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Alice Stebbins Executive Director California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 5223 San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: <u>Implementation of the Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account for Additional Counties</u>
<u>Impacted by the 2019 Winter Storms</u>

Dear Ms. Stebbins:

In accordance with Commission Resolution E-3238, dated July 24, 1991, and the associated currently effective tariff sheets (Electric Preliminary Statement Part G and Gas Preliminary Statement Part AC), Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby provides notice that PG&E is also recording costs associated with the repair of facilities and restoration of service associated with the additional counties declared for the 2019 Winter Storms in the Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA). The costs associated with the multiple 2019 Winter Storms declarations include repairs of electric distribution facilities, gas transmission and distribution facilities and electric generation facilities costs associated with the restoration of electric and gas service as a result of the 2019 Winter Storms.

PG&E is submitting this letter to preserve the option of filing an application for cost recovery under CEMA provisions at a later date. Details about the disaster, the effects on PG&E's facilities, and the estimated repair and restoration costs are provided below:

1. Disaster

On April 12, 2019, the Governor of the State of California, Gavin Newsom, issued, as a result of the 2019 Winter Storms, another State of Emergency Proclamation under the California Emergency Services Act and section 8625 of the California Government Code for 8 additional counties, which included: Butte, Colusa, Del Norte, Mariposa, Napa, Santa Cruz, Solano, and Tuolumne (7 of the 8 counties are in PG&E's service area). The 2019 Winter Storms began on January 5, 2019, and brought high winds, substantial

precipitation and flooding as the various atmospheric river weather systems swept through California. As the storms caused additional impacts in more counties, this declaration was issued to help communities recover from the severe storms that caused widespread flooding, mudslides and damage to critical infrastructure.

It should be noted that on February 21, 2019¹ and February 28, 2019², Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in various counties related to this same event.

2. Effects on PG&E's Facilities

As of April 22, 2019, the 2019 Winter Storms is overall estimated to have damaged approximately 6,000 Electric Distribution facilities, 9 Electric Generation facilities and approximately 300 Gas Transmission and Distribution facilities.

The 2019 Winter Storms is overall estimated to have disrupted service to approximately 2.3 million electric customers and approximately 300 gas customers across PG&E's service territory.

3. Estimated Restoration Costs

Electric Distribution now estimates it will incur approximately \$184.6 million of overall incremental costs associated with the 2019 Winter Storms, of which \$80.7 million is estimated to be capital related and \$103.9 million is estimated to be expense related. Specifically related to the newest declaration, Electric Distribution estimates it will incur approximately \$37.1 million for the April 12, 2019 declaration, of which \$14.0 million is expected to be capital related and \$23.1 million is estimated to be expense related for the newly declared counties.

Electric Generation now estimates it will incur approximately \$5.5 million of overall incremental costs associated with the 2019 Winter Storms, of which \$3.7 million is estimated to be capital related and \$1.8 million is estimated to be expense related. Specifically related to the newest declaration, Electric Generation estimates it will incur

¹ The State of Emergency Declaration covered the following counties: Calaveras, El Dorado, Humboldt, Los Angeles, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Mono, Monterey, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Shasta, Tehama, Trinity, Ventura, and Yolo (14 of the 21 counties are in PG&E's service area).

² The State of Emergency Declaration covered the following counties: Amador, Glenn, Lake, Mendocino, and Sonoma (all counties are in PG&E's service area).

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> approximately \$250 thousand for the April 12, 2019 declaration, all of which is estimated to be expense related for the newly declared counties.

> Gas Transmission and Distribution now estimates it will incur approximately \$500 thousand of overall incremental costs associated with the 2019 Winter Storms, of which \$60 thousand is estimated to be capital related and \$440 thousand is estimated to be expense related. Specifically related to the newest declaration, Gas Transmission estimates it will incur approximately \$1 thousand for the April 12, 2019 declaration, all of which is estimated to be expense related for the newly declared counties.

If you have any questions about this CEMA notice, please do not hesitate to contact me at (415) 973-4464 or by email at Erik.Jacobson@pge.com.

Sincerely,

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cc: Edward Randolph, Director, Energy Division

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