

## NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING FOR PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO INCREASE RATES IN ITS 2020 GENERAL RATE CASE APPLICATION (A.18-12-009)

DATE AND TIME	LOCATION
September 23–October 18 at 9:30 a.m. (Daily) and November 6 (details will be posted to the CPUC Daily Calendar)	Commission Courtroom State Office Building 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

### SUMMARY

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will conduct evidentiary hearings to review PG&E's request to increase rates in its 2020 General Rate Case Phase 1 (GRC) application.

**Please note:** The CPUC's Courtroom is wheelchair accessible. If you wish to attend and need specialized accommodations, please contact the Public Advisor's Office (PAO) at least five business days prior to the hearing date. Any changes to the dates, times and locations of the hearings will be posted to the CPUC's Daily Calendar.

### ABOUT THE APPLICATION

Every three years, PG&E is required to file with the CPUC a GRC application to request funding necessary to operate our gas distribution, electric distribution, and electric generation assets safely and reliably.

PG&E requests authority to increase its gas distribution, electric distribution, and electric generation base revenue requirements by \$1.058 billion in 2020, which would result in a 12.4% increase over its 2019 adopted revenues of \$8.518 billion. PG&E also requests the Commission to grant it authority to increase its revenue requirement by \$454 million, or 4.7%, in 2021 and \$486 million, or 4.8%, in 2022. If approved, this application will increase PG&E's rates for 2020 through 2022. The new rates will go into effect only after a final decision is issued by the CPUC.

PG&E proposes safety investments and infrastructure upgrades, including investments to increase wildfire prevention and electric reliability. Programs that would be funded with the requested increases include:

- Replacing distribution overhead power line in high-fire risk areas with covered conductors;
- Replacing wood poles with non-wood poles;
- Implementing SmartMeter™ technology to more quickly identify and respond to fallen power lines;
- Increasing ongoing work to keep power lines clear of branches from the more than 120 million trees with the potential to grow or fall into our overhead power lines;
- Enhancing PG&E's Wildfire Safety Operations Center;
- Adding several hundred more fire cameras, weather stations and communications capabilities.

### HOW WILL PG&E'S APPLICATION AFFECT ME?

Many customers receive bundled electric service from PG&E, meaning they receive electric generation, transmission and distribution services. Based on rates in effect when the application was filed on December 13, 2018, the electric bill for a typical residential bundled nonCARE customer using 500 kWh per month would increase from \$113.64 to \$122.37, or 7.7%.

Direct Access and Community Choice Aggregation customers only receive electric transmission and distribution services from PG&E. On average, these customers would see an increase of 7.5%.

Departing Load customers do not receive electric generation, transmission or distribution services from PG&E. However, they are required by law or CPUC decision to pay certain charges. On average, these customers would see an increase of 3%.

Bundled gas customers receive transmission, distribution, and procurement services from PG&E. Based on rates in effect when the application was filed, the gas bill for a typical residential nonCARE customer averaging 34 therms per month would increase from \$52.30 to \$54.13, or 3.5%.

These amounts are based on the year 2020, which is the year of the highest impact. Actual impacts will vary depending on usage. Detailed rate information was provided in a bill insert sent directly to customers in January 2019.

### TO OBTAIN COPIES

If you would like a copy of PG&E's filing and exhibits, please write to: **PG&E, 2020 General Rate Case Phase 1 Application A.18-12-009, P.O. Box 7442, San Francisco, CA 94120**. Copies of PG&E's filing and exhibits are also available for review by appointment at the CPUC's Central Files Office in San Francisco. For more information, please contact them at [aljcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:aljcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov) or **1-415-703-2045**. PG&E's filing (without exhibits) is available on the CPUC's website at [www.cpuc.ca.gov/puc](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/puc).

### CPUC PROCESS

At these Evidentiary Hearings, the assigned Judge will receive testimony from PG&E, consumer advocacy groups and other parties to this proceeding. These hearings are open to the public, but only those who are parties to the proceeding may present evidence or testimony and be subject to cross-examination. The hearings and documents submitted during this proceeding will become part of the formal record the Judge will rely upon in writing a proposed decision to present to the Commissioners for their consideration.

After considering all proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process, the assigned Judge will issue a proposed decision which may adopt, modify or deny PG&E's proposal. Any of the five CPUC Commissioners may also sponsor an alternate decision. The proposed decision and any alternate decisions will be discussed and voted upon by the Commissioners at a scheduled public CPUC Voting Meeting.

The California Public Advocates Office (CalPA) has reviewed this proposal. CalPA is the independent consumer advocate within the CPUC with a legislative mandate to represent investor-owned utility customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. CalPA has a multidisciplinary staff with expertise in economics, finance, accounting and engineering. For more information about CalPA, please call **1-415-703-1584**, email [PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov) or visit <http://www.publicadvocates.cpuc.ca.gov>.

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Please reference **2020 General Rate Case Phase 1 Application (A.18-12-009)** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter. All public comments will become part of the public correspondence file for this proceeding and made available for review by the assigned Judge, the Commissioners and appropriate CPUC staff.

## NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING FOR PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO INCREASE RATES IN ITS NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING APPLICATION (A.18-12-008)

DATE AND TIME	LOCATION
September 23–27 at 9:00 a.m. (Daily)	Commission Courtroom State Office Building 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

### SUMMARY

These Evidentiary Hearings have been scheduled by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to review PG&E's request to increase rates in its Nuclear Decommissioning Cost Triennial Proceeding (NDCTP) application.

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### ABOUT THE APPLICATION

Every three years, PG&E is required to file an NDCTP application with the CPUC. This 2018 NDCTP application (A.18-12-008) includes updated decommissioning costs since the 2015 NDCTP application was filed.

This 2018 NDCTP application (A.18-12-008) is consistent with the CPUC's decision to approve retirement of Diablo Canyon Power Plant by 2025. The 2018 NDCTP application includes costs related to the following:

- Planning and preparation for decommissioning activities
- Obtaining necessary regulatory approvals and permits
- Demolition and disposal of existing site facilities
- Site restoration activities
- Managing spent nuclear fuel storage until disposal by the Department of Energy
- Maintaining necessary security operations

PG&E is seeking \$417 million for each of the years covered in this application, which are 2020, 2021 and 2022.

### HOW WILL PG&E'S APPLICATION AFFECT ME?

Many customers receive bundled electric service from PG&E, meaning they receive electric generation, transmission and distribution services. Based on rates in effect when the application was filed, the electric bill for a typical residential bundled nonCARE customer using 500 kWh per month would increase from \$113.64 to \$116.03, or 2.1%.

Direct Access and Community Choice Aggregation customers only receive electric transmission and distribution services from PG&E. On average, these customers will see an increase of 4.2%.

Departing Load customers do not receive electric generation, transmission or distribution services from PG&E. However, they are required by law or CPUC decision to pay certain charges. On average, these customers will see an increase of 39.8%.

Actual impacts will vary depending on usage. Detailed rate information was provided in a bill insert sent directly to customers.

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