NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

PROJECT NAME: Tesla Generating Station (Alameda County and San Joaquin County) APPLICATION NUMBER: A.08-07-018

Proposed Project: In order to create adequate electric generation to maintain reliable electric service in Northern California, Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E") proposes to construct a new nominal 560 megawatt capacity natural gas-fired combined cycle electrical generating power plant project on undeveloped agricultural land (Assessor parcel No. 99B-7825-1-4 Section 30, Township 2S, Range 4E) in eastern Alameda County, California, approximately 5 miles west of the city of Tracy in San Joaquin County and approximately 8 miles east of the city of Livermore in Alameda County (the "Project"). The proposed Project is bordered by an abandoned railroad right-of-way to the north and Midway Road to the east, and is located approximately 0.5 miles north of PG&E's existing Tesla Substation.

The proposed Project consists of two natural gas-fired turbines using two heat recovery steam generators to power a steam turbine generator, an emissions control system, a 0.8 mile double-circuit 230-kilovolt (kV) transmission line to interconnect the power plant to the existing transmission grid at PG&E's existing Tesla substation, a 2.8 mile 24-inch natural gas pipeline, a 1.7-mile water line to be constructed along Midway Road, an 11-mile wastewater supply pipeline from the Project site to the existing Tracy Waste Water Treatment Plant located at 3900 Holly Drive in Tracy, and other ancillary facilities (all distances approximate).

The California Resources and Development Commission ("CEC") has jurisdiction over the siting and environmental review of this Project, and between 2002 and 2004 the CEC conducted an independent analysis of the proposed Project to assess any potential environmental impacts under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), and concluded that all impacts would be mitigated to less-than-significant levels. After conducting its analysis, the CEC granted its approval of the Project and its site on June 22, 2004, in Docket No. 01-AFC-21. PG&E is currently seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") from the California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC"), which is required prior to undertaking construction of the power plant and its associated 230 kV direct assignment transmission line by an investor-owned utility like PG&E. Construction is planned to start in the second quarter of 2009 or as soon as possible after approval from the CPUC. The Project is expected to be ready for commercial operation by the fall of 2011, or as soon as possible after permitting and construction is completed.

Application for CPUC Authorization: Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code section 1001, no electrical corporation shall begin the construction of a plant or certain transmission line facilities without first having obtained from the CPUC a certificate determining that the present or future public convenience or necessity require or will require such construction ("CPCN"). Public Utilities Code section 1003.5 limits the scope of the issues to be considered in a CPCN application for a project, such as this one, that is subject to the siting jurisdiction of the CEC.

Public Review Process: Persons or groups may object to the granting in whole or in part of the authority sought in the application and request that the CPUC hold hearings on the application.

An original and seven (7) exact copies of each protest, response or request for hearing on this project must be filed with the CPUC by no later than August 20, 2008, at the following address:

California Public Utilities Commission Docket Office 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2001 San Francisco, California 94102

With a copy served by either First Class Mail or Hand-Delivery to:

Kerry Klein, Law Department Pacific Gas and Electric Company P.O. Box 7442 San Francisco, California 94120



Protests, responses and/or requests for hearing must comply with Article 2.6 and Article 7 of the CPUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure, and should include the following:

- 1. Your name, mailing address and daytime telephone number;
- 2. Reference to the CPUC Application Number and Project Name;
- 3. The facts constituting the grounds for the protest, the effect of the Application on you as a protestant, the reasons you believe part or all of the Application is not justified, and, if requesting an evidentiary hearing, the facts you would present at an evidentiary hearing to support a request for whole or partial denial of the Application. (See Rule 2.6 of the CPUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure, which can be accessed electronically at www.cpuc.ca.gov under the link to the Public Advisor's Office).

If the CPUC, as a result of its preliminary investigation after such requests, determines that public hearings should be held, the CPUC will notify you of the time and place of the requested hearing. The CPUC is authorized to act on the Application without hearings if there are no protests or requests for hearings or if the CPUC determines that no protest or request for a hearing has been filed that raises issues requiring a hearing.

Assistance in Filing a Protest or Requesting a Hearing: For assistance in filing a protest or requesting a hearing, contact the CPUC Public Advisor in San Francisco at (415) 703-2074, 1-866-849-8390 (toll-free), or TTY (415) 703-5258, or by e-mail at public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov.

Additional Project Information: To obtain additional information on the proposed project, including information on how and where you can review the Application and its supporting documents, please call PG&E's <u>Project Information Line</u> at (415) 973-5217, and provide the Application Number. Further information about the Project the CEC's siting and environmental review thereof can be obtained at the following web address: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/tesla/index.html.