Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Pursuant to the requirements of Senate Bill (SB) 695, which was codified into Public Utilities Code Section 748,¹ Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) appreciates the opportunity to provide its annual report to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or Commission) on measures PG&E recommends be taken to limit costs and rate increases.

This report includes:

- A summary report and recommendations to the CPUC and Legislature to reduce utility costs and rates;
- A description of PG&E's overall rate policies;
- A discussion of PG&E's management of rate components;
- A discussion of PG&E's policies and recommendations for limiting costs and rate increases while meeting the state's energy and environment goals for reducing greenhouse gases;
- A description of gas and electric rate components; and
- A schedule of PG&E's filings that may affect rates in 2019 and beyond.

1. Summary of Report and Recommendations to CPUC and Legislature to Reduce Utility Costs and Rates

PG&E knows how important it is to our customers that we keep monthly electricity and gas costs affordable while maintaining safe and reliable service. In addition to mitigating cost pressures, within the framework for the allocation of costs and rate design mandated by the California Legislature (Legislature) and the CPUC, PG&E seeks to equitably allocate costs among its customers based on cost-of-service principles. Crafting equitable allocation rules for revenue requirements among and within customer classes poses challenges, in part due to rate designs mandated by law and the need to collect revenues to fund programs that benefit a specific set of customers but are paid for by nonparticipating customers (where that allocation among customers may in some cases also be mandated by law).

Since the issuance of Decision (D.)15-07-001, *Decision on Residential Rate Reform,* the energy sector in California has seen rapid changes, including: technology innovations, new market entrants and expanded customer choice. Further, the state has continued to pursue efforts consistent with its vision for a clean electric future for California that includes a path to a 100 percent greenhouse gas (GHG) free electricity future (as evidenced by the passage of SB 100 in 2018). Critical to this future is a robust electric network that enhances reliability and safety, is affordable, and allows all Californians to equitably benefit from and finance this clean energy future.

As California approaches a time in which nearly all electrons are green and the "average" electric customer becomes harder to define, enhancing and maintaining the network that delivers those green electrons to all Californians becomes more and more

¹ SB 695 was approved by then-Governor Brown on October 11, 2009.

important. To support this clean electricity future, in which customers have more choice than they had in the past, the rate architecture needs to continue to evolve and ultimately transition to a structure under which customers pay for the network separately from paying for the electrons. Great progress has been made in California over the past five plus years through the Commission's leadership on residential rate reform. Reducing the emphasis on tiered pricing and beginning the gradual transition toward more cost-based TOU rates are two significant accomplishments thus far in the Commission's Residential Rate Reform proceeding.

However, despite these efforts, current rate design, and particularly residential rate design, is still lagging, as clean energy policy and technology continue to advance, and customers have new options and choices for electricity commodity services. As a result, PG&E believes more needs to be done to create a sustainable rate design framework. Appropriate rate designs that ensure that (1) there are ample resources to meet the state's policy and planning goals, (2) legacy resources still needed on the system remain operational, and (3) cost recovery guarantees are upheld for resources no longer needed on the system, are all critical to meeting California's energy policy goals. Questions such as "Who receives benefit from a particular resource?", "Who should pay for a particular resource?", and "What level of credit is appropriate for a customer who can offset some (though likely not all) of the services provided by central generation?" are becoming increasingly more complicated to answer.

PG&E sees several fundamental challenges with the current path. First, relying almost exclusively on volumetric rates, even if differentiated by time-of-use, is not sustainable, as such designs do not reflect the way the actual cost structure scales. Second, rates should not be designed to serve special interests through regulatory arbitrage, but rather should be designed for all customers. Third, relying on undifferentiated rates to ensure cost recovery and send price signals, while also including incentives to promote specific favored technologies, is overly complex and fundamentally contradicts cost of service rate design principles. In short, rates should be designed to customers that causes rates to differ from cost of service should be independent from the cost-based rates to ensure it is both transparent and measurable.

New Rate Architecture Framework

To address the challenges outlined above, PG&E proposes a future rate architecture that allows unbundled, differentiated rates to enable separation of payment for the grid, customer services, and the actual electrons, while continuing to fund mandated energy policies and ensuring customers pay their fair share of any historic costs PG&E has incurred on their behalf. This rate architecture also incorporates a structure that ensures all customers: (1) pay for the services they receive; (2) are able to access any benefits that should rightfully be allocated to them; (3) have visibility into additional costs or discounts they pay or receive; and (4) cannot arbitrage or bypass certain costs. In sum, to both continue to encourage the current transformation and implement California's clean energy polices, four key issues must be addressed:

• Ensure a safe and reliable electric system through cost recovery and access to financing for electric distribution infrastructure and legacy procurement;

- Offer customers choice through rate options;
- Support and enable new technologies and advance the state's clean energy goals.

To address the four key issues above, PG&E believes the products and services are not differentiated in current rates and considering further differentiation must be considered so that an overarching vision of rate options and pricing structures can be established. The first step is to realign and streamline rate components, which creates consistency of cost and benefit allocation for customer-driven, resilient cost recovery and minimizes, and makes more transparent, any cost shifts or cross-subsidies.

To enable rate design to progress with the changing electric market, PG&E proposes a new rate architecture. This rate architecture is consistent with the CPUC's rate design principles proposed in the Residential Rate Reform proceeding, Rulemaking (R.)12-06-013, and then adopted by the CPUC in D.14-06-029. Objectives of the new rate architecture can be summarized as follows:

- Ensuring transparent and complete cost recovery;
- Making utility services, product lines, and customer segments more understandable to customers; and
- Continuing to enable customer choice.

Separating charges for costs incurred by the utility from compensation to customers for services they provide to the utility is essential to avoid confusing price signals and customer arbitrage.

PG&E's conceptual framework for future rate architecture re bundles rates based on specific utility functions:

- 1. Energy: Generation and supply of the commodity, including capacity and statemandated renewable attributes, are included in this function;
- 2. Services: Meter installation, metering and billing services, customer service, conservation and energy efficiency advice and emergency response are examples of services provided by electric utilities to customers and included in this function;
- 3. Access: Delivery of energy to the customer, including both distribution and transmission level access, and receipt of energy from customer owned generation or storage sources, are both included in this function; and
- 4. Policy: Implementing state policy for socio-economic justice (e.g., California Alternative Rates for Energy (CARE) or Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA)), meeting mandates that are not required for all load serving entities but that benefit all electric customers (e.g., Biomass Renewable Auction Mechanism (BioRAM)), and making payments for explicit subsidies the state sets to support achievement of its goals (e.g., Net Energy Metering (NEM) payments) are examples of the types of programs or transactions included in this function.

In addition to the utility functions listed above, there is a fifth function associated with legacy costs incurred by the utilities for previous policy requirements. While some of these costs may come from a bygone era, they have helped California get to where it is today as one of the clean energy leaders in the world. By considering these costs in their own function category, the state can transition to a future while recognizing previous commitments the utilities made to advance California policy. Accordingly, PG&E refers to this function as Transition.

Within each of these functions are costs that are incurred by customers and, potentially, benefits that are paid to customers for services provided. This rate architecture allows for explicit and transparent tracking of actual costs (fixed and variable) that relate to each function. The framework allows for the clearer tracking and allocation of costs incurred by some customers to provide benefits to the utility, as well as any compensation due to customers for benefits or services they provide to the utility. Critical to the success of the rate architecture is categorizing embedded costs associated with each function and ensuring costs recovered for each function only apply to that function. In application, each function effectively becomes a rate and billing component with some components potentially being offered by third parties and not the incumbent utility. In the event a particular function, such as energy, is offered by a third party, the rate architecture framework allows for an apples-to-apples comparison of the third party's and the incumbent IOU's pricing.

At its core, the rate architecture vision outlined here will provide the structure for the state of California to think through the key questions of "Who is benefiting?," "Who should pay?," and "Who should receive a credit?" in the ever-evolving California energy landscape. PG&E recommends adopting this framework in all rate design and rate reform proposals.

To bring this rate architecture to life, PG&E specifically recommends addressing current rate design challenges within the framework of this rate architecture. These challenges are:

- 1. Rate structure and compensation for Net Energy Metering (NEM);
- 2. High Energy Use tier for residential rates;
- 3. Fixed charges recovered through volumetric rates; and
- 4. Seasonal bill volatility.

Rate structure and compensation for Net Energy Metering (NEM)

The NEM tariff allows customers with on-site generation (primarily rooftop solar photovoltaic (PV) equipment) to receive a full retail rate credit (for generation plus transmission and distribution rates plus public purpose program and other non-by-passable charges) for the energy they send out to the grid to offset the cost of their consumption within the month and within an annual true-up period.² PG&E recommends adopting the rate architecture framework to guide design of future NEM

² The 2016 NEM successor tariff decision, Decision (D.)16-01-044, required customers to pay certain non-bypassable charges on all usage not offset by on-site generation, reducing some of this cross-subsidization.

rates. First, customers should pay full retail rates for all energy and capacity consumed. Second, customers should separately be paid the fair value of the generation they sell back to the utility, based on the utility's avoided energy costs. Third, to the extent applicable and warranted, customers should be paid for the long-term value of any actual avoided grid costs provided by the installation of their system. Lastly, if policy makers choose to continue to incent PV equipment installations beyond the avoided costs savings provided, such compensation should be quantified and separately tracked as a policy cost that is borne by all customers and not by-passable.

High Energy Use tier for residential rates.

Since 2015, PG&E has been implementing a "glide path" trajectory adopted in D. 15-07-001 to get to two tiers with usage for Tier 2 exceeding 100 percent of baseline and declining price ratios between Tiers 1 and 2, reaching a 1.25 to 1 ratio in 2019. PG&E anticipates that, by March 1, 2019, this 1.25 to 1 ratio will be achieved. However, the Commission's decision also introduced, beginning in 2017, a "super user of electricity (SUE) surcharge" (which PG&E has implemented as a "High Usage Surcharge," or "HUS"), that applies to usage above 400 percent of baseline. By March 1, 2109, PG&E anticipates that the ratio between the High Usage Surcharge and Tier 1 rates will be 2.19 to 1. Charging HUS usage more than double Tier 1 usage has no basis in cost, and greatly increases summer bill volatility for customers in hot climate zones. The High User Surcharge should be revisited after implementation of mandatory time-of-use rates, if not sooner.

Fixed charges recovered through volumetric rates.

Finally, PG&E believes a critical step to fair and equitable rates is the implementation of a fixed charge to recover fixed costs that do not vary with usage. Such a charge is permitted by Assembly Bill (AB) 327.³ Work has proceeded on a methodology for developing such a charge in Phase 2 of PG&E's 2017 General Rate Case (GRC) and PG&E, along with the other two large California investor-owned utilities submitted proposals for implementing such a fixed charge in the 2018 Rate Design Window (RDW) Proceeding. These proposals will be heard by the Commission in 2019, in Phase 3 of that proceeding. PG&E supports having a fixed monthly charge in residential rates, consistent with rate design policies adopted by public utility regulators around the country and similar to the fixed monthly charges that have been in all of PG&E's non-residential rates for years, as a more cost-based rate design that will spread costs to customers in a more equitable way based on the fixed costs to serve them.

Seasonal bill volatility

It should be noted that in addition to working with the Commission toward fair and equitable rates, PG&E has proposed changes to the winter and summer season periods in an effort to mitigate bill volatility. Specifically, in PG&E's 2017 GRC Phase 2, PG&E proposed narrowing the summer season from six to four months for electric service, effectively raising the Central Valley baseline quantities for both seasons. This reduces bill volatility by decreasing the revenues collected in the high use summer months and

³ AB 327 was signed into law in 2013.

increasing them in the lower use winter months. The Commission adopted PG&E's proposal in D.18-08-013. Also, in PG&E's recent Gas Cost Allocation Proceeding filing, PG&E recommended shortening the gas winter season from five months to three. This, too, reduces bills during the high use winter gas months while increasing them in the lower use off-peak months when they are much lower. Ultimately, a settlement agreement was reached between The Utility Reform Network, California Public Advocates, and CPUC's Energy Division on this single issue which created a new baseline season structure. The settlement was adopted by the Commission in D. 18-10-040 for implementation on November 1, 2019. December and January are considered Peak Winter Season. November, February, and March are considered Off-Peak Winter Season and Summer remains defined as April through October. These proposals, in part, address concerns outlined in SB 711,⁴ which requires the Commission to review baseline quantities to reduce bill volatility. Additional proposals made by PG&E in its 2018 GCAP to reduce residential gas bill volatility (phasing in a reduction in the bundled tier rate ratio over four years and phasing in a higher minimum monthly transportation charge that would reduce volumetric rates) are pending Commission decision, which is expected by spring 2019 for implementation by late spring or early summer.

PG&E believes that residential rate design and NEM reforms can have a beneficial near-term impact on its cost of delivering safe and reliable gas and electric services to its customers, as well as more fairly charging customers rates which better reflect PG&E's cost to serve them.

2. PG&E's Overall Rate Policies

PG&E strives to provide its customers with reasonable rates for gas and electric service. When proposing rates, PG&E considers cost-based pricing, equity within and among customer classes, simple and understandable rates, and public policy objectives. PG&E's rate policy focuses on providing customers with reasonable rates by minimizing the number of rate changes per year and smoothing the impact of revenue and rate changes for its customers.

PG&E understands that its customers value transparency and stability in the rates they pay for energy. Therefore, PG&E limits the number of rate adjustments made throughout the year. Generally, PG&E attempts to limit requests for electric rate changes to two or three times per calendar year (January and March, and occasionally a change later in the year). For gas rate changes, as required by prior Commission decisions, PG&E files monthly changes to the gas commodity rate and seeks an annual rate change to reflect changes in gas transportation and Public Purpose Program costs.

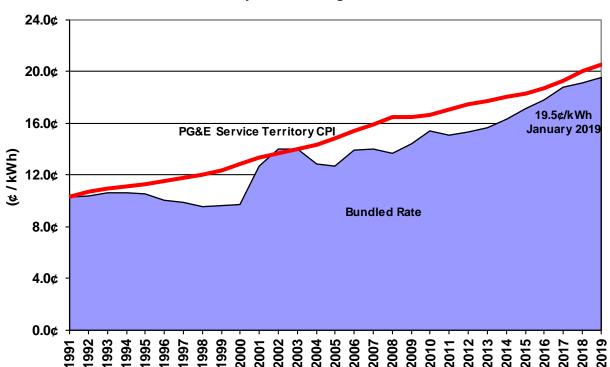
The Commission and PG&E should work collaboratively to manage the timing of revenue changes to smooth the impact on gas and electric customers by offsetting approved increases in revenues with offsetting decreases in revenues. An example is PG&E's request to delay its January 1, 2018 Annual Electric True-up (AET) given the delay in the 2018 Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) Forecast decision.

⁴ SB 711 was approved by then-Governor Brown on October 3, 2017.

Normally PG&E implements AET related rate changes on January 1, and these rates include the changes dictated by the annual ERRA decision. However, the ERRA final decision was delayed until January 2018. PG&E recognized that the remainder of the AET revenue changes would result in a rate decrease while the revenue request and load forecast updates in the ERRA would result in a rate increase. Therefore PG&E requested the delay solely to reduce rate volatility and merged the AET rate change with the March 1 rate changes, which include revenue changes for transmission services approved via the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and further implementation of the "glide path" trajectory adopted in D. 15-07-001.

As illustrated in Figure 1 below, PG&E's system average bundled electric rate over the last 27 years has increased at a lower rate than the service territory's consumer price index (CPI) growth.

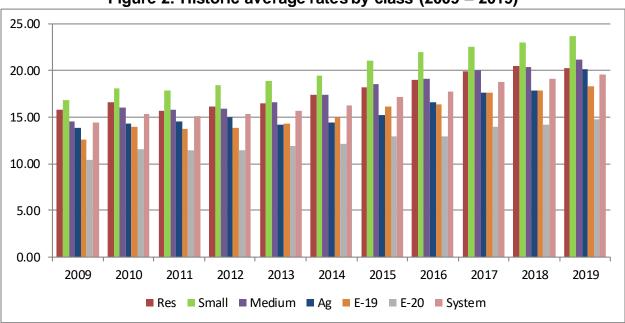
Figure 1: Historic Service Territory CPI⁵ vs. System Average Bundled Electric Rate



System Average Bundled Electric Rate

⁵ CPI provided by Economy.com

Figure 2 below shows a breakdown of the system average rate by customer class for the 2009-2019 period. Each class shows the same upward trend as the system average rate over this period, with the residential and small and medium business customers generally having higher average rates than the system average and the large industrial and agricultural customers generally having lower average rates.





3. Management of Rate Components

PG&E is committed to controlling costs and managing rates while providing safe and reliable gas and electric service to its customers. However, many factors that affect customer rates are outside of PG&E's control. The factors include – but are not limited to - market prices of natural gas and electricity, retail sales volumes, weather (including the impacts on hydroelectric operations), interest rates, and the cost of implementing regulatory mandates. Nonetheless, PG&E diligently seeks to manage its costs across all categories to make efficient and effective use of revenues collected from customers.

PG&E continues to explore ways to reduce overall costs and in its 2019 Gas Transmission and Storage (GT&S) rate case made a number of key proposals to reduce costs. Reflected in the GT&S forecasts is a 2017 Gas Operations "Gas Stewardship" initiative, which is a multi-year effort to improve affordability without affecting risk-informed work priorities. Another cost-saving proposal set forth in the 2019 GT&S rate case is the Natural Gas Storage Strategy (NGSS) proposal. PG&E's NGSS proposal was initiated in response to lower natural gas prices and increasing costs to comply with new safety and environmental regulations that the California Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources is expected to finalize in 2018. If

adopted, PG&E estimates that NGSS will save customers hundreds of millions of dollars in the long-term by changing PG&E's storage asset holdings, system operations and storage services.

In its 2020 GRC filing, PG&E provided testimony on its efforts to control costs through its Customer Affordability Program. While the filing acknowledges that there is significant upward pressure on rates associated with increased investment related to the Community Wildfire Safety Program and increasing insurance costs, we are taking steps to reduce other costs that will not impact the safety of our system.

Aside from these major rate cases, certain components of gas and electric rates are largely beyond the direct control of utilities, and instead result from market forces, as well as policy or regulatory mandates (many of which PG&E and the CPUC supported). Among the requirements creating further cost pressures on PG&E's electric and gas rates are the Renewables Portfolio Standards (RPS) program and GHG emissions restrictions resulting from AB 32.⁶

These legislative and regulatory mandates and policies seek to achieve worthy overall goals. However, to the extent they raise electric and gas rates or restrict the ability of utilities to manage or mitigate costs, the Legislature and Commission should then periodically review these mandates and policies to ensure they appropriately balance the social or customer benefits with the overall cost to customers.

4. PG&E's Policies and Recommendations for Limiting Costs and Rate Increases While Meeting the State's Energy and Environment Goals for Reducing Greenhouse Gases

PG&E and the Commission have endorsed rate policies based on cost of service. Such policies encourage efficient decision making by customers. At times, departing from cost-based rates can be appropriate in order to accomplish other public policy objectives. Such objectives may include energy efficiency, benefits to low-income customers, mitigation of rate changes from year to year, promotion of renewable generation, GHG emissions reductions, and encouragement of innovation and developing technologies.

However, each departure from cost-based rates needs to be carefully evaluated to determine whether the rate increases are reasonable in light of the overall benefits to society and the impact on non-benefiting customers. Moreover, as described in Section 1, any cost-shifts or cross-subsidies should be transparent and should generally be borne by all customers on a non-bypassable basis.

5. Revenue Requirements effective January 1, 2019

A description of PG&E's authorized electric and gas revenue requirement categories and the percent contribution to the total 2019 revenue requirement is provided

⁶ AB 32 was approved by then-Governor Brown on September 27, 2006.

separately. The key categories of revenue requirements are based on PG&E's major rate components.

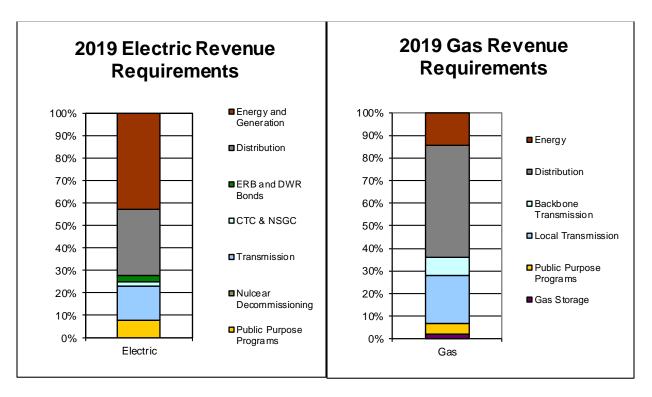


Figure 3: 2019 Revenue Requirement Categories

a. Electric revenue requirements are grouped into the following major rate categories: (1) Energy and Generation, (2) Distribution, (3) Energy Recovery Bonds and Department of Water Resources bonds, (4) Competition Transition Charge and New System Generation Charge, (5) Transmission, (6) Nuclear Decommissioning, and (7) Public Purpose Programs. Below is a description of each electric revenue requirement category:

1) Energy and Generation contribute approximately 43 percent to the total authorized electric revenue requirement in 2019. Through the Generation rate component, PG&E recovers the costs of its generation portfolio which include the cost of PG&E's utility-owned generation (UOG) consisting of the fuel, base Operations and Maintenance (O&M) and capital-related revenue requirements associated with its nuclear, solar, gas, and hydro plants. Energy costs also include amounts related to long-term power contracts entered into by the DWR on behalf of the state's IOUs. In addition, PG&E recovers all of its purchased power costs required to meet its load. The purchased power costs include the costs of Qualifying Facilities, and all other bilateral contracts that PG&E has entered into when the company was authorized to resume the power procurement function and make purchases and sales through the wholesale markets. The impact of renewable contracts entered into to meet the RPS and GHG costs are also reflected in generation rates.

- 2) Distribution contributes approximately 30 percent to the total authorized revenue requirement in 2019. The electric distribution revenue requirement includes the base distribution O&M costs and capital-related revenue requirement, California Solar Initiative, Demand Response, return of proceeds resulting from the capand-trade market, and other programs.⁷
- 3) Energy Recovery Bond (ERB) and Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bond contribute approximately 3 percent to the total authorized revenue requirement in 2019. The ERB is now used to return amounts to customers resulting from settlement agreements with sellers of energy to resolve energy claims related to the Western Energy Crisis of 2000-2001. DWR Bond is a charge that pays for bonds issued by DWR to cover the cost of purchased power during the energy crisis.
- 4) Competition Transition Charge (CTC) and New System Generation Charge (NSGC) contribute approximately 2 percent to the total authorized revenue requirement in 2019. CTC recovers uneconomic (above market) costs resulting from California's electric industry restructuring pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 367(a). Specifically, costs associated with power purchase contract obligations that were in rates prior to December 20, 1995 continue to be recoverable from non-exempt departing load for the duration of the contract. NSGC recovers the net capacity cost and allocates the resource adequacy benefits associated with resources the Commission has determined provide system and/or local reliability benefits to load serving entities in the IOU's service territory. In addition, net capacity costs associated with new generation authorized under the Qualifying Facility and Combined Heat and Power Settlement are also recovered via the Cost Allocation Mechanism.
- 5) Electric Transmission contributes 15 percent to the total authorized revenue requirement in 2019. Transmission revenue requirements include the following:
 - Base Transmission which recovers the O&M and capital-related revenue requirement associated with transmission assets under ISO operational control and subject to FERC's jurisdiction;
 - Transmission Revenue Balancing Account Adjustment (TRBAA) is a FERC mechanism that ensures revenues received by PG&E from the ISO are credited to transmission rates for both retail and wholesale customers taking service from PG&E.

⁷ The CARE discount shifts revenue requirements from the distribution rate component to the Public Purpose Program rate component.

- Reliability Services Balancing Account (RSBA) is a FERC mechanism that ensures participating transmission owners properly recover from customers reliability services costs assessed by the ISO.
- End-Use Customer Refund Account (ECRBA) is a FERC mechanism that ensures that End-User customers receive accurate and timely refunds based on the difference between the as-filed and as-settled Transmission Owner Revenue Requirements.
- The Transmission Access Charge Balancing Account Adjustment (TACBAA) is a mechanism that ensures the difference between the costs billed to PG&E as a load-serving entity and the revenues paid to PG&E as a Participating Transmission Owner under the California Independent System Operator Corporation Tariff is recovered from or returned to PG&E's end-use customers.
- 6) Nuclear Decommissioning contributes less than 1 percent to PG&E's total authorized revenue requirement in 2019. Nuclear Decommissioning pays for the decommissioning/retirement of nuclear power plants.
- 7) Public Purpose Programs (PPP) contribute 8 percent to PG&E's total authorized revenue requirement in 2019. These revenue requirements include funding for Energy Efficiency programs, Electric Program Investment Charge, Statewide Marketing Education and Outreach, and the CARE discount.

b. Natural gas revenue requirements are grouped into the following major categories: (1) Energy, (2) Distribution, (3) Backbone Transmission, (4) Local Transmission, (5) PPP, and (6) Storage⁸. Below is a description of each gas revenue requirement category:

- 1) Energy contributes about 14 percent to the total gas revenue requirement in 2019. These revenue requirements include:
 - Gas supply portfolio costs
 - Interstate capacity costs
 - Gas hedging
- Distribution contributes about 50 percent to the total authorized gas revenue requirement in 2019. It includes the base distribution O&M costs and capitalrelated revenue requirements.⁹

⁸ The Distribution, Backbone Transmission and Local Transmission and Storage comprise the transportation rate component.

⁹ The Gas Distribution revenue requirement reflects the CARE discount that is recovered through the CARE surcharge in the PPP rate component. Correspondingly, PPP revenue requirement reflects CARE discount revenue.

- 3) Backbone Transmission contributes approximately 8 percent to the total gas revenue requirement in 2019 and includes intrastate capacity costs. The Backbone Transmission System includes Lines 2, 300, 400 and 401, is used to transport gas from PG&E's interconnection with interstate pipelines, other local distribution companies, and California gas fields to PG&E's local transmission and distribution system.
- 4) Local Transmission contributes approximately 21 percent to the total authorized gas revenue requirement in 2019. Local Transmission includes the pipelines used to accept gas from the backbone transmission system and transport it to the distribution system. Local transmission costs are included in end-use customer gas rates.
- 5) Storage contributes about 2 percent to the total authorized gas revenue requirement in 2019. It includes core customer gas storage, carrying cost of working gas in storage for core customers, and unbundled storage.
- 6) Public Purpose Programs contribute about 5 percent to the total authorized gas revenue requirement in 2019. The revenue requirements include the CARE discount collected from Non-CARE customers, Energy Efficiency program costs and the Natural Gas Greenhouse Gas Costs and Credit.

6. Description of Gas and Electric Rate Components

The revenue requirements discussed in the previous section directly align with PG&E's rate components. Generally, rate components are derived by dividing revenue requirements by sales. Therefore, changes in both revenue requirements and sales impact rates for gas and electric service. Rate pressures created by increasing revenue requirements are moderated when sales are also increasing. Adjustments in the allocation of revenue requirements across customer classes and rate tiers also impact the rates paid by individual customers. Table 4 below provides a summary of electric and gas revenue requirements.

RATE COMPONENT	Electric Revenue Requirement \$M	%	Gas Revenue Requirement \$M	%
Energy and Generation	\$5,599	43%	\$668	14%
Competition Transition Charge	225	2%	-	-
Distribution (1)	3,919	30%	2,312	50%
Energy Recovery Bonds and	-,) -	
Department of Water Resource	371	3%	-	-
Bonds				
Gas Transmission / Backbone			359	8%
Electric Transmission	1,971	15%		
Local Transmission (Gas)	-	-	993	21%
Public Purpose Programs (2)	1,044	8%	233	5%
Nuclear Decommissioning	17	1%	-	-
Gas Storage	-	-	86	2%
Total Authorized Revenue Requirement (3)	\$13,146	100%	\$4,651	100%

Table 4: Summary of Revenue Requirements and Percentage of TotalRevenue as of January 1, 2019

(1) Includes 2018 CARE discount of approximately \$475 million for electric.

(2) Includes 2019 CARE discount of approximately \$126 million for gas which is collected in PPP rates.

(3) As of January 1, 2019. Values are approximated to the nearest million.

7. Sales Forecasts and Recorded Sales

Customer sales volatility over time directly impacts rates for gas and electric customers. PG&E updates sales forecasts for its service territory on a regular basis. The updated sales forecasts are typically filed in conjunction with rate change filings with the Commission. In the past, aggregate customer sales typically increased at a pace which partly offset annual increases to the revenue requirement. However, starting with the recession in 2009, and then continuing with the increases in distributed generation, and savings from energy efficiency, PG&E has had flat or declining electric sales. This results in fixed costs having to be spread across lower sales resulting in higher rates for most customers. Below are PG&E's recorded 2018 sales and forecast 2019 sales:

Table 5: PG&E's 2018 Historical Sales and 2019 Forecasted Sales

Energy Load (GWh)	2018 Historical Sales ¹	2019 Forecasted Sales ²
Total Retail Sales ³	79,728	80,951
Bundled	49,178	38,391
Direct Access	9,561	9,631
Community Choice Aggregation	20,989	32,929

1) 2018 Recorded: PG&E recorded sales data.

2) 2019 Forecast: PG&E's 2019 ERRA Forecast A.18-06-001, Table 2-3 (November Update).

3) Retail Sales excludes BART energy requirements.

Appendix: Schedule of PG&E's Filings That May Affect Rates in 2019 and Beyond

See the table below for a listing of PG&E's pending proceedings affecting PG&E's 2019 and 2020 revenue requirements and new proceedings expected to be filed between now and April 30, 2020. This is not an exhaustive list of PG&E's filings; rather it incorporates planned regulatory filings which are known at this time and are expected to have a rate impact for PG&E's electric and/or gas customers. Actual filing dates, amounts of requests, and actual revenue requirements authorized or settled are subject to change through the normal regulatory approval processes of the CPUC and other regulatory agencies.

Line		Proceeding		Requested/ Expected		ested Ar 5 million			Affected	Affected
No.	Filing Name	Reference	Filing Date	Implementation Date	Total Cost	2019 RRQ	2020 RRQ	Description	Rate	Rate Component
	<u>Q3 2016</u>									
1	Transmission Owner 18	FERC Docket No. ER16-2320- 000	July 29, 2016	3/1/2017	1,718	N/A	N/A	Annual filing to recover transmission costs.	Electric	Transmission
	<u>Q3 2017</u>									
2	Transmission Owner 19	FERC Docket No. ER17-2154- 000	July 26, 2017	3/1/2018	1,792	1,792	N/A	Annual filing to recover transmission costs.	Electric	Transmission
	<u>Q4 2017</u>									
3	2019 Gas Transmission & Storage Rate Case (2019-2020)	A.17-11-009	November 17, 2017	1/1/2019		N/A	1,590	The GT&S rate case sets the rates, terms and conditions of service for PG&E's gas transmission (backbone and local transmission) and storage business.	Gas	Backbone Transmission ; Local Transmission ; Storage; Customer Access Charge (CAC)
	<u>Q1 2018</u>									
4	2017 ERRA Compliance Review (incl. DCSSBA and RPS-related consulting	A.18-02-015	February 28, 2018	January 1 st of the year following CPUC Approval		N/A	4.5	Annual proceeding to review the utility-owned generation operations, economic dispatch of electric resources, utility retained generation fuel	Electric	Generation

* Amount is based on adopted funding. The amount to be requested has not been determined. [N/A] – No RRQ or Rate Impact [TBD] – To Be Determined

Line		Proceeding		Requested/ Expected		ested Ar 5 million			Affected	Affected
No.	Filing Name	Reference	Filing Date	Implementation Date	Total Cost	2019 RRQ	2020 RRQ	Description	Rate	Rate Component
	fees)							procurement, and entries to the ERRA and Diablo Canyon Seismic Studies balancing accounts for the 2017 record period.		
5	Petitions to Modify the 2015 GT&S Rate Case Decision and the 2017 GRC Decision	A. 13-12- 012 and A. 15-09-001	March 2018	TBD	(621)	TBD	TBD	Filing to pass along to customers the benefits of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017		Electric Distribution, Gas Distribution, Electric Generation, Gas Transmission and Storage
	<u>Q2 2018</u>									
6	Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA) 2018	A.18-03-015	March 31, 2018	January 1 st of the year following CPUC Approval	963	TBD	481.5	The purpose of the CEMA is to recover incremental costs associated with repair and restoration of damaged PG&E facilities in association with declared disasters and complying with government orders associated with a declared disaster.	Electric	Electric Distribution; Electric Generation;
7	ERRA 2019 Forecast	TBD	June 2018	1/1/2019	2,907	N/A	2,907	An annual application that requests approval of PG&E's forecasted procurement related	Electric	Generation; CTC; NSGC; PCIA

Line		Proceeding		Requested/ Expected		ested Ar §million			Affected	Affected
No.	Filing Name	Reference	Filing Date	Implementation Date	Total Cost	2019 RRQ	2020 RRQ	Description	Rate	Rate Component
								revenue requirement, including Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) and non- bypassable charges – Ongoing Competition Transition Charge (CTC), Power Charge Indifference Amount (PCIA) and Cost Allocation Mechanism (CAM) non-bypassable charges.		
	<u>Q3 2018</u>									
8	Electric Vehicle Pilots	A.18-07-020	July 30, 2018	Q2 2019	15	3.1	3.7	Application to implement two proposed pilot programs:1) to accelerate EV deployment for customers and at sites benefiting schools and parks to meet the goals of Assembly Bills (AB) 1082 and 1083, enacting Public Utilities Code Sections 740.13 and 740.14; and 2) to implement its Low to Moderate Income EV Charger Incentive and Education program, to provide EV chargers for residential customers who	Electric	Electric Distribution

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No.	Filing Name	Reference	Filing Date	Implementation Date	Total Cost	2019 RRQ	2020 RRQ	Description	Rate	Rate Component
								have low to moderate incomes, as well as EV education and outreach in low to moderate income communities		
9	2020 General Rate Case (GRC) Phase 1	A.18-12-009	December 13, 2018	1/1/2020		N/A	9,576	Application to request approval of electric and gas distribution and utility- owned electric generation base revenues for the 2020 test year and the 2021-2022 attrition years.	Electric Gas	Electric Distribution; Electric Generation; Gas Distribution
	<u>Q4 2018</u>									
10	Transmission Owner 20	FERC Docket No. ER19-13- 000	October 1, 2018	3/1/2019		N/A	1,963	Annual filing to recover transmission costs.	Electric	Transmission
11	Energy Efficiency Risk Reward Incentive Advice Letter	D.15-10- 028; AL 4044- G/5430-E	November 20, 2018	1/1/2019	TBD	N/A	12.9	Annual filing to request Energy Efficiency Savings and Performance Incentive	Electric Gas	Electric Customer Energy Efficiency Incentive; Gas PPP
12	Nuclear Decommission ing Cost Triennial Proceeding	A.18-12-008	December 13, 2018	1/1/2020	TBD	N/A	417.9	The purpose of the NDCTP is to recover costs necessary to adequately fund the nuclear decommissioning trust	Electric	Nuclear Decommissio n

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No.	Filing Name	Reference	Filing Date	Implementation Date	Total Cost	2019 RRQ	2020 RRQ	Description	Rate	Rate Component
	(NDCTP)							funds for Diablo Canyon and Humboldt Bay Power Plant Unit 3 as well as to fund ongoing O&M costs associated with maintaining the current operational license of Humboldt Bay Power Plant Unit 3. PG&E will request a revenue requirement to fund these activities for the period 2020 through 2022.		
	<u>Q2 2019</u>									
13	CPIM 2018 Annual Report (Yr. 24)	TBD	Q2 2019	Upon CPUC Approval	TBD	TBD	TBD	Compliance report for gas core procurement incentive mechanism for November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2018.	Gas	Procurement
14	ERRA 2020 Forecast	TBD	June 2019	1/1/2020	TBD	N/A	TBD	An annual application that requests approval of PG&E's forecasted procurement related revenue requirement, including Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) and non-bypassable charges – Ongoing Competition Transition Charges (CTC), Power	Electric	Generation, CTC, NSGC, PCIA

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No.	Filing Name	Reference	Filing Date	Implementation Date	Total Cost	2019 RRQ	2020 RRQ	Description	Rate	Rate Component
								Charge Indifference Amount (PCIA), and Cost Allocation Mechanism (CAM).		
	<u>Q3 2019</u>									
15	Transmission Owner 21	FERC Docket No. TBD	July 2019	3/1/2020	TBD	N/A	TBD	Annual filing to recover transmission costs.	Electric	Transmission
	<u>Q4 2019</u>									
16	2020 FERC Rate Filing for Annual Updates to the Transmission Balancing Accounts	FERC Docket No. TBD	October 2019	1/1/2020		N/A	TBD	PG&E annually files with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) requesting a transmission rate change for its retail electric customers, in compliance with Resolution E-3930. The purpose of PG&E's FERC filing is to request the annual update to the Transmission Revenue Balancing Account Adjustment, the Reliability Services rates and the End-Use Customer Refund Balancing Account Adjustment, for an effective date on or after January 1 of each year.	Electric	Transmission

Line		Proceeding	Proceeding	Requested/ Expected		ested Ar §million			Affected	Affected
No.	Filing Name	Reference	Filing Date	Implementation Date	Total Cost	2019 RRQ	2020 RRQ	Description	Rate	Rate Component
								Similarly, the transmission access charge balancing account is filed in December for an effective date of March 1 of the following year		
17	2020 Public Purpose Programs Surcharge Rate Advice Letter	TBD	October 2019	1/1/2020		N/A	TBD	Annual filing consolidating approved gas public purpose programs, gas research and demonstration, and Board of Equalization administrative funding.	Gas	PPP
18	2020 Annual Gas True-Up (AGT) Advice Letter (Tier 2 Preview) and 2020 AGT Advice Letter (Tier 1 Final)	TBD	November 2019 and December 2019	1/1/2020		N/A	TBD	Annual filing consolidating gas transportation rate changes authorized by the CPUC and true-up of balancing account balances. This filing is supplemented in December.	Gas	Distribution; Backbone Transmission ; Local Transmission ; Gas Storage; CAC; PPP Surcharge
19	2020 AET Advice Letter and Supplemental Advice Letter filing	TBD	September 2019 and December 2019	1/1/2020		N/A	TBD	Annual filing to adjust for balancing account over/under collections, and consolidation of electric revenue requirements adopted by the CPUC. This filing is supplemental in December.	Electric	CTC; Distribution; DWR; ECRA; Generation; NSGC; ND; PPP; PCIA; Transmission

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No.	Filing Name	Reference	Filing Date	Implementation Date	Total Cost	2019 RRQ	2020 RRQ	Description	Rate	Rate Component
20	Transmission Access Charge Balancing Account Adjustment (TACBAA)	FERC Docket No. TBD	December 2019	3/1/2020		N/A	TBD	The TACBAA is a ratemaking mechanism designed to ensure that the difference in the amount of costs billed to PG&E as a load-serving entity and the revenues paid to PG&E as a Participating Transmission Owner under the California Independent System Operator Corporation Tariff is recovered from or returned to PG&E's End- Use customers.	Electric	Transmission