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## Executive Summary

PG&E is conducting a Climate Vulnerability Assessment (CVA) to understand how the Company is vulnerable to climate driven hazards like wildfire, extreme heat events, torrential rainstorms, drought, and others. This is a critical step in creating climate adaptation plans that will help PG&E continue to provide Northern California with safe, clean, reliable, affordable energy into the climate-altered future.

PG&E's CVA Community Engagement Proposal (CEP) is intended as a framework for how PG&E and climate-vulnerable community stakeholders may work together to build mutual trust and engage in authentic and meaningful exchange regarding the expected climate resilience *of* the energy system and building community resilience *through* the energy system.

The CVA community engagement process is an opportunity for PG&E to practice engagement that moves beyond informing and consulting community to involving and collaborating with community. The CEP is explicitly framed as a proposal rather than a plan to invite collaboration with stakeholders that represent disadvantaged and vulnerable communities at the outset of the process.

The CEP is a good-faith effort to frame how engagement could be structured to promote authentic and meaningful interactions with the communities we serve while also preserving flexibility to approach each region in an appropriately customized way. It is also informed by practical considerations like costs and regulatory requirements.

PG&E looks forward to working with community members and the CBOs that represent them to understand how this process can best serve their energy and climate resilience-related needs. PG&E has a number of goals for this process, but they can be summarized as:

- **Sharing** information with the communities we serve about how climate change is expected to impact the *resilience of* the energy system
- **Learning** how some of our most vulnerable customers are experiencing the impacts of increasingly frequent and severe climate-driven hazards, and the tools they may or may not have to address those impacts. In other words, begin to understand how PG&E might contribute to **customer resilience through** the energy system.
- **Building trust with the communities we serve** by moving from informing and consulting with community to involving, collaborating, and sharing ownership of the process, relying on best-practices regarding meaningful community engagement, and setting clear expectations about how this process can benefit both PG&E and customer participants.

PG&E is looking forward to exploring what the communities we serve are thinking, feeling, and doing about energy service and the physical risks of climate change in their communities, and how we can be responsive to their needs as we invest in a climate resilient energy system on their behalf.