

**NOTICE OF CLAIMED EXEMPTION FROM A  
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY**

**PROJECT NAME: S-238 HINKLEY COMPRESSOR STATION ELECTRICAL UPGRADES PROJECT (project), County of San Bernardino, California**

**Project:** Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is replacing the electrical distribution system within the Hinkley Compressor Station (station), located at 35863 Fairview Road in the community of Hinkley, California, in San Bernardino County. The project will replace or modify the station's existing electrical distribution switchgear, motor control centers (MCCs), and a load center and install connecting conduit and cables between the switchgear and MCCs. These changes will address reliability, maintainability, and operational safety. PG&E began construction on January 20, 2026, and is planning to complete the project by January 2028, or as soon as possible.

Temporary generators, fueled by natural gas at the station, will be brought to the project work area to power the station during construction. They will be used during specific construction activities when electric equipment is deenergized. After the upgrade is complete, all temporary generator equipment will be removed.

**Impacts:** The project has been planned and engineered to avoid or minimize the largely temporary environmental impacts. Project impacts are primarily construction related and PG&E will implement standard construction measures to further avoid or minimize impacts.

**Exemption:** The project had originally been filed as Application A.25-04-004 for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN). PG&E determined that, to prevent a potential emergency that could impact transmission reliability, it would proceed with the project construction under an emergency exemption from the permit requirement<sup>1</sup>. PG&E informed the CPUC of this in Advice Letter 5175-G.

**CPUC Contact Information:** To contact the CPUC Consumer Affairs Branch, call 1-800-649-7570, visit the webpage [www.cpuc.ca.gov/consumer-support](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/consumer-support), or write to the California Public Utilities Commission, Consumer Affairs Branch, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102-3298.

**Additional Project Information:** To obtain additional information on the project, please call PG&E's Project Information Line at (925) 244-3020 or email [S238Hinkley@pge.com](mailto:S238Hinkley@pge.com).

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<sup>1</sup> General Order 177 § IV.B.c.