

NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS REGARDING PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO INCREASE RATES FOR THE 2017 GENERAL RATE CASE (PHASE 1) A.15-09-001

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) would like to hear from you.

The CPUC will hold a series of Public Participation Hearings (PPHs) to hear your comments about Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) 2017 General Rate Case (GRC) request to increase its rates, effective January 1, 2017.

Public Participation Hearings

The CPUC will hold a series of PPHs at various locations throughout PG&E's service area. These hearings will be your opportunity to express your views on PG&E's GRC. The PPHs will be facilitated by an Administrative Law Judge (Judge) and oral comments will be accepted from the public. At each location, customer service representatives from PG&E will be present to assist with individual customer billing and service concerns.

PPH dates, times and locations

Anyone wishing to present their views to the CPUC may attend one of the hearings scheduled below:

BAKERSFIELD

July 11, 2016

1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Bakersfield City Hall
South Council Chambers
1501 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

FRESNO

July 12, 2016

1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Fresno City Council Chambers
2600 Fresno Street
Fresno, CA 93721

STOCKTON

July 13, 2016

7:00 pm

Stockton City Council Chambers
425 N. El Dorado Street
Stockton, CA 95202

CHICO

July 14, 2016

6:00 pm

Manzanita Place
1705 Manzanita Avenue
Chico, CA 95926

RICHMOND

July 18, 2016

7:00 pm

Courtyard Richmond Berkeley
3150 Garrity Way
Richmond, CA 94806

OAKLAND

July 19, 2016

1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Elihu Harris State Building
2nd Floor, Room 2
1515 Clay Street
Oakland, CA 94612

SAN FRANCISCO

July 20, 2016

1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Public Utilities Commission
Auditorium
505 Van Ness Avenue
(Corner of Van Ness Avenue
and McAllister Street)
San Francisco, CA 94102

SANTA ROSA

July 25, 2016

1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

City of Santa Rosa/
Recreation and Parks Department
Steel Lane Community Center
Dohn Room
415 Steele Lane
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

SAN BRUNO

July 26, 2016

1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

San Bruno Library
Downstairs Room
701 Angus Avenue West
San Bruno, CA 94066

SAN JOSE

July 27, 2016

1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

San Jose Scottish Rite Center
Room 3
2455 Masonic Drive
San Jose, CA 95125

SAN LUIS OBISPO

July 28, 2016

1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

San Luis Obispo City/
County Library
Library Community Room
995 Palm Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Please note: All locations are wheelchair accessible. If you need a language interpreter or special assistance, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at the address listed below at least five days in advance of the hearing date.

About the filing

Every three years, PG&E is required to file a GRC with the CPUC. On September 1, 2015, PG&E filed its 2017 GRC application (A.15-09-001) requesting approval to increase rates to operate, maintain and upgrade PG&E's electric distribution, gas distribution and electric generation facilities. The CPUC will ultimately make a decision on what is reasonable for customers to pay in rates. The current CPUC approved revenue for 2016 is \$7.9 billion. If this request is approved, PG&E will increase revenue \$333 million in 2017, followed by an additional increase of \$469 million in 2018 and, in 2019, an additional increase of \$368 million. The cumulative total increase for the 2017-2019 GRC will be \$2.305 billion as compared to the current revenue amount.

The revenue requested in this GRC will be used to make the following investments:

- Upgrade the system of power plants, poles, wires, pipes and equipment needed to deliver electricity and gas to PG&E customers
- Increase safety in the operation of gas and electric facilities
- Modernize infrastructure to support clean technology and integrate resources such as rooftop solar, battery storage and other renewables
- Improve customer service support and provide customers with choice and control over their energy usage
- Continue improvements in emergency preparedness and coordination with public safety organizations

PG&E sent a notice of this application to all customers, beginning in September 2015.

The GRC does not include fuel-related costs addressed in the CPUC's Energy Resources Recovery Account proceedings (A.15-06-001), electric transmission-related costs addressed at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or gas transmission and storage (A.13-12-012) costs which are filed in separate applications.

CPUC process

As a party of record, the Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) has reviewed this application. ORA is the independent consumer advocacy group within the CPUC with a legislative mandate to represent investor-owned utility customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. The ORA has a multi-disciplinary staff with expertise in economics, finance, accounting and engineering. For more information about ORA, please call **415-703-1584**, e-mail ora@cpuc.ca.gov or visit ORA's website at www.ora.ca.gov/default.aspx.

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If you cannot attend a PPH but would like to comment you may submit your written comments to the Public Advisor's Office. Please reference **PG&E's Phase 1 GRC Application No. 15-09-001** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter. All public comments will become part of the public correspondence file for this proceeding and made available for review for the Judge, the Commissioners, and appropriate CPUC staff.

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