

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

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The PG&E response WMP-Discovery2023-2025_DR_MGRA_013-Q001 contained information that has apparent discrepancies with PG&E's WMP 2025 Update:

QUESTION 005

How many “false” DCD signals were received that resulted in outages in 2023? What were the number of customers and customer minutes affected?

ANSWER 005

In 2023, a total of 252 DCD outage events occurred where either: (1) no identifiable visual fault condition could be found following a patrol; or (2) the event was related to planned switching activities. The 252 outages affected 269,307 customers for a total of 55,305,653 total customer interruption minutes.

For events where no obvious visual fault condition could be found following a patrol, it is likely—after reviewing event data—that in a portion of these cases, a transient high impedance ground fault occurred but the problem was not identifiable during the visual patrol due to a self-correcting temporary condition (e.g., a branch touching the line and then subsequently falling to ground). In other cases, there may be an explainable non-fault system disturbance that may have led to the DCD event. Therefore, to clarify, PG&E does not consider this category of event generically to be “false” signals.