

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

TO: All Interested Parties

Pursuant to the California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) General Order 131-D, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has filed an application with the CPUC for a Permit to Construct the PG&E Windsor Substation Project (Application No. A.10-04-024).

Project Background: PG&E is proposing to construct the Windsor Substation Project to improve transmission system reliability for customers in Sonoma County, California. The project consists of constructing a new distribution substation at 10789 Old Redwood Highway, within the northern limits of the Town of Windsor, and installing and upgrading distribution and related facilities. The Project is needed to meet projected electric demand in the Fulton-Fitch Mountain Distribution Planning Area. As proposed by PG&E, the project includes:

- Constructing a new three-bank 115/12 kV distribution substation (initially energized at 60 kV) on 2.6 acres of a 4.1 acre property in the Town of Windsor, California;
- Connecting the new substation to the existing nearby Fulton No. 1 60 kV transmission line (via a 270-foot 60 kV power line loop);
- Installing underground distribution line vaults and conduits for current and future use;
- Installing 3 underground 12 kV circuits initially, with up to 9 additional circuits to be installed in the future as needed;
- Installing 700 feet (0.1 mile) of new underground distribution line;
- Rebuilding approximately 7,900 feet (1.5 miles) of the existing Fulton No. 1 60 kV Power Line to hold a new double-circuit 12kV distribution line underneath existing higher voltage lines (underbuild); and
- Replacing conductors (reconductoring) on approximately 9,420 feet (1.8 miles) of existing overhead and underground single-circuit distribution line with 12 kV double-circuit conductor along Old Redwood Highway

Depending on CPUC approval, construction is planned to start in February 2014 with an in-service date of May 2015.

Information Available: The CPUC Energy Division has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration and supporting Initial Study (IS/MND) describing the project and its potential environmental effects. Based on this document, it has been determined that the proposed project, as modified, will not have any significant effects on the environment. The CPUC's environmental document may be reviewed at the following locations:

CPUC Energy Division
505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102

Windsor Regional Library
9291 Old Redwood Highway, Building 100
Windsor, CA 95492

For electronic access to the MND and other project information/reports, please visit the CPUC's website at:

<http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/Environment/info/aspn/windsorsub/windsorsub.htm>

Time for Review: This IS/MND will undergo a public review period from July 15 through August 14, 2013. Comments must be received in writing by 5:00 p.m. on August 14, 2013, at the following address:

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San Francisco, CA 94104-3002

You may fax your comments to (707) 657-0316 or e-mail them to: windsorsubstation@aspeneq.com.