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Pursuant to Rule 1.4(a)(4) and (b) of the California Public Utilities Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and procedure, the City of San Bruno respectfully files this motion for party status in the above entitled proceeding. The Order Instituting Investigation provides: "Other persons who intend to move for party status may also file comment on these matters within ten days of the date this order is issued, provided that such comment is accompanied by written motion for party status (See Rule 1.4(a)(4) and (b)) and such motion is granted." Concurrent herewith the City of San Bruno files comments on the matters to be considered in the OII.

San Bruno desires party status for the following reasons. This proceeding results from the following motions filed in investigation I.12-01-007, Investigation into the Operations and Practices of Pacific Gas and Electric Company to Determine Violations of Pub. Util. Code § 451, General Order 112, and Other Applicable Standards, Laws, Rules and Regulations in Connection with the San Bruno Explosion and Fire on September 9, 2010, and related investigations I.11-02-016 and

<sup>1</sup> OII, at p. 8.

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I.11-11-009. (Pipeline Investigations):

- 1. Motion of the City of San Bruno For An Order To Show Cause Why Pacific Gas And Electric Company Should Not Be Held In Violation of Commission Rule of Practice And Procedure 8.3(b) (Rule Against Ex Parte Communications) and for Sanctions and Fees, filed on July 28, 2014.
- 2. Motion for Evidentiary Hearing on City of San Bruno's Motion for an Order to Show Cause as to Why Pacific Gas and Electric Company Should Not Be Held in Violation of Commission Rule of Practice and Procedure 8.3(b) and for Sanctions and Fees, filed on November 10, 2014.

This Commission noted in D.15-04-024, "Due to the seriousness of the allegations raised by [the City of San Bruno] we believe they should be further investigated." The Commission concludes in this OII; "We find that this investigation is the appropriate forum to review these allegations."

This OII further results from the public disclosure or emails obtained from the Commission under the California Public Records Act under the terms of a settlement agreement in the San Francisco Superior Court proceeding, *City of San Bruno v. CPUC*, Case No. CGC-14-537139.

The self-disclosures and admissions of PG&E in all the listed proceedings are not as a result of a trip to the corporate confessional but a direct and proximate result of have been caught in "pari delicto" of violating the Commission's Rules of Practice and procedure.

Accordingly, San Bruno has a clear and material interest in this proceeding, it does not believe that its participation will unnecessarily broaden the issues under consideration and that it will serve the interests of the Commission and public. San Bruno asks that all be provided to:

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