

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF
THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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Application of Pacific Gas and Electric
Company for Authority, Among Other
Things, to Increase Rates and Charges for
Electric and Gas Service Effective on
January 1, 2017

Application 15-09-001
(Filed September 1, 2015)

MOTION FOR PARTY STATUS FOR CENTER FOR ACCESSIBLE TECHNOLOGY

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I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Rule 1.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Center for Accessible Technology (CforAT) respectfully requests to be granted party status in this proceeding.

II. COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 1.4(B)

Rule 1.4(b) provides that a person seeking party status by filing a motion to become a party shall:

(1) fully disclose the persons or entities in whose behalf the filing, appearance or motion is made, and the interest of such persons or entities in the proceeding; and

(2) state the factual and legal contentions that the person intends to make and show that the contentions will be reasonably pertinent to the issues already presented.

CforAT seeks party status in order to represent the interests of PG&E customers with disabilities. CforAT regularly represents the interests of customers with disabilities before the Commission, including efforts to ensure that regulated utilities provide services in a manner that is accessible to such customers. CforAT has been a party to multiple prior General Rate Cases involving PG&E, as well as General Rate Cases involving other IOUs.

In this proceeding, as in previous General Rate Cases, CforAT has entered into separate discussions with PG&E, which resulted in a signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on access issues. This MOU was incorporated into PG&E's GRC Application as Attachment A to Chapter 5 of PG&E's Testimony (Exhibit PG&E-6).

CforAT intends to participate in a limited manner in the active litigation of this proceeding, primarily to support adoption of the MOU. To the extent that the contents of the MOU are challenged by any other party, CforAT will respond as appropriate. If the MOU is not challenged, CforAT does not anticipate active participation, but will monitor the proceeding in a general manner. CforAT also anticipates ongoing efforts to oversee implementation of the comparable agreement that was adopted as part of PG&E's 2014 GRC and remains in effect.

III. SERVICE LIST REQUEST

CforAT requests that its formal appearance be entered in this proceeding as follows:

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IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, CforAT respectfully requests to be granted party status in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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