that the special allocator fairly distributes these costs to all of
 10 PG&E’s customers since PG&E’s customers benefit from PG&E’s efforts to mitigate the
 11 wildfire risk posed by its distribution network.¹⁷ For these reasons, the Commission
 12 should retain the current allocation method for assigning such wildfire costs.

13 **Table 5-3 Revenue Requirement Qualifying for Special Wildfire, CEMA, HSM**
 14 **Revenue Allocation¹⁸**

	6/1/2022	1/1/2023	1/1/2024	1/1/2025	1/1/2026
Total	\$993,991,947	\$1,056,700,232	\$2,426,629,394	\$2,407,879,853	\$2,439,178,605

15 Public purpose programs revenues consist of the funding relating to a number of
 16 low-income discounts, distributed energy resource (DER) incentives, and research
 17 initiatives. These programs include the California Alternative Rates for Energy (CARE)
 18 surcharge, self-generation incentive program (SGIP), tree mortality, the Electric Program
 19 Investment Charge (EPIC), and former Energy Efficiency (EE) Public Goods Charge,
 20

¹⁶ Publ. Util. Code § 327(a)(7). Wildfire mitigation costs provide shared societal benefits to all customers and the equal cents per kWh method reflects those benefits. The two main benefits of wildfire mitigation are reduced risk of material damage to life and property as well as reduced greenhouse gas emissions (GHG). Both benefits are non-exclusive and benefit everybody and are exceedingly critical as these risks intensify.

¹⁷ D.21-11-016, *Decision Adopting Marginal Costs, Revenue Allocation, and Rate Designs For Pacific Gas and Electric Company*, November 19, 2021, at 93 and 94.

¹⁸ PG&E response to Cal Advocates Data Request No. 011, Question 003, Attachment 01. Full response provided in Excel file is available at <https://pgera.azurewebsites.net/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2F>.

1 and Energy Savings Assistance. The CARE surcharge will continue to be allocated on an
2 equal cents per kWh basis.¹⁹ SGIP costs will be assigned in the manner specified by
3 Resolution E-4926.²⁰

4 Tree mortality will continue to be allocated by the 12 Coincident Peak method.²¹
5 The remaining PPP costs will be allocated on percent of total revenue share with
6 generation imputed for direct access (DA) and community choice aggregation (CCA)
7 customers.²² Because these allocation factors are either required by law, specified by
8 resolution/decision, or reached via months of good faith settlement discussions, retention
9 of such allocation methods is reasonable.

10 **D. The Commission Should Adopt a 3% Collar on Class**
11 **Total Bundled and 6% Collar on Class Distribution**
12 **Average Rate Changes in Conjunction with PG&E’s**
13 **Proposed 4-Year Transition to Mitigate Disproportionate**
14 **Bill Impacts.**

15 PG&E justifies its proposed movement to “full-cost” marginal costs by claiming
16 that doing so advances rate design principles of cost causation,²³ accurate price signals,²⁴
17 and support of state policy goals.²⁵ However, the Commission has additional rate design
18 principles that require attention to bill impacts and affordability.²⁶ These additional
19 principles should not be ignored given the recent history of unprecedented rate increases.
20 Taking these additional factors into consideration, the Commission should minimize
21 changes to rates to the greatest extent possible with the use of rate collaring. A rate collar

¹⁹ PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 2-5.

²⁰ Resolution (R.) E-4926 at 17. Allocate costs on the basis of the actual benefits resulting from the disbursement of program incentives over the previous three years in its service territory.

²¹ PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 2-5.

²² PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 2-5.

²³ PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 2-3.

²⁴ PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 2-3.

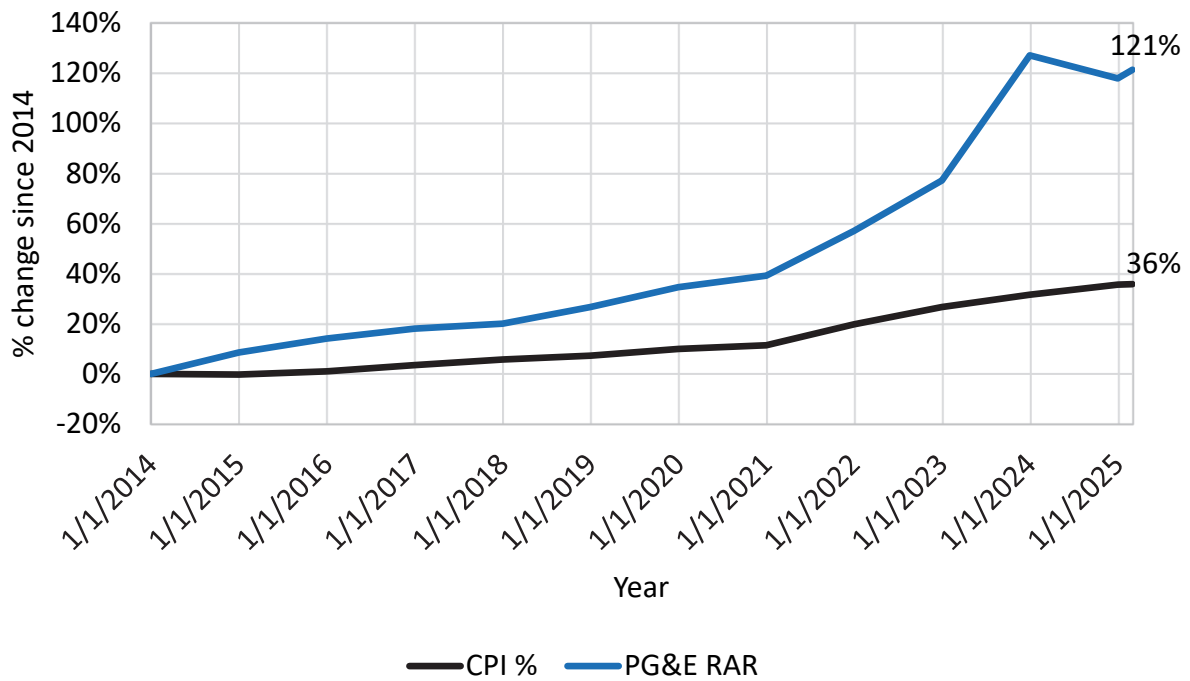
²⁵ PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 3.

²⁶ D.23-04-040, *Decision Adopting Electric Rate Design Principles and Demand Flexibility Design Principles*, May 3, 2023, at 2.

1 refers to the simultaneous capping and flooring of a rate. A 3% collar on total rates
2 restricts any class from seeing an increase larger than 3% or a reduction of less than -3%
3 in the total bundled average rate.²⁷ Similarly, a 6% collar on the distribution component
4 will restrict distribution average rates from seeing an increase larger than 6% or a
5 reduction of less than -6%.

6 **1. Rate Increases in PG&E’s Service Territory**
7 **Impose Enormous Affordability Pressures.**

Figure 5-1 PGE YOY Residential Average Rate Changes Relative to Inflation



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10 Since 2014, PG&E’s residential average rate (RAR) increased by over 121% while
11 inflation increased only 36% over the same period. A large part of PG&E’s increase
12 occurred since 2020, when PG&E first proposed a less aggressive movement to “full-cost
13 rates.” PG&E’s residential average rate increased by 62% between 2020 and 2025 while
14 the general inflation rate (which is also unprecedented) increased by 23%. The rate of

²⁷ Total bundled average rate refers to all the combined charges that comprise an average rate including generation, distribution and other rate components.

1 increase between these years far outpaces the increases over the previous 5-year period
2 by a significant margin. Between 2015 and 2019, the residential average rate increased
3 by a much more moderate 17%.

4 **Table 5-4 Comparison of PG&E RAR (2020-2025)**

Year (BOY)	RAR (\$/kWh)	Change Since 2020	CPI Change Since 2020
2020	\$0.23482	0%	0%
2021	\$0.24289	3%	1%
2022	\$0.27405	17%	9%
2023	\$0.30918	32%	16%
2024	\$0.39643	69%	20%
2025	\$0.38032	62%	23%

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6 **Table 5-5 Comparison of PG&E RAR (2015-2019)**

Year (BOY)	RAR (\$/kWh)	Change Since 2015	CPI Since 2015
2015	\$0.18938	0%	0.00%
2016	\$0.19913	5%	1.37%
2017	\$0.20602	9%	3.91%
2018	\$0.20940	11%	6.06%
2019	\$0.22100	17%	7.70%

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8 In its 2020 GRC 2 proceeding, PG&E cited the COVID-19 pandemic and ongoing
9 transition to TOU rates as reasons for adopting a more gradual glide path towards “full-
10 cost” rates than the process PG&E is recommending in this proceeding.²⁸ Compared to
11 that period, affordability is considerably worse as illustrated in Tables 5-4 and 5-5. These

²⁸ PG&E-3, Chapter 2, at 2-8.

1 deteriorating affordability conditions necessitate more gradualism in rate changes than
2 what PG&E recommends for all customer classes.

3 **2. A 3%/-3% And 6%/-6% Collars on Bundled**
4 **Total and Distribution Average Rates**
5 **Respectively Will Moderate Rate Impacts.**

6 Without caps and floors, PG&E’s proposals will result in wide ranging average
7 rate impacts of between -17.64% and 11.62%.²⁹ Though PG&E’s proposal to implement
8 such changes over 4 years seems gradual, the rate impacts presented at the end of this
9 4-year transition period do not factor in possible revenue requirement increases.
10 Increases in revenue allocation are exacerbated by increases in revenue requirements and
11 sales decline between attrition years. To illustrate this point, assuming a 5% increase in
12 revenues year-over-year (which is half of the increase in the bundled average rate in the
13 period 2020-2025), and an uncapped increase of 4.9% in bundled average rates, PG&E’s
14 proposal would result in a 28% rate increase. On the other hand, assuming the same 5%
15 increase in annual revenues but this 4.9% increase in bundled average rates is capped at
16 3%, the total increase in rates relative to today is mitigated to 18%. This 18% increase by
17 year 4 can still be considered high, but it is considerably lower than the 28% increase that
18 would otherwise result under the scenario of applying PG&E’s proposals. Therefore, to
19 mitigate rate impacts in light of the affordability crisis, the Commission should adopt Cal
20 Advocates’ proposed rate collars in conjunction with PG&E’s proposal to implement
21 changes in increments over 4 years.

22 **3. Commission Precedent Supports Caps and**
23 **Floors to Mitigate Rate Impacts of Changing**
24 **Revenue Allocations.**

25 The Commission implemented capping mechanisms in the past to mitigate rate
26 impacts affecting rate classes as a result of changes in underlying marginal cost
27 assumptions. In D.18-08-013, the Commission states that “in the revenue allocation
28 context, ‘caps and floors’ may be used to limit the rate impact of changes to a class’s

²⁹ See Table 5-1.

1 revenue allocation from one GRC Phase 2 proceeding to the next.”³⁰ Most recently, in
2 the Southern California Edison (SCE) GRC Phase 2 decision, the Commission adopted
3 the settling parties’ revenue allocation package which included a capping provision.³¹
4 Similarly, in PG&E’s 2020 GRC Phase 2, the Commission approved a 1.5% cap,
5 observing that such a policy led to average rate impacts of less than one and a half
6 percent in either a positive or negative direction for any given class.³² The Commission
7 should continue opting for a conservative capping policy to limit the rate impact of
8 changes to a class’s revenue allocation between this GRC.

9 **E. The Commission Should Direct PG&E to Find Areas in**
10 **Its RA Model to Simplify and/or Streamline.**

11 PG&E should strive to reduce significant complexity of its revenue allocation
12 model to facilitate GRC2 analysis going forward. At its current form, PG&E’s model is
13 highly complex and cumbersome. The model is a behemoth, comprised of
14 23 spreadsheets in total which all need to be opened simultaneously to operate. To test
15 various marginal cost scenarios, parties need to modify 1,829 data points located in the
16 “marginal cost table” portion of PG&E’s revenue allocation model. Even before
17 inputting up to 1,829 data points, parties must first use separate models to convert
18 marginal costs to these 1,829 data points before being able to copy and paste the outputs
19 into the marginal cost table. This cumbersome process has created numerous issues
20 (discussed below) and made it difficult to audit the reasonableness of the results
21 computed. By comparison, the modeling process is much simpler in SCE’s and
22 San Diego Gas & Electric’s (SDG&E) RA models, where just a smaller set of marginal

³⁰ D.18-08-013, *Decision on Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s Proposed Rate Designs and Related Issues*, August 17, 2018, at 167, Conclusions of Law No. 9.

³¹ D.22-08-001, *Decision Adopting Five Uncontested Partial Settlements Resolving Most Issues for Southern California Edison Company’s Phase 2 General Rate Case*, August 9, 2022, at 45, Ordering Paragraph (OP) No. 1.

³² D.21-11-019 at 93. Given that the approved marginal costs and the RA settlement together lead to average rate impacts of less than one and a half percent in either a positive or negative direction for any given class, the rate impacts of the RA settlement are reasonable. The actual cap proposed by the RA settlement is 1.5 percent. D.21-11-019 at 84. These provisions approved in OP No. 15. D.21-11-019 at 168.

1 costs need to be inputted to run the model and does not require more than 10 spreadsheets
2 to be open at a time. Below are some examples of issues with the model for this
3 proceeding:

- 4 • The workpapers that converted the marginal costs to useable form for
5 RA purposes did not provide the same number of data points that
6 correspondingly matches what is in the MC input table. It is unclear
7 whether this mismatch leads to different results.
- 8 • Simply changing the values in the MC input table crashed the model,
9 creating #N/A issues throughout the 23 spreadsheets even though no
10 cells were moved and no formulas were changed.³³

11 The discovery process uncovered errors and glitches, primarily through follow-ups
12 to Data Request responses. Three examples are highlighted below of instances when
13 such errors were discovered before being promptly corrected.

- 14 • January 31 – negative delivered billing determinants assumed to be
15 corrected in April 18th errata.
- 16 • May 27 – Capping formulas were missing references to the new BEV
17 schedules which was causing errors to capping mechanisms.
- 18 • May 27 – #N/A error from PG&E’s April 18th errata update and a
19 mismatch in the number of required MC table inputs and converted MC.

20 Constantly chasing new corrections as they come makes it challenging to verify
21 the true impact of both PG&E’s and Cal Advocates’ proposals over the course of this
22 proceeding to date. The Commission should direct PG&E to investigate ways to
23 streamline and simplify modeling and retrieval of RA results.

24 **III. CONCLUSION**

25 The Commission should employ Cal Advocates’ marginal cost proposals to inform
26 “full-cost” revenue allocation targets and apply collars of 3% on generation and 6% on
27 distribution rates in conjunction with PG&E’s 4-year glidepath to mitigate
28 disproportionate bill impacts in light of concerning affordability trends.

³³ Whenever there is a blank value in any of the 1800+ marginal cost inputs, sampling populating these spaces with “\$0” after the fact does not correct the model. All 23 spreadsheets needed to be closed and reopened and all marginal cost inputs needed to be refreshed.

APPENDIX A

Qualifications of Witness

1 **QUALIFICATIONS AND PREPARED TESTIMONY**
2 **OF**
3 **NATHAN CHAU**

4 Q.1 Please state your name and address.
5

6 A.1 My name is Nathan Chau and my business address is 505 Van Ness Avenue,
7 San Francisco, California.
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9 Q.2 By whom are you employed and what is your job title?
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11 A.2 I work in the Electricity Pricing and Customer Programs Branch of Cal Advocates
12 as a Regulatory Analyst.
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14 Q.3 Please describe your educational and professional experience.
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16 A.3 I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Applied Economics from the University of
17 the Pacific. My degree included coursework in finance, economics, and
18 econometrics that I find relevant to this case. Since joining the Commission in
19 April 2015, I have actively participated in a number of rate cases such as
20 SDG&E's General Rate Case Phase II (A.23-01-008), PG&E's General Rate Case
21 Phase II (A.16-06-013), the Time-of-Use Order Instituting Rulemaking
22 (R.15-12-012), the Application on SB 350 Transportation Electrification Proposals
23 (A.17-01-021) and the Order Instituting Rulemaking to Revisit Net Energy
24 Metering Tariffs (R.20-08-020). I also worked as project coordinator and witness
25 in PG&E's General Rate Case Phase II (A.19-11-019).
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27 Q.4 What is your area of responsibility in this proceeding?
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29 A.4 I am project coordinator and author for Chapters 2 and 5 on MGCC and Revenue
30 Allocation in Cal Advocates' Prepared Testimony in this proceeding.
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32 Q.5 Does that complete your prepared testimony?
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34 A.5 Yes, it does.
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