Appendix

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study

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 power lines and associated substation modifications known as the Paradise Area Reinforcement Project (A.00-01-026).

To respond to growth in electrical service demand and maintain system reliability, PG&E proposes to upgrade their existing 60kV power line and associated substation that serves the Town of Paradise and the surrounding communities to a 115kV power line and 115kV transformer at the existing substation site. The primary components of the project include a new double-circuit 115kV power line, approximately 6.1 miles long, that would extend between the existing Table Mountain-Butte #3 115kV line (southwest of the Town of Paradise) and the Paradise Substation (approximately 500 feet north of Elliot Road) primarily along existing utility right-of-way (ROW) corridors or road ROWs and a new 115kV transformer and related operating equipment at the existing Paradise Substation to replace the 60kV equipment.

Construction is anticipated to commence in February 2001.

Document Available for Review

The Commission has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study 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 Commission's environmental document and related documents prepared by the Applicant may be reviewed at the following locations:

> California Public Utilities Commission Attn: Central Files 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102 (415) 703-2045

Butte County Library, Paradise Branch Attn: Reference Librarian 5922 Clark Road Paradise, CA 95969 (530) 872-6319

For electronic access to the Mitigated Negative Declaration and other project information or copies of reports, check CPUC's web site at: http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/divisions/energy/environmental/info/aspen/paradise/paradise.htm. You may also leave a message on the project hotline at (530) 231-2888, or e-mail us at Paradise@aspeneg.com.

Time for Review

This Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study will undergo a public review period from May 23, 2000, to June 23, 2000. Comments must be received in writing by 5:00 p.m. on June 23, 2000, at the following address:

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