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QUESTION 023

Provide a narrative explanation regarding how the decision tree on pg. 125 of PG&E's 2026-2028 WMP (Figure PG&E-6.1.3.1-4) and the decision tree on pg. 183-185 (Figures PG&E-8.2.1-1, PG&E-8.2.1-2, and PG&E-8.2.1-3) are related.

- a. Provide examples of how the four decision trees were used to determine some form of system hardening as the selected mitigation at a given circuit segment. The examples should exhaust all of the system hardening results made possible by these four decision trees.

Answer 023

The Mitigation Selection, Planning and Execution process referenced in Figure PG&E-6.1.3.1-4 describes the general process by which PG&E's Investment Planning Organization considers budgets for mitigation programs.

Figures PG&E-8.2.1-1, PG&E-8.2.1-2, and PG&E-8.2.1-3 is the decision tree used by the System Hardening Program for choosing system hardening mitigation alternatives for projects starting in 2027. We use the budgets developed by Investment Planning shown in Figure PG&E-6.1.3.1-4 to fund the system hardening mitigations.

- a. Figures PG&E-8.2.1-1, PG&E-8.2.1-2, and PG&E-8.2.1-3 is one single decision tree that we use to choose system hardening mitigation alternatives for projects starting in 2027. It is shown in the WMP as three individual figures so that it is more legible. To be clear, there are not four decision trees used to determine some form of system hardening as the selected mitigation at a given circuit segment—there is only one decision tree (Figures PG&E-8.2.1-1, PG&E-8.2.1-2, and PG&E-8.2.1-3).

The system hardening results made possible by the decision tree are: (1) do not implement system hardening; (2) implement a 100% overhead hardening solution; (3) implement a 100% undergrounding solution; (4) implement a hybrid hardening

solution where portions of a line are undergrounded and other portions are overhead hardened; and (5) implement a line removal with remote grid solution.

Figure PG&E-6.1.3.1-4 is a high-level illustration showing a life-cycle view of how we consider risk drivers to develop mitigation initiatives, develop an investment plan to fund the mitigations and then execute them. This decision tree is not used to select system hardening mitigation alternatives.