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PG&E Application for Confidential Designation: Integrated Energy Policy Report Electricity Demand Forecast Docket No. 23-IEPR-03

Dear Daniel Hashimi:

The California Energy Commission (CEC) has received Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E/applicant) repeated application for confidential designation, dated June 30, 2023 (TN 250895), covering the following Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) forms and specific data which is highlighted on the submitted spreadsheets:

- Form 1.1a: Forecast Sales to Customers (2024-2026)
- Form 1.1b: Forecast Sales to Customers (2024-2026)
- Form 1.2: All load categories (2024-2026)
- Form 1.3: Losses, Total Peak (2024-2026)
- Form 1.4: Bundled Customer Peak, Total Peak Demand (2024-2026)
- Form 1.5: 1-in-5, 1-in-10, and 1-in-20 temperatures (2024-2026)
- Form 1.6a: Forecast year 2023, Bundled Load, Bundled Losses, Unbundled Load, Unbundled Losses, BART, Total System Load
- Form 1.6a: Historical Period July 4, 2022, through December 31, 2022, Bundled Load, Bundled Losses, Total System Load
- Form 2.1: All economic and demographic assumptions for PG&E's service area owned by Moody's Analytics (2021-2034)

The applicant seeks confidentiality for this data pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2505(a)(4) as a repeated application.

California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2505(a)(4) provides: "Repeated Applications for Confidential Designation. If an applicant is seeking a confidential

designation for information that is substantially similar to information that was previously deemed confidential by the CEC pursuant to section 2508, or for which an application for confidential designation was granted by the executive director pursuant to 2505(a)(3)(A) of this section, the new application need contain only a certification, executed under penalty of perjury, stating that the information submitted is substantially similar to the previously submitted information and that all the facts and circumstances relevant to confidentiality remain unchanged. An application meeting these criteria will be approved."

Here, the applicant has attested under penalty of perjury that the information contained in the application is substantially similar to information previously deemed confidential by the CEC under section 2505(a)(3)(A) and that all the facts and circumstances relevant to confidentiality remain unchanged. The applicant notes that confidentiality for the same or substantially similar data was granted during prior IEPR proceedings in 2017, 2019 and 2021.

Therefore, the CEC designates the identified categories of data as confidential for the requested three-year period.

Please note that in addition to the spreadsheet containing the listed forms above, PG&E submitted a second document with its application entitled, *2023 IEPR Form 4, Electricity Demand Forecast Methods and Models*. While this document is labeled confidential, it was not addressed in the application. PG&E informed staff that Form 4 was filed in error, is not confidential and PG&E subsequently filed the document in the public docket.

Be advised that under the California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2506, one may petition to inspect or copy records that the CEC has designated as confidential. A decision on a petition to inspect or copy records is issued by the CEC's chief counsel. Under the California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2507, the executive director may disclose, or release records previously designated as confidential in certain circumstances. The procedures for acting on a petition and criteria for disclosing or releasing records previously designated as confidential are set in the California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 2506 to 2507.

If you have questions, please email <u>confidentialityapplication@energy.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Drew Bohan Executive Director