

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**  
**Wildfire Mitigation Plans Discovery 2022**  
**Data Response**

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The following questions relate to the PG&E Independent Monitor Report of November 19, 2021, Kirkland & Ellis LLP, filed on November 23, 2021 (the Monitor's 2021 report),<sup>1</sup> and PG&E's responses to Data Request CalAdvocates-PGE-2022WMP-06, dated January 10 and 14, 2022.

**QUESTION 05**

The Monitor's 2021 report states, "For example, PG&E's recently established Asset Failure Analysis Team causally connected a June 2021 ignition to a broken cross arm."<sup>2</sup>

- a) When was PG&E's Asset Failure Analysis Team established?
- b) Please provide a brief description of the purpose and activities of the Asset Failure Analysis Team.
- c) Please describe what, if any, work product is produced by the Asset Failure Analysis Team (for example, written reports or presentations).
- d) Please describe any changes or improvements to WMP initiatives that have resulted from activities performed by the Asset Failure Analysis Team.
- e) Is the Asset Failure Analysis Team discussed in PG&E's 2022 WMP Update? Please provide a reference to the appropriate section, if yes.
- f) Please describe how the Asset Failure Analysis Team causally connected the June 2021 ignition to the broken crossarm.
- g) Has the Asset Failure Analysis Team causally connected other ignitions that occurred in 2021 to failed assets with existing corrective notifications?
- h) If the answer to part (g) is yes, please list such ignitions, their cause, and provide copies of associated reports or investigations performed by the Asset Failure Analysis Team.

**ANSWER 05**

- a) Our Asset Failure Analysis (AFA) Team was established in March of 2020.

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<sup>1</sup> Kirkland & Ellis LLP, PG&E Independent Monitor Report of November 19, 2021 (Case No. 14-CR-00175- WHA Doc. No. 1524-1), November 23, 2021.

<sup>2</sup> Monitor's 2021 Report, p. 36.

- b) The AFA Team investigates equipment-caused ignition events by evaluating data and failed equipment to determine apparent causes. AFA investigations establish the extent to which the cause conditions exist elsewhere in the system and propose implementation of corrective actions to mitigate risk of future unplanned equipment failure events.