

California Public Utilities Commission Proceeding Public Comments

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Filer Name List: PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Description: 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. (U39M)

Assignment List: ALJ: Elaine Lau (Assigned Jan 11, 2019)

ALJ: Rafael L. Lirag (Assigned Jan 11, 2019)

COMMISSIONER: Clifford Rechtschaffen (Assigned May 3, 2021)

Total Comments: 3

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The recent proposed PGE rate hikes are completely unacceptable! Most of us 'not wealthy' people can't afford anything near an additional 30\$/mo. hike in our bills! It's not as if we can use a different utility, we're forced to use PGE! It's also not as if we're all getting \$30+ raises where we work, so this increase on our bills will be an undue hardship in order to supposedly cover the costs of upgrading infrastructure?! Isn't that part of their responsibilities anyway?

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To whom this may concern,

I am writing this with the hopes that it will help lead to a decision against awarding PG&E their request to continue victimizing their own paying customers already overburdened with the high cost of utilities for such poor service.

For years, PG&E has taken the money of all its customers and put in places not meant to benefit the customer, but their own pockets. They've stated in public the millions in profit they've received year after year, all the while ignoring the inevitable. They've known the risks of not maintaining the infrastructure to the public, yet they ignored it simply because nothing wrong had happened yet. Then in San Bruno, Ca., it finally happened. Then, it happened again with the number of California wildfires destroying hundreds of homes, leaving countless homeless. Had PG&E been using their money appropriately, most of those incidents, if not all, could have been avoided. Homes would still be up. The victims would still be alive today.

Now, even with the \$18 million in big settlements PG&E pays out to the victims, nothing is taken from their own finances. Instead, they get passed to the consumer as "necessary increases to your bill to continue to provide a high level of customer service and safety". We know better. They have managed to keep their revenue untouched, and thus, their pockets full by not having to take any financial responsibility for their own negligence. They have had decades to work on the infrastructure piece by piece, section by section, but instead filled their own pockets and the pockets of the shareholders with all the profits.

I'm tired of PG&E passing their problems on to us, the paying customer. PG&E is making more money now than they have ever been. It was reported in 2018 their net income was \$564 million...in the third quarter alone! Their revenue has been increasing by 15% year after year! In addition, there are so many more solar homes generating energy to the power grid, at no cost to PG&E, yet those customers are still made to pay PG&E to do it! They should be getting paid from PG&E for adding to the grid, not the other way around!

So please deny PG&E for once, and let them finally take responsibility and pay for their own faults. They get plenty of revenue already as shown through their profits. They don't need anymore. Awarding them will only enable their bad practices, greed and their negligence, and ultimately force the consumer to pay for it again and again. Thank you for your time.

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While I completely understand the need to raise the rates, I feel that this is not in the best interest of California citizens, and will only fuel PG&E to continue to mismanage money and continue to give their investors and administration large amounts of money. It is wrong for this utility, while not a public utility per se but has the public's interest in hand, to continue to not take into consideration the needs of the public.

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