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Alice Stebbins  
Executive Director  
California Public Utilities Commission  
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Re: Implementation of the Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account for the 2018 Camp Fire

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 AC), PG&E hereby provides notice that PG&E is recording costs associated with the repair of facilities and restoration of service associated with the Camp Fire in the Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA). The restoration costs include the replacement or repair of electric distribution facilities, gas transmission and distribution facilities and hydroelectric power generation facilities as a result of the 2018 Camp Fire in Butte County.

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 this wildfire disaster are preliminary at this time given the scope and magnitude of this event. Initial estimates of the repair and restoration costs associated with the effects on PG&E's facilities are provided in more detail below. It should be noted that this notification letter does not contain estimates of recovery (e.g., rebuild) costs, since those activities cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

### **Camp Fire**

#### 1. Disaster

On November 8, 2018, the Acting Governor of the State of California, Gavin Newsom, issued, as a result of the 2018 Camp Fire, a State of Emergency Proclamation for Butte County, under the California Emergency Services Act and Section 8625 of the California Government Code.

## 2. Effects on PG&E's Facilities

Given the magnitude of this event, PG&E has not been able to assess all locations for damage to its facilities within the timeframe for this notification letter. Therefore these estimates are preliminary.

The 2018 Camp Fire is estimated to have damaged at least the following for the electric distribution, gas transmission and distribution, and power generation lines of business:

- Approximately 5,700 electric distribution facilities,
- Approximately 10,600 gas meters, one gas regulator station, three gas regulators, and
- 7 power generation facilities

Furthermore, this event is estimated to have disrupted service to approximately 25,000 electric customers and over 12,000 gas customers in the affected area.

## 3. Estimated Restoration Costs

As stated above, fire response work is ongoing given the magnitude of this wildfire event; therefore, the restoration estimates provided below are preliminary. It should be noted that the estimated restoration costs provided in this section do not include recovery (e.g., rebuild) costs, which cannot be reasonably forecasted at this time.<sup>1</sup>

- For electric distribution, PG&E estimates it will incur in excess of \$300 million of incremental repair and restoration costs, of which \$150 million is estimated to be capital related and \$150 million is estimated to be expense related.
- For gas transmission and distribution, PG&E estimates it will incur in excess of \$68.1 million of incremental repair and restoration costs, of which \$47.5 million is estimated to be capital related and \$20.6 million is estimated to be expense related.
- For power generation, PG&E estimates it will incur in excess of \$17.4 million of incremental repair and restoration costs, of which \$14.8 million is estimated to be capital related and \$2.6 million is estimated to be expense related.

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<sup>1</sup> Restoration response costs are mainly focused on repairing infrastructure for customers who can receive electric and/or gas service. The lengthier process of recovery response costs, such as rebuild costs, begins later and is mainly focused on re-installing infrastructure to support permanent and temporary service and to replace destroyed infrastructure for community redevelopment.

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If you have any questions about this CEMA notice, please do not hesitate to contact me at (415) 973-2868 or by email at [Meredith.Allen@pge.com](mailto:Meredith.Allen@pge.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Meredith E. Allen". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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