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NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS REGARDING PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S 2017 GENERAL RATE CASE PHASE II APPLICATION (A.16-06-013)

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) and the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) would like to hear from you.

The CPUC will hold a series of Public Participation Hearings (PPHs) to hear your comments about the second phase of PG&E's 2017 General Rate Case (GRC). The purpose of Phase II of the GRC is to determine the cost each customer class is responsible for and to determine the rate schedules for each customer class.

Public Participation Hearings

These hearings will be your opportunity to express your views on PG&E's GRC. The PPHs will be facilitated by an Administrative Law Judge (Judge) and oral comments will be accepted from the public. At each location, customer service representatives from PG&E will be available to assist individual customers with their accounts.

PPH dates, time and locations

Anyone wishing to present their views to the CPUC may attend one of the hearings scheduled below:

OAKLAND

**July 27, 2017
2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

Elihu M Harris Building, Room 1
1515 Clay Street
Oakland, CA 94612

STOCKTON

**August 15, 2017
2 p.m. and 6 p.m.**

31 E. Channel Street, Auditorium
Stockton, CA. 95202

BAKERSFIELD

**August 14, 2017
2 p.m. and 6 p.m.**

Bakersfield City Council Chamber
1600 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Please note: All locations are wheelchair accessible. If you need a language interpreter or special assistance, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at the address listed below at least five days in advance of the hearing date.

About the filing

Every three years, PG&E is required to file a GRC with the CPUC. On June 30, 2016, PG&E filed its 2017 GRC Phase II Application (A.16-06-013). Although this application proposes an increase of \$0.5 million in annual revenues related to previously incurred rate development costs, the primary purpose is to assign already authorized revenues to its customers and adjust rate design. This proposal will more accurately align rates with the costs of providing electric service to customers.

How will PG&E's application affect me?

Most customers receive bundled electric service from PG&E, meaning they receive electric generation, transmission and distribution services. Within this category, most non-residential customers will see a small increase to rates (less than 0.5 percent), while the remaining customers (including residential) will see a slight decrease to rates. On average, bundled customers will see a 0.03 percent increase to rates.

Direct Access (DA) and Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) customers only receive electric transmission and distribution services from PG&E. Medium and large commercial customers as well as industrial customers will see an increase to rates of up to 0.3 percent. The other customer classes, including residential customers, will see a decrease in rates. On average, DA and CCA customers will see a 0.3 percent decrease to rates.

Departing Load (DL) customers do not receive electric generation, transmission or distribution services from PG&E. However, they are required to pay certain charges as required by law or CPUC decision. The impact on DL customers is \$0.2 million, or an average increase of 0.6 percent.

If approved, PG&E's request would change electric rates as early as the first quarter of 2018.

CPUC process

As a party of record, the Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) has reviewed this application. ORA is the independent consumer advocacy group 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. The ORA has a multi-disciplinary staff with expertise in economics, finance, accounting and engineering. For more information about ORA, please call **1-415-703-1584**, email ora@cpuc.ca.gov or visit ORA's website at www.ora.ca.gov.

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If you cannot attend a PPH but would like to comment you may submit your written comments to the Public Advisor's Office. Please reference PG&E's 2017 GRC Phase II, A.16-06-013 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 for the Judge, the Commissioners, and appropriate CPUC staff.

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