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Jadwindar Singh Manager, Distribution Compliance Pacific Gas and Electric Company 245 Market St, #926 San Francisco, CA 94105

SUBJECT: Audit of PG&E's Stockton Division

Dear Mr. Singh:

On behalf of the Electric Safety and Reliability Branch (ESRB) of the California Public Utilities Commission, Ivan Garcia, and Raymond Cho of my staff conducted an electric audit of PG&E's Stockton Division from July 22-26, 2013. The audit included a review of PG&E's records and field inspections of PG&E's facilities.

During the audit, we identified violations of one or more General Orders. A copy of the audit summary itemizing the violations is enclosed. Please advise me no later than November 15, 2013 by electronic or hard copy, of all corrective measures taken by PG&E to remedy and prevent such violations.

If you have any questions concerning this audit please contact Ivan Garcia at (916) 928-5875 or ivan.garcia@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Raymond Fugere, P.E. Program and Project Supervisor Electric Safety and Reliability Branch

Safety and Enforcement Division

Enclosure: Audit Summary

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AUDIT SUMMARY

Company: PG&E -Stockton Division

Electric Audit

Date: July 22 to July 26, 2013

Violations

A.	Location:	PG&E –Stockton Division
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/22/2013-7/26/2013

Explanation of Violation(s):

GO 165, Section III-B, – Standards for Inspection, states:

"Each utility subject to this General Order shall conduct inspections of its distribution facilities, as necessary, to ensure reliable, high quality, and safe operation, but in no case may the period between inspections (measured in years) exceed the time specified in Table 1."

A pre-audit data request response indicated that the following facilities in 2009 were not patrolled as required by GO 165:

- 6 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map H22
- 82 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map H23
- 41 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map I219
- 96 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map I221
- 425 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map I222
- 331 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map I223
- 187 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map I224
- 105 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map I22402
- 37 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map I22403
- 32 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map I22407
- 10 facilities on the 2009 Overhead Patrol of Map I22408

The pre-audit data response Q8b indicated that the following number of maps had issues and didn't meet the requirements of GO 165.

- 25 overhead maps were noted.
- 90 underground maps were noted.

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We found several missing and/or late patrol and inspection maps to PG&E's Overhead and Underground Master Patrols and Inspections (P&I) List. The following GO 165 violations are listed in the tables below.

Overhead Patrols		
Мар	Finding	
P21805	Missing 2011 Patrol	
S1016	Missing 2010 Patrol	
S22	Missing 2011 Patrol	
U0809	Missing 2010 Patrol	
U0810	Missing 2010 Patrol	
U2505	Missing 2011 Patrol	
V1123	Missing 2009 Patrol	
V1223	Missing 2009 Patrol	
V1225	Missing 2009 Patrol	
V28	Missing 2010 Patrol	
Y1423	Missing 2007 Patrol	
Q1320	Missing 2007 Patrol	

Overhead Inspections	
Мар	Finding
P21011	Missing 2010 Inspection
R1915	Missing/Late 2012 Inspection
R2011	Missing/Late 2012 Inspection
S1204	Missing 2008 Inspection
U0804	Missing 2009 Inspection
Q1320	Missing 2007 Patrol

Underground Patrols		
Мар	Finding	
A2	Missing 2009 Patrol	
E4	Missing 2009 Patrol	
G2	Missing 2009 Patrol	
G3	Missing 2009/2010 Patrol	
G4	Missing 2009/2010 Patrol	
H3	Missing 2009/2010 Patrol	
12	Missing 2009 Patrol	
J227	Missing 2011 Patrol	
K220	Missing 2011 Patrol	
S1114	Missing 2010 Patrol	
U0804	Missing 2008 Patrol	
U2520	Missing 2011 Patrol	
V1123	Missing 2009 Patrol	
V1321	Missing 2010 Patrol	
V2711	Missing 2010 Patrol	
Y02	Missing 2011 Patrol	
Y04	Missing 2011 Patrol	
Y1323	Missing 2010 Patrol	
Z0701	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0702	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0703	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0704	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0705	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0706	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0707	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0708	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0709	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0710	Missing 2008 Patrol	
Z0806	Missing 2011 Patrol	
S0824	Missing 2008 Patrol	
C02	Missing 2010 Patrol	
Q21	Missing 2008 Patrol	
R1122	Missing 2008 Patrol	

Underground Inspections	
Мар	Finding
AA0609	Missing 2008 Inspection
D2	Missing 2008 Inspection
D3	Missing 2008 Inspection
E3	Missing 2008 Inspection
F1	Missing 2008 Inspection
F2	Missing 2008 Inspection
F3	Missing 2008 Inspection
F4	Missing 2008 Inspection
F5	Missing 2008 Inspection
F6	Missing 2008 Inspection
G1	Missing 2008 Inspection
G3	Late 2010 Inspection
G4	Late 2010 Inspection
G6	Missing 2008 Inspection
H1	Missing 2008 Inspection
H2	Missing 2008 Inspection
H4	Missing 2008 Inspection
H5	Missing 2008 Inspection
H6	Missing 2008 Inspection
13	Missing 2008 Inspection
J337	Late/Missing 2006 Inspection
L1	Missing 2008 Inspection
P31520	Late/Missing 2007 Inspection
S1024	Missing 2009 Inspection
S1025	Missing 2009 Inspection
T12	Missing 2011 Inspection
U14	Missing 2008 Inspection
Y1113	Missing 2009 Inspection
Y1220	Late 2008 Inspection
Y1224	Missing/Late 2006 Inspection
Y1225	Missing/Late 2006 Inspection
Y1305	Missing/Late 2008 Inspection
Z0714	Missing/Late 2006 Inspection
Z0806	Missing/Late 2008 Inspection
Z1507	Missing/Late 2008 Inspection

C.	Location:	PG&E – Stockton Division
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/22/2013-7/26/2013

GO 165, Section III-C, - Record Keeping, states in part:

"For all inspections records shall specify the circuit, area, facility or equipment inspected, the inspector, the date of the inspection, and any problems (or items requiring corrective action) identified during each inspection, as well as the scheduled date of corrective action."

12,021 work orders, from January 2008 to July 17, 2013, were completed past their scheduled date of corrective action. Furthermore, 798 work orders are currently open past their scheduled date of corrective action.

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PG&E does not document all items requiring corrective action during an inspection. Specifically, PG&E staff does not document minor work. PG&E staff only marks a tally mark indicating minor work, and does not specify the equipment identified for corrective action in the tally marks.

E.	Location:	PG&E – Stockton Division
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GO 95, Rule 31.1, - Design, Construction and Maintenance, states in part:

"For all particulars not specified in these rules, design, construction, and maintenance should be done in accordance with accepted good practice for the given local conditions known at the time by those responsible for the design, construction, or maintenance of communication or supply lines and equipment."

PG&E UO Standard S2303 describes equipment testing intervals for capacitor banks, SCADA equipment, and reclosers. This equipment must be tested on a yearly interval. The following equipment whre tested late according to PG&E UO Standard S2303 and thus in violation of GO 95, Rule 31.1.

- Capacitor Bank, C1222 was missing a 2011 equipment test
- SCADA equipment, R123 was missing a 2011 equipment test
- Capacitor Bank, C1391 was missing a 2012 equipment test
- Capacitor Bank, C1393 was missing a 2012 equipment test
- SCADA equipment, 82644 was missing a 2012 equipment test
- Recloser, 6122 was missing a 2012 equipment test

The following are violations that SED engineers discovered during the field audit and were not documented and addressed by PG&E during its last detailed inspection as required by General Order 165:

F.	Location:	1774 Huerto Place, Manteca
	Transformer No.:	T16410
		Underground Patrol Map Y1317 Completed 5/17/13
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/24/13

Explanation of Violation(s):

<u>Underground Vault Enclosure Mislabeled</u>

GO 128, Rule 17.8, Identification of Manholes, Handholes, Subsurface and Self-contained Surface-mounted Equipment Enclosures, states:

"Manholes, handholes, subsurface and self-contained surfacemounted equipment enclosures shall be marked as to ownership to facilitate identification by persons authorized to work therein and by other persons performing work in their vicinity."

At this location, PG&E had the incorrect transformer identification number labeled on the underground vault enclosure. The number "T16410" was found on the field and the number "T16416" was what PG&E identified the transformer on the map Y1317.

G.	Location:	7894 Zilli Dr., Tracy
	Equipment No:	T16445
		Underground Inspection Map AA0720 Completed 3/8/2013
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/24/2013

Padmount Transformer Not Inspected

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At this location, PG&E Padmount Transformer T16445 was not found on the Underground Inspection Map AA0720 and was not inspected during the underground inspection on 3/8/2013.

Н.	Location:	3rd pole north corner of State Route 120 and Austin Rd., Manteca
	Pole No:	#1217967
		Overhead Inspection Map Y1308 Completed 3/4/2013
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/25/2013

Exposed Ground Wire

GO95, Rule 54.6B, Ground Wires, states in part:

"Ground Wires of supply circuits must be protected by suitable covering and be in good repair throughout their length."

At this location, the ground wire was exposed at approximately 3 ft. from the base of the pole.

I.	Location:	17785 Austin Rd., Manteca
	Pole No:	N/A
		Overhead Inspection Map Y1308 Completed 3/4/2013
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/25/2013

Exposed Ground Wire

GO95, Rule 54.6B, Ground Wires, states in part:

"Ground Wires of supply circuits must be protected by suitable covering and be in good repair throughout their length."

At this location, the ground wire was exposed at approximately 20 ft. from the base of the pole.

J.	Location:	136 N. Acacia Ave., Ripon
	Pole No:	N/A
		Overhead Inspection Map Z1420 Completed 3/11/2013
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/25/2013
	Explanation of Violation(s):	

Exposed Ground Wire

GO95, Rule 54.6B, Ground Wires, states in part:

"Ground Wires of supply circuits must be protected by suitable covering and be in good repair throughout their length."

At this location, the ground wire was exposed at the base of the pole.

High Voltage Sign Broken

GO95, Rule 51.6A, High Voltage Marking of Poles, states in part:

"Poles which support line conductors of more than 750 volts shall be marked with high voltage signs. This marking shall consist of a single sign showing the words "HIGH VOLTAGE", not more than six (6) inches in height with letters not less than 3 inches in height."."

At this pole, the "Voltage" part of the sign was broken.

K.	Location:	323 Pine St, Ripon
	Pole No:	N/A
	_	Overhead Inspection Map Z1420 Completed 3/11/2013
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/25/2013
	Explanation of Violation(s):	

Exposed Ground Wire

GO95, Rule 54.6B, Ground Wires, states in part:

"Ground Wires of supply circuits must be protected by suitable covering and be in good repair throughout their length."

At thispole, the ground wire was exposed at two locations. One location at approximately 15 inches from the base of the pole. The second location was at approximately 7 feet from the base of the pole.

L.	Location:	22808 S. Highland Ave., Ripon
	Pole No:	N/A
	1	EC Notification 106853901 Completed 6/19/2013
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/25/2013

Exposed Ground Wire

GO95, Rule 54.6B, Ground Wires, states in part:

"Ground Wires of supply circuits must be protected by suitable covering and be in good repair throughout their length."

At this location, the ground wire was exposed at approximately 2 ft. from the base of the pole.

M.	Location:	14856 W. Grant Line, Tracy
	Pole No:	N/A
		Overhead Inspection Map Z05 Completed 2/22/2013
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/25/2013

Primary Conductor Guy Grounded By Tree Branch

GO 95, Rule 56.6, Requirements for Sectionalizing With Insulators, states:

All portions of guys within both a vertical distance of 8 feet from the level of supply conductors of less than 35,500 volts and a radial distance of 6 feet from the surface of wood poles or structures shall not be grounded, through anchors or otherwise. Where necessary to avoid the grounding of such portions, guys shall be sectionalized by means of insulators installed at locations as specified in Rule 56.7.

At this pole, the tree branch was in contact with the down guy above the insulator bob.

N.	Location:	6 th pole across 15550 W. Grant Line Road, Tracy
	Pole No:	N/A
	_	Overhead Inspection Map Z05 Completed 2/22/2013
	Date Visited by CPUC:	7/25/2013
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At this pole, the words "HIGH VOLTAGE" were missing on one side of the crossarm.