

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
Wildfire Mitigation Plans Discovery 2023-2025
Data Response

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QUESTION 009

In response to data request CalAdvocates-PGE-2025WMP-03, question 1, PG&E provided attachment "WMP-Discovery2023-2025_DR_CalAdvocates_039-Q006Atch01.xlsx," which relates to asset inspections in 2023.

Line 8 indicates that, out of 133 transmission intrusive pole inspections reviewed by desktop QC, 108 failed QC review.

Line 9 indicates that, out of 149 transmission intrusive pole inspections reviewed by field QC, 134 failed QC review.

- a) Has PG&E made any changes to its **intrusive inspection practices** for transmission pole inspections as a result of the high QC failure rates?
- b) If the answer to part (a) is yes, describe the changes PG&E has made.
- c) Provide any relevant procedures, specifications, job aids, bulletins, or other documentation to support your answer to part (b).
- d) If the answer to part (a) is no, state why not.
- e) Has PG&E made any changes to its **QC review process for intrusive inspections** of transmission poles as a result of the high QC failure rates?
- f) If the answer to part (e) is yes, describe the changes PG&E has made.
- g) Provide any relevant procedures, specifications, job aids, bulletins, or other documentation to support your answer to part (f).
- h) If the answer to part (e) is no, state why not.
- i) Please describe any other actions PG&E took as a result of the high QC failure rates in 2023 noted above.
- j) What were the primary reasons for transmission intrusive pole inspections to fail desktop **QC** review in 2023?
- k) What were the primary reasons for transmission intrusive pole inspections to fail **field QC** review in 2023?

ANSWER 009

- a) Yes, PG&E is in the process of updating Utility Procedure TD-2325P-01, which provides instruction for intrusively inspective, testing, restoring, reinforcing, treating, and reusing wood poles. As part of this procedure revision, PG&E is addressing potential inspection quality concerns. Please see the response to subpart (j) for additional information regarding the referenced “failure” rates.
- b) Please see the response to subpart (a) for the requested information.
- c) We are still in the process of finalizing Revision 4 of TD-2325P-01 and will provide a copy when it is finalized. As of this response, we do not have a specific date for when we expect it to be finalized.
- d) Not applicable, please see the response to subpart (a).
- e) Yes, please see the response to subpart (a).
- f) Please see the response to subpart (a).
- g) The revised procedures are still being drafted, please see response to subpart (c).
- h) Not applicable, please see the response to subpart (e).
- i) Another action that PG&E took was to grow its Pole Test and Treat Program to include a field team and dedicated staff to mitigate quality findings.
- j) The “failure” rate indicated in the referenced spreadsheet does not represent a failed inspection. PG&E marks “failed” during the QC review process if an inspector did not accurately identify a checklist attribute.
- k) Please see the response to subpart (j) above.