# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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, 2020. (U 39 M)

Application 18-12-009 (Filed December 13, 2018)

## PREHEARING CONFERENCE STATEMENT OF THE UTILITY REFORM NETWORK

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the *Administrative Law Judges' Ruling Setting Prehearing*Conference, dated January 22, 2019, and Rule 7.2 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, The Utility Reform Network (TURN) submits this Prehearing Conference (PHC) Statement. TURN recommends a procedural schedule for this proceeding and also addresses Public Participation Hearings.

#### II. SCHEDULE

TURN has conferred with the Applicant, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), as well as the Public Advocates Office, in an attempt to propose a mutually agreeable schedule. As a result, TURN recommends the adoption of the following schedule, which is also supported by PG&E and the Public Advocates Office. TURN understands that PG&E has also conferred with certain other parties regarding this procedural schedule and will address this in PG&E's PHC Statement.

Activity	PG&E Application	TURN Proposal
Public Advocates Office Testimony	June 3, 2019	June 28, 2019
Intervenor Testimony	July 1, 2019	July 26, 2019
Rebuttal Testimony	August 13, 2019	September 6, 2019
Evidentiary Hearings Begin	August 27, 2019	September 30, 2019
Evidentiary Hearings End	September 20, 2019	October 25, 2019
Comparison Exhibit	October 9, 2019	November 13, 2019
Opening Briefs	October 18, 2019	November 22, 2019
Reply Briefs	November 8, 2019	December 18, 2019

#### III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS

The schedule originally proposed by PG&E included Public Participation

Hearings (PPHs) in the July/August 2019 timeframe, which corresponds with the interval between the due date for Intervenor Testimony and beginning of Evidentiary Hearings in PG&E's original schedule. TURN recommends that the Commission hold a series of PPHs in selected locations throughout PG&E's service territory during this same timeframe in the schedule jointly proposed by TURN and other parties (August/September 2019).

The Commission held 11 PPHs in the last three PG&E General Rate Cases (GRC), with some variation among the GRCs in the locations where PPHs were held.<sup>2</sup> TURN intends to provide recommendations for PPH locations in this proceeding at the Prehearing Conference or at the time designated by the Commission for such input.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

TURN respectfully requests that the Commission adopt the procedural schedule presented above and additionally schedule PPHs between Intervenor Testimony and Evidentiary Hearings. TURN will provide recommendations for the locations of PPHs at a future time.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> PG&E Application, p. 30.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> PG&E 2017 GRC: Bakersfield, Fresno, Stockton, Chico, Richmond, Oakland, San Francisco, Santa Rosa, San Bruno, San Jose, and San Luis Obispo (A.15-09-001, ALJ Ruling Setting Schedule for PPHs, 5-11-16, pp. 2-3); PG&E 2014 GRC: San Bruno, San Francisco, Fresno, Bakersfield, Santa Rosa, Stockton, Oakland, Chico, San Jose, Soledad, and San Luis Obispo (A.12-11-009, ALJ Ruling Setting Schedule for PPHs, 3-11-13, pp. 2-3); PG&E 2011 GRC: San Francisco, Fresno, Bakersfield, Ukiah, Santa Rosa, Oakland, Woodland, Red Bluff, San Jose, Salinas, and San Luis Obispo (A.09-12-020, ALJ Ruling Establishing Joint PPHs, 3-30-10, pp. 2-3).

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