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Advice Letter 3977-E

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Subject: Installation of a Traffic Loop Detection System at PG&E’s Eureka Service Center – Request for Approval Under Section 851

Dear Mr. Cherry:

Advice Letters 3977-E is effective February 23, 2012.

Sincerely,

Edward F. Randolph, Director
Energy Division
December 22, 2011

Advice 3977-E
(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Installation of a Traffic Loop Detection System at PG&E’s Eureka Service Center – Request for Approval Under Section 851

Purpose

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (“PG&E”) respectfully requests an order from the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”) authorizing PG&E under Public Utilities Code § 851 (“Section 851”) to grant an easement to the County of Humboldt (the County) on PG&E property in the City of Eureka, California. Granting this easement will allow the County to construct, maintain and operate a traffic loop detector system at the intersection of Myrtle Avenue and Hubbard Lane which will help the County manage traffic in the area more effectively. A copy of the easement is attached hereto in Attachment 1. A detailed schematic showing the proposed placement of the traffic loop detector system is provided hereto in Attachment 1 Exhibit B.

Background

PG&E owns land, buildings and other facilities in connection with the provision of electric and gas service to its customers throughout its service territory in northern and central California. In the provision of these services, PG&E relies on a system of service centers to support its electric and gas services. One such service center is PG&E’s Eureka Service Center (the “Service Center”) which is located at 2555 Myrtle Avenue at the intersection of Myrtle Avenue and Hubbard Lane in the City of Eureka, California.

To provide for safer ingress and egress of traffic at Moore Avenue and Myrtle Avenue (1 block west of the Service Center) the County plans to install a new 4 way traffic/pedestrian signal at the intersection of Hubbard Lane and Myrtle Avenue, with the expectation that this new traffic signal will create a gap of non-flowing traffic at the Moore and Myrtle Avenue intersection. To effectively operate this new 4 way traffic/pedestrian signal at the intersection of Myrtle Avenue and Hubbard Lane, the
County would like to install a traffic loop detection system in the driveway of the Service Center, which is also located at the intersection of Myrtle Avenue and Hubbard Lane.

In accordance with Resolution ALJ-244, Appendix A, Section IV, PG&E provides the following information related to the proposed transaction:

(1) **Identity and Addresses of All Parties to the Proposed Transaction:**

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(2) **Complete Description of the Property Including Present Location, Condition and Use:**

PG&E owns and operates the Service Center, further identified as Assessor’s Parcel Number 016-151-005, on which the Service Center is located. The Service Center is located at 2555 Myrtle Avenue at the intersection of Myrtle Avenue and Hubbard Lane in the City of Eureka, County of Humboldt, State of California. The Service Center serves as the base for electric and gas service crews for the Eureka area. The Service Center also serves as headquarters for local service planning, engineering, customer services, and other staff, including a customer bill-payment station.

(3) **Intended Use of the Property:**

The County is requesting use of a portion of PG&E lands to operate a traffic loop detector system for development of a new traffic signal at the intersection of Myrtle Avenue and Hubbard Lane. The system will be imbedded in the pavement of the Service Center driveway within a 27’ by 40’ area (see Attachment 1 Exhibit B). Activities in the easement area would include saw cutting to install inductive wires into the driveway pavement that will lead to the traffic system; re-paving the saw cut areas of pavement; and marking the newly paved pavement with traffic arrows.

(4) **Complete Description of Financial Terms of the Proposed Transaction:**

There will be no monetary exchange or exchange of services for granting this easement to the County of Humboldt.
(5) **Description of How Financial Proceeds of the Transaction Will Be Distributed:**

No PG&E property is being sold or disposed of because of this transaction. Therefore, no change in PG&E’s rate base will result from approval of this Section 851 request. Granting this easement will neither interfere with the operations of the Service Center nor affect PG&E’s ability to provide reliable service to its customers and the public at large. On the contrary granting this easement will provide a public benefit by providing a safer means of ingress and egress at the Service Center.

(6) **Statement on the Impact of the Transaction on Ratebase and Any Effect on the Ability of the Utility to Serve Customers and the Public:**

Not Applicable

(7) **The Original Cost, Present Book Value, and Present Fair Market Value for Sales of Real Property and Depreciable Assets, and a Detailed Description of How the Fair Market Value Was Determined (e.g., Appraisal):**

Not Applicable

(8) **The Fair Market Rental Value for Leases of Real Property, and a Detailed Description of How the Fair Market Rental Value Was Determined:**

Not Applicable

(9) **For Fair Market Rental Value of the Easement or Right-of-Way and a Detailed Description of How the Fair Market Rental Value Was Determined:**

Not Applicable

(10) **A Complete Description of any Recent Past (Within the Prior Two Years) or Anticipated Future Transactions that May Appear To Be Related to the Present Transaction**

Not Applicable

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1 During adoption of the Advice Letter pilot program in ALJ-186 (later followed by ALJ-202 and ALJ-244), this category of information was included to enable the CPUC to ensure that utilities were not seeking to circumvent the $5 million Advice Letter threshold by dividing what is a single asset with a value of more than $5 million into component parts each valued at less than $5 million, which is clearly not the case here. (See CPUC Resolution ALJ-186, issued August 25, 2005, mimeo, p.5.)
(11) Sufficient Information and Documentation (Including Environmental Review Information) to Indicate that All Criteria Set Forth in Section II of Resolution ALJ-244 Are Satisfied:

PG&E has provided information in this Advice Letter to meet the eligibility criteria under Resolution ALJ-244…

- Under the CEQA Checklist, the activity proposed in the transaction will not require environmental review by the CPUC as a lead agency.
- No financial compensation will be received from granting the proposed easement.
- The activities described as part of the easement do not involve the transfer or change in ownership of property or facilities currently used in PG&E operations. PG&E will retain full access rights and ownership to its facilities in support of its utility operations.
- The proposed activities will not have an adverse effect on the public interest; rather they will provide for greater vehicular safety of drivers using the driveway at Hubbard and Myrtle Avenue by providing greater traffic regulation.

(12) Additional Information to Assist in the Review of the Advice Letter:

No information is readily available other than what has already been included within this filing.

(13) Environmental Information

The County of Humboldt assumed the role of lead agency responsible for the environmental analysis of the Project. Based on this analysis Humboldt County Department of Public Works found that the Project qualifies for a Class 1 Categorical Exemption (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301). The Notice of Exemption for the Project was issued by the Humboldt County Department of Public Works on October 6, 2011.

a. Exemption

i. Has the proposed transaction been found exempt from CEQA by a government agency?

1. If yes, please attach notice of exemption. Please provide name of agency, date of Notice of Exemption, and State Clearinghouse number.

   The notice of exemption is provided as Attachment 2.
Agency Name: County of Humboldt, Department of Public Works, Natural Resources Division
Date of Exemption: October 6, 2011
State Clearinghouse Number: Not Applicable

2. If no, does the applicant contend that the project is exempt from CEQA? If yes, please identify the specific CEQA exemption or exemptions that apply to the transaction, citing to the applicable State CEQA Guideline(s) and/or Statute(s).
   Not Applicable

   b. Not a “Project” Under CEQA

      i. If the transaction is not a “project” under CEQA, please explain why.
   
      Not Applicable

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by letter sent via U.S. mail by facsimile or electronically, any of which must be received no later than January 11, 2012, which is 20 days after the date of this filing. Protests should be mailed to:

CPUC Energy Division  
Attention: Tariff Unit, 4th Floor  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Facsimile: (415) 703-2200  
E-mail: mas@cpuc.ca.gov and jnj@cpuc.ca.gov

Copies of protests also should be mailed to the attention of the Director, Energy Division, Room 4004, at the address shown above.

The protest also should be sent via U.S. mail (and by facsimile and electronically, if possible) to PG&E at the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
Attention: Brian K. Cherry  
Vice President, Regulation and Rates  
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C  
P.O. Box 770000  
San Francisco, CA 94177
Effective Date

Pursuant to the review process outlined in Resolution ALJ-244, PG&E requests that this advice filing become effective as soon as possible. Pursuant to Provision VII.A.5 of the Section 851 Pilot program Regulations (Resolution ALJ-244, Appendix A), PG&E submits this filing as a Tier 2 (meaning that it may be approved by the Executive Director or Energy Division Director) if unprotested, or as Tier 3 (if protested).

Notice

In accordance with General Order 96-B, Section IV, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and via U.S. mail to parties shown on the attached list and Appendix A. Address change requests and electronic approvals should be directed to e-mail PGETariffs@pge.com. Advice letter filings can also be accessed electronically at http://www.pge.com/tariffs.

Vice President - Regulation and Rates

Attachments
Attachment 1 – Easement Agreement
Attachment 2 – Notice of Exemption
********** SERVICE LIST Advice 3977-E **********

APPENDIX A

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**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY**

**ENERGY UTILITY**

**Company name/CPUC Utility No.** Pacific Gas and Electric Company (ID U39 E)

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**EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE**

ELC = Electric  GAS = Gas  PLC = Pipeline  HEAT = Heat  WATER = Water

Advice Letter (AL) #: **3977-E**

**Tier:** 2

Subject of AL: **Installation of a Traffic Loop Detection System at PG&E’s Eureka Service Center – Request for Approval Under Section 851**

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance

AL filing type: ☑ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annual ☑ One-Time ☐ Other

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:__

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: No

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL:__

Is AL requesting confidential treatment? If so, what information is the utility seeking confidential treatment for:

Confidential information will be made available to those who have executed a nondisclosure agreement: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name(s) and contact information of the person(s) who will provide the nondisclosure agreement and access to the confidential information:

Resolution Required? ☐ Yes ☑ No

Requested effective date: Upon Commission Approval

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): N/A

Estimated system average rate effect (%): N/A

When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).

Service affected and changes proposed: N/A

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: N/A

Protests, dispositions, and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this filing, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

**CPUC, Energy Division**

**Tariff Files, Room 4005**

**DMS Branch**

505 Van Ness Ave.,
San Francisco, CA 94102

jnj@cpuc.ca.gov and mas@cpuc.ca.gov

**Pacific Gas and Electric Company**

**Attn: Brian Cherry**

**Vice President, Regulation and Rates**

77 Beale Street, Mail Code B10C

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E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com
Attachment 1

Easement Agreement
EASEMENT AGREEMENT
(Traffic Signal Detector System Easement to County of Humboldt)

This Easement Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into this ______ day of ______, 20___ (the "Effective Date") by PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation, hereinafter called “PG&E”, and the COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter called “Grantee.”

RECITALS

A. PG&E owns certain real property within the County of Humboldt, State of California, more particularly described in EXHIBIT A, and shown on EXHIBIT B, both of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

B. Grantee proposes to construct a traffic signal detector system within said real property northeasterly of the intersection of Myrtle Avenue and Hubbard Lane, to control the flow of traffic in and out of PG&E’s existing service center. In connection therewith, Grantee has requested that PG&E grant an easement for such purpose.

C. PG&E is willing to grant such easement on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein.
Now, therefore, for good and valuable consideration, PG&E and Grantee agree as follows:

1. **Grant of Easement:** PG&E hereby grants to Grantee, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the following easement:

   Traffic Signal Detector System Easement. A non-exclusive easement to excavate, install, construct, reconstruct, repair, replace, maintain and use traffic signal improvements consisting of traffic loop detectors, a detector handhole box for the placement of conduit, wires, cables and other electrical conductors and fixtures and appurtenances necessary to any thereof, for the purpose of interconnecting Grantee’s traffic loop detectors to Grantee’s main traffic signal control box, together with the right to install new asphalt over the loop detectors, and the right to mark and stripe the pavement for the purpose of channeling traffic to the loop detectors, within the real property described in EXHIBIT A and shown on EXHIBIT B (the “Easement Area”).

2. **Limitations on Use.**

   (a) The Easement Area and any facilities permitted to be constructed thereon are to be used by Grantee only for those uses permitted in Section 1 above, and for no other purpose.

   (b) PG&E reserves the right to restrict access to the Easement Area or any portion or portions thereof in the event of fire, earthquake, storm, riot, civil disturbance, or other casualty or emergency, or in connection with PG&E’s response thereto, or if emergency repairs or maintenance are required to PG&E facilities within or in the vicinity of the Easement Area, or otherwise when PG&E deems it advisable to do so, including in connection with events and emergencies occurring or affecting PG&E’s business operations located elsewhere than in the immediate vicinity of the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property.

   (c) Grantee shall not erect or construct any building or other structure other than the traffic signal detector system specifically authorized by this Agreement, nor shall Grantee drill or operate any well, within five (5) feet of any of PG&E’s electric or gas facilities.

3. **Condition of Easement Area.** Grantee accepts the Easement Area in its existing physical condition, without warranty by PG&E or any duty or obligation on the part of PG&E to maintain the Easement Area. Grantee acknowledges that one or more of the following (collectively, “**Potential Environmental Hazards**”) may be located in, on or underlying the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property:

   (a) electric fields, magnetic fields, electromagnetic fields, electromagnetic radiation, power frequency fields, and extremely low frequency fields, however designated, and whether emitted by electric transmission lines, other distribution equipment or otherwise (“**EMFs**”);

   (b) Hazardous Substances (as hereinafter defined). For purposes hereof, the term “**Hazardous Substances**” means any hazardous or toxic material or waste which is or becomes regulated by Legal Requirements (as hereinafter defined) relating to the protection of human health or safety, or regulating or relating to industrial hygiene or environmental conditions,
or the protection of the environment, or pollution or contamination of the air, soil, surface water or groundwater, including, but not limited to, laws, requirements and regulations pertaining to reporting, licensing, permitting, investigating and remediating emissions, discharges, releases or threatened releases of such substances into the air, surface water, or land, or relating to the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of such substances. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the term Hazardous Substances includes any material or substance:


(2) which is toxic, explosive, corrosive, flammable, infectious, radioactive, carcinogenic, mutagenic or otherwise hazardous, and is now or hereafter regulated as a Hazardous Substance by the United States, the State of California, any local governmental authority or any political subdivision thereof, or which cause, or are listed by the State of California as being known to the State of California to cause, cancer or reproductive toxicity; or

(3) the presence of which on the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property poses or threatens to pose a hazard to the health or safety of persons on or about the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property or to the environment; or

(4) which contains gasoline, diesel fuel or other petroleum hydrocarbons; or

(5) which contains lead-based paint or other lead contamination, polychlorinated biphenyls (“PCBs”) or asbestos or asbestos-containing materials or urea formaldehyde foam insulation; or

(6) which contains radon gas;

(c) fuel or chemical storage tanks, energized electrical conductors or equipment, or natural gas transmission or distribution pipelines; and

(d) other potentially hazardous substances, materials, products or conditions.
Grantee shall be solely responsible for the health and safety of, and shall take all necessary precautions to protect, its employees, contractors, consultants, agents and invitees, including, without limitation, the general public (“Grantee’s Representatives”) from risks of harm from Potential Environmental Hazards. Grantee acknowledges that it has previously evaluated the condition of the Easement Area and all matters affecting the suitability of the Easement Area for the uses permitted by this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the Potential Environmental Hazards listed herein.

4. **Grantee’s Covenants.** Grantee hereby covenants and agrees:

   (a) **Construction of Improvements.** Grantee agrees to construct and install, at no cost to PG&E, such facilities and improvements (“Improvements”) as may be necessary and appropriate for Grantee’s permitted use, as specified in Section 1. All such construction shall be performed in accordance with detailed plans and specifications (“Plans”) previously approved by PG&E, and shall comply with all Legal Requirements, as defined below in Section 4(b). Before commencing construction of any Improvements, Grantee shall obtain all permits, authorizations or other approvals, at Grantee’s sole cost and expense as may be necessary for such construction. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Grantee shall be responsible for complying with any and all applicable requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (“NEPA”) and the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) and satisfying, at Grantee’s sole expense, any and all mitigation measures under CEQA that may apply to Grantee’s proposed occupancy and use of the Easement Area, and to the construction, maintenance and use of Grantee’s proposed Improvements and facilities. Grantee shall promptly notify PG&E of any and all proposed mitigation measures that may affect PG&E, the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property. If PG&E determines in good faith that any such mitigation measures may adversely affect PG&E, the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property, or impose limitations on PG&E’s ability to use PG&E’s adjacent property as specified in Section 8, then PG&E shall have the right, without liability to Grantee, to give notice of termination of this Agreement to Grantee, whereupon this Agreement and the rights granted to Grantee shall terminate and revest in PG&E, unless within ten (10) days following delivery of such notice, Grantee gives notice to PG&E by which Grantee agrees to modify its proposed Project (as that term is defined under CEQA) so as to eliminate the necessity for such mitigation measures. In the event of such termination, PG&E and Grantee shall each be released from all obligations under this Agreement, except those which expressly survive termination. Grantee acknowledges and agrees that PG&E’s review of Grantee’s Plans is solely for the purpose of protecting PG&E’s interests, and shall not be deemed to create any liability of any kind on the part of PG&E, or to constitute a representation on the part of PG&E or any person consulted by PG&E in connection with such review that the Plans or the Improvements contemplated by such Plans are adequate or appropriate for any purpose, or comply with applicable Legal Requirements. Grantee shall not commence construction or installation of any Improvements without the prior written consent of PG&E, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, and the prior consent, to the extent required by applicable law or regulation, of the California Public Utilities Commission (hereinafter, “CPUC”);

   (b) **Compliance with Laws.** Grantee shall, at its sole cost and expense, promptly comply with (a) all laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, requirements or orders of municipal, state, and federal authorities now in force or that may later be in force, including, but not limited to, those relating to the generation, use, storage, handling, treatment, transportation or
disposal of Hazardous Substances, as defined herein, or to health, safety, noise, environmental protection, air quality or water quality; (b) the conditions of any permit, occupancy certificate, license or other approval issued by public officers relating to Grantee’s use or occupancy of the Easement Area; and (c) with any liens, encumbrances, easements, covenants, conditions, restrictions and servitudes (if any) of record, or of which Grantee has notice, which may be applicable to the Easement Area (collectively, “Legal Requirements”), regardless of when they become effective, insofar as they relate to the use or occupancy of the Easement Area by Grantee. Grantee shall furnish satisfactory evidence of such compliance upon request by PG&E. The judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, or the admission of Grantee in any action or proceeding against Grantee, whether or not PG&E is a party in such action or proceeding, that Grantee has violated any Legal Requirement relating to the use or occupancy of the Easement Area, shall be conclusive of that fact as between PG&E and Grantee.

(c) Notice of Enforcement Proceedings. Grantee agrees to notify PG&E in writing within three (3) business days of any investigation, order or enforcement proceeding which in any way relates to the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property, or to any contamination or suspected contamination on, within or underlying the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property. Such notice shall include a complete copy of any order, complaint, agreement, or other document which may have been issued, executed or proposed, whether draft or final;

(d) Non-Interference. Grantee agrees not to interfere in any way or permit any interference with the use of PG&E’s adjacent property by PG&E and other entitled persons. Interference shall include, but not be limited to, any activity by Grantee that places any of PG&E’s gas or electric facilities in violation of any of the provisions of General Order Nos. 95 (Overhead Electric), 112E (Gas), and 128 (Underground Electric) of the CPUC or to any other Legal Requirements under which the operations of utility facilities are controlled or regulated. Grantee shall not erect, handle, or operate any tools, machinery, apparatus, equipment, or materials closer to any of PG&E’s high-voltage electric conductors than the minimum clearances set forth in the High-Voltage Electrical Safety Orders of the California Division of Industrial Safety; which minimum clearances are incorporated herein by reference; but in no event closer than ten (10) feet to any energized electric conductors or appliances. Grantee shall not drill, bore, or excavate within thirty (30) feet of any of PG&E’s underground facilities, including, but not limited to, gas pipelines, valves, regulators, electric conduits, tower footings or foundations. Grantee shall provide notice to Underground Service Alert at 1-800-227-2600 at least two (2) business days prior to commencing any drilling, boring or excavating permitted hereunder to assist Grantee with locating any and all underground facilities, including, but not limited to, gas pipelines, valves, regulators or electric conduits;

(e) Avoiding Dangerous Activities. Grantee agrees to conduct its activities and operations within and on the Easement Area in such a manner so as not to endanger the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property, PG&E’s utility facilities, the environment and human health and safety. Grantee shall not cause or permit any Hazardous Substances, as defined herein, to be brought upon, produced, stored, used, discharged or disposed of on, or in the vicinity of the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property, except in compliance with all applicable Legal Requirements. Grantee shall be responsible for the cost of remediating any discharge or release of Hazardous Substances resulting from or arising in connection with Grantee’s use of the Easement Area, and shall immediately notify PG&E and the appropriate regulatory authorities where
required by law, of any such release. If PG&E determines that Grantee’s activities in any way endanger the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property, PG&E’s utility facilities, the environment, or human health and safety, PG&E may, in PG&E’s sole and absolute discretion, require that Grantee halt such activities until appropriate protective measures are taken to PG&E’s satisfaction. Grantee shall hold PG&E harmless from any claims resulting from any delay under this paragraph. PG&E’s right to halt activities under this paragraph shall not in any way affect or alter Grantee’s insurance or indemnity obligations under this Agreement, nor shall it relieve Grantee from any of its obligations hereunder that pertain to health, safety, or the protection of the environment;

(f) Maintenance. Grantee agrees to maintain its facilities and Improvements in good condition and repair, and be responsible for the security of, the facilities installed hereunder;

(g) Repairing Damage. Grantee agrees to repair any damage it may cause to PG&E’s facilities and improvements in or around said Easement Area;

(h) Coordination. Grantee agrees to coordinate all activities regarding the easements granted herein to reasonably minimize any interference and inconvenience with the use by PG&E of the Easement Area and PG&E’s adjacent property, and;

(i) PG&E Right to Cure. Grantee agrees that if Grantee fails to perform any act or other obligation on its part to be performed hereunder, and such failure is not remedied within fifteen (15) days following notice from PG&E (or in the case of an emergency, following such notice, if any, as may be reasonably practicable under the existing circumstances), PG&E may (but without obligation to do so, and without waiving or releasing Grantee from any of its obligations) perform any such act or satisfy such obligation, or otherwise remedy such emergency or such failure on the part of Grantee. All costs incurred by PG&E in responding to or remedying such failure by Grantee shall be payable by Grantee to PG&E on demand.

5. Indemnification; Release.

(a) Grantee shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, indemnify, protect, defend and hold harmless PG&E, its parent corporation, subsidiaries and affiliates, and their respective officers, managers, directors, representatives, agents, employees, transferees, successors and assigns (each, an “Indemnitee” and collectively, “Indemnitees”) from and against all claims, losses (including, but not limited to, diminution in value), actions, demands, damages, costs, expenses (including, but not limited to, experts fees and reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs) and liabilities of whatever kind or nature (collectively, “Claims”), which arise from or are in any way connected with the occupancy or use of the Easement Area by Grantee or Grantee’s Representatives, or the exercise by Grantee of its rights hereunder, or the performance of, or failure to perform, Grantee’s duties under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, Claims arising out of: (1) injury to or death of persons, including but not limited to employees of PG&E or Grantee (and including, but not limited to, injury due to exposure to EMFs and other Potential Environmental Hazards in, on or about the Easement Area and PG&E’s adjacent property); (2) injury to property or other interest of PG&E, Grantee or any third party; (3) violation of any applicable federal, state, or local laws, statutes, regulations, or ordinances, including all Legal Requirements relating to human health or the environment, and including any liability which may
be imposed by law or regulation without regard to fault; excepting only with respect to any Indemnitee, to the extent of any Claim arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Grantee shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, indemnify, protect, defend and hold Indemnities harmless from and against Claims arising out of or in connection with any work of improvement constructed or installed at or on, labor performed on, or materials delivered to, or incorporated in any improvements constructed on, the Easement Area by, or at the request or for the benefit of, Grantee. In the event any action or proceeding is brought against any Indemnitee for any Claim against which Grantee is obligated to indemnify or provide a defense hereunder, Grantee upon written notice from PG&E shall defend such action or proceeding at Grantee’s sole expense by counsel approved by PG&E, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

(b) Grantee acknowledges that all Claims arising out of or in any way connected with releases or discharges of any Hazardous Substance, or the exacerbation of a Potential Environmental Hazard, occurring as a result of or in connection with Grantee’s use or occupancy of the Easement Area, or any of the activities of Grantee and Grantee’s Representatives, and all costs, expenses and liabilities for environmental investigations, monitoring, containment, abatement, removal, repair, cleanup, restoration, remediation and other response costs, including reasonable attorneys’ fees and disbursements and any fines and penalties imposed for the violation of Legal Requirements relating to the environment or human health, are expressly within the scope of the indemnity set forth above.

(c) Grantee’s use of the Easement Area shall be at its sole risk and expense. Grantee accepts all risk relating to its occupancy and use of the Easement Area. PG&E shall not be liable to Grantee for, and Grantee hereby waives and releases PG&E and the other Indemnitees from, any and all liability, whether in contract, tort or on any other basis, for any injury, damage, or loss resulting from or attributable to any occurrence on or about the Easement Area, the condition of Easement Area, or the use or occupancy of the Easement Area.

(d) Grantee shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, indemnify, protect, defend and hold Indemnities harmless against claims, losses, costs (including, but not limited to, attorneys’ fees and costs), liabilities and damages resulting from the failure of Grantee, or any of its contractors or subcontractors, to comply with the insurance requirements set forth in EXHIBIT C, attached hereto and made a part hereof. If Grantee fails to so indemnify, protect, defend or hold harmless any Indemnitee, then at PG&E’s option, this Agreement shall terminate, and the estate and interest herein granted to Grantee shall revert to and revest in PG&E, if such failure continues for five (5) days following the giving of written notice of termination to Grantee, unless within such time such failure is cured to the reasonable satisfaction of PG&E.

(e) The provisions of this Section 5 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

6. Additional Facilities. Grantee shall not install any additional facilities or improvements in, on, under or over the Easement Area without the prior written consent of PG&E, which consent may be granted or withheld in PG&E’s sole and absolute discretion, and the prior consent, to the extent required by applicable law or regulation, of the CPUC. Grantee shall submit
plans for installation of any proposed additional facilities within the Easement Area to PG&E for its written approval at the address specified in Section 12.

7. **Abandonment; Termination.** In the event PG&E discontinues the use of its driveway for which this easement is granted, or if Grantee abandons the Improvements installed hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate and all of the easements and other rights of Grantee hereunder shall revert to PG&E. The non-use of such Improvements for a continuous period of two (2) years, unless such nonuse is due to factors outside Grantee’s reasonable control, in which case such period is extended to four (4) years, shall be conclusive evidence of such abandonment. Upon any termination of this Agreement, Grantee shall remove, at no cost to PG&E, such of Grantee’s Improvements installed pursuant to this Agreement as PG&E may specify. Upon any termination of this Agreement, Grantee shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to PG&E a quitclaim deed or such other documents or instruments, in a form reasonably acceptable to PG&E, as may be reasonably necessary to eliminate this Agreement as an encumbrance on the title to the Easement Area or any larger parcel of property containing the Easement Area.

8. **Reserved Rights.** PG&E reserves the right to use the Easement Area for any and all purposes which will not unreasonably interfere with Grantee’s Improvements. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

   (a) PG&E reserves the right to make use of the Easement Area for such purposes as it may deem necessary or appropriate if, and whenever, in the interest of its service to its patrons or consumers or the public, it shall appear necessary or desirable to do so.

   (b) Grantee acknowledges that PG&E may have previously granted, and may in the future grant, certain rights in and across the Easement Area to others, and the use of the word “grant” in this Agreement shall not be construed as a warranty or covenant by PG&E that there are no such other rights.

   (c) Grantee shall not make use of the Easement Area in any way which will endanger human health or the environment, create a nuisance or otherwise be incompatible with the use of the Easement Area or PG&E’s adjacent property, by PG&E or others entitled to use such property.

   (d) This grant is made subject to all applicable provisions of General Order No. 95 (Overhead Electric), General Order 112E (Gas) and General Order No. 128 (Underground Electric) of the CPUC, in like manner as though said provisions were set forth herein.

9. **Governmental Approvals.** This Agreement shall not become effective, notwithstanding that it may have been executed and delivered by the parties, and Grantee shall not commence construction or other activities hereunder, unless and until the CPUC approves this Agreement and the easements granted and other transactions contemplated hereby (including the adequacy of the compensation to be paid by Grantee), by an order which is final, unconditional and unappealable (including exhaustion of all administrative appeals or remedies before the CPUC). Grantee further acknowledges and agrees that PG&E makes no representation or warranty regarding the prospects for CPUC approval, and Grantee hereby waives all Claims against PG&E which may arise out of the need for such CPUC approval or the failure of the CPUC to grant such
approval. This Agreement is made subject to all the provisions of such approval, as more particularly set forth in CPUC Decision D-______ (Application No. ______), in like manner as though said provisions were set forth in full herein.

10. **Compliance; Insurance.** PG&E shall have a right to access and inspect the Easement Area at any time to confirm Grantee’s compliance with Legal Requirements and the provisions of this Agreement. Prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement, Grantee shall procure, and thereafter Grantee shall carry and maintain in effect at all times during the term of the Agreement, with respect to the Easement Area and the use, occupancy and activities of Grantee and Grantee’s Representatives on or about the Easement Area, the insurance specified in **EXHIBIT C**, attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference, provided that PG&E reserves the right to review and modify from time to time the coverages and limits of coverage required hereunder, as well as the deductibles and/or self-insurance retentions in effect from time to time (but PG&E agrees that it will not increase required coverage limits more often than once in any five-year period). All insurance required under this Agreement shall be effected under valid, enforceable policies issued by insurers of recognized responsibility, as reasonably determined by PG&E, and shall be written on forms and with insurance carriers acceptable to PG&E. For so long as Grantee is an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, the State of California or any political subdivision thereof, then Grantee may elect to self-insure for any or all of the required coverage. If Grantee is permitted to self-insure hereunder and elects to do so, Grantee shall be liable to PG&E for the full equivalent of insurance coverage which would have been available to PG&E if all required insurance policies had been obtained by Grantee from a third party insurer, in the form required by this Agreement, and shall pay on behalf of or indemnify PG&E for all amounts which would have been payable by the third party insurer. In addition, Grantee shall act with the same promptness and subject to the same standards of good faith as would apply to a third party insurance company. Grantee is also responsible for causing its agents, contractors and subcontractors to comply with the insurance requirements of this Agreement at all relevant times (provided, however, that Grantee, in the exercise of its reasonable judgment, may permit contractors and subcontractors to maintain coverages and limits lower than those required of Grantee, provided the coverages and limits required by Grantee are commercially reasonable in light of applicable circumstances). Any policy of liability insurance required to be maintained hereunder by Grantee may be maintained under a so-called “blanket policy” insuring other locations and/or other persons, so long as PG&E is specifically named as an additional insured under such policy and the coverages and amounts of insurance required to be provided hereunder are not thereby impaired or diminished. In addition, liability insurance coverages may be provided under single policies for the full limits, or by a combination of underlying policies with the balance provided by excess or umbrella liability insurance policies.

11. **Mechanics’ Liens.** Grantee shall keep the Easement Area and the larger parcel of which the Easement Area is a part, free and clear of all mechanics’, material suppliers’ or similar liens, or claims thereof, arising or alleged to arise in connection with any work performed, labor or materials supplied or delivered, or similar activities performed by Grantee or at its request or for its benefit. If any mechanics’ liens are placed on the Easement Area or the larger parcel of which the Easement Area is a part, in connection with the activities or facilities set forth in this Agreement, Grantee shall promptly cause such liens to be released and removed from title, either by payment or by recording a lien release bond in the manner specified in California Civil Code Section 3143 or any successor statute.
12. **Notice.** Any notices or communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered or sent by first class mail, certified or registered, postage prepaid, or sent by national overnight courier, with charges prepaid for next business day delivery, addressed to the addressee party at its address or addresses listed below, or to such other address or addresses for a party as such party may from time to time designate by notice given to the other party. Notices shall be deemed received upon actual receipt by the party being sent the notice, or on the following business day if sent by overnight courier, or on the expiration of three (3) business days after the date of mailing.

If to PG&E:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
North Coast Land Office  
2555 Myrtle Avenue  
Eureka, CA 95501  
Attention: Land Agent

With a copy to:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
P.O. Box 7442, Mail Code B30A  
San Francisco, California 94120  
Attention: Wendy T. Coleman

If to Grantee:

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Attention: ____________

With a copy to:

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13. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall in all respects be interpreted, enforced, and governed by and under the laws of the State of California.

14. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement supersedes all previous oral and written agreements between and representations by or on behalf of the parties and constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be amended except by a written agreement executed by both parties.

15. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement and the covenants and agreements contained herein shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective
heirs, successors and assigns (subject to the provisions of Section 16). No assignment or
delegation by Grantee, whether by operation of law or otherwise, shall relieve Grantee of any of its
duties, obligations or liabilities hereunder, in whole or in part. The covenants of PG&E hereunder
shall run with the land.

16. **Assignment.** Grantee shall not assign, convey, encumber (other than as may be
specifically permitted by the terms of this Agreement), or otherwise transfer the easements and
other rights herein conveyed, or any portion thereof or interest herein, without the prior written
consent of PG&E. Such consent may be given or withheld by PG&E for any reason or for no
reason, provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing, PG&E agrees that its consent will
not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned in the case of a proposed transfer or
dedication to a governmental agency. Grantee acknowledges and agrees that in any instance where
PG&E is required not to unreasonably withhold its consent, it shall be reasonable for PG&E to
withhold its consent if any regulatory agency having or asserting jurisdiction over PG&E or the
Easement Area, or having or claiming a right to review and/or approve the proposed transfer, fails
to grant approval thereof (or imposes conditions on such approval which are not acceptable to
PG&E, in its reasonable discretion). Grantee further acknowledges and agrees that in any instance
where PG&E is required not to unreasonably delay giving or withholding its consent, it shall be
reasonable for PG&E to make application for approval to any regulatory agency having or
asserting jurisdiction, and to defer the giving or withholding of consent, without liability hereunder
for delay, during the pendency and for a reasonable time following the conclusion of any such
regulatory proceedings.

17. **Attorneys’ Fees.** Should either party bring an action against the other party, by
reason of or alleging the failure of the other party with respect to any or all of its obligations
hereunder, whether for declaratory or other relief, then the party which prevails in such action shall
be entitled to its reasonable attorneys’ fees (of both in-house and outside counsel) and expenses
related to such action, in addition to all other recovery or relief. A party shall be deemed to have
prevailed in any such action (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) if such action is
dismissed upon the payment by the other party of the sums allegedly due or the performance of
obligations allegedly not complied with, or if such party obtains substantially the relief sought by it
in the action, irrespective of whether such action is prosecuted to judgment. Attorneys’ fees shall
include, without limitation, fees incurred in discovery, contempt proceedings and bankruptcy
litigation, and in any appellate proceeding. The non-prevailing party shall also pay the attorney’s
fees and costs incurred by the prevailing party in any post-judgment proceedings to collect and
enforce the judgment. The covenant in the preceding sentence is separate and several and shall
survive the merger of this provision into any judgment on this Agreement. For purposes hereof,
the reasonable fees of PG&E’s in-house attorneys who perform services in connection with any
such action shall be recoverable, and shall be based on the fees regularly charged by private
attorneys with the equivalent number of years of experience in the relevant subject matter area of
the law, in law firms in the City of San Francisco with approximately the same number of
attorneys as are employed by PG&E’s Law Department.

18. **No Waiver.** No waiver with respect to any provision of this Agreement shall be
effective unless in writing and signed by the party against whom it is asserted. No waiver of any
provision of this Agreement by a party shall be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach or
failure of the same term or condition, or as a waiver of any other provision of this Agreement.
19. **No Offsets.** Grantee acknowledges that PG&E is executing this Agreement in its capacity as the owner of the Easement Area, and not in its capacity as a public utility company or provider of electricity and natural gas. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no act or omission of Pacific Gas and Electric Company or its employees, agents or contractors as a provider of electricity and natural gas shall abrogate, diminish, or otherwise affect the respective rights, obligations and liabilities of PG&E and Grantee under this Agreement. Further, Grantee covenants not to raise as a defense to its obligations under this Agreement, or assert as a counterclaim or cross-claim in any litigation or arbitration between PG&E and Grantee relating to this Agreement, any claim, loss, damage, cause of action, liability, cost or expense (including, but not limited to, attorneys’ fees) arising from or in connection with Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s provision of (or failure to provide) electricity and natural gas.

20. **No Dedication.** Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be deemed to be a gift or dedication of land or rights to the general public. The right of the public or any person, including Grantee, to make any use whatsoever of the Easement Area or any portion thereof, other than as expressly permitted herein or as expressly allowed by a recorded map, agreement, deed or dedication, is by permission and is subject to the control of PG&E in its sole discretion.

21. **No Third Party Beneficiary.** This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and, except as expressly provided herein, does not confer any rights or remedies on any other person or entity.

22. **Captions.** The captions in this Agreement are for reference only and shall in no way define or interpret any provision hereof.

23. **Time.** Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the parties agree that as to any obligation or action to be performed hereunder, time is of the essence.

24. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement shall be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforced to the full extent permitted by law, provided the material provisions of this Agreement can be determined and effectuated.

25. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in identical counterpart copies, each of which shall be an original, but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

26. **Other Documents.** Each party agrees to sign any additional documents or permit applications which may be reasonably required to effectuate the purpose of this Agreement. Provided, however, that PG&E will not be required to take any action or execute any document that would result in any cost, expense or liability to PG&E.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first set forth above.

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation

By: ________________________________
Marvin Penner
Manager, Land Management
Land and Environmental Management

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, a political subdivision of the State of California

By: ________________________________
Name: ______________________________
Its: ______________________________

Exhibits A, B and C attached

Attach to LD 1405-01-1197
Area 7, Redwood Region, North Coast Division
Land Service Office: San Francisco
Operating Department: Corporate Real Estate
T5N, R1W, HBM
Sec 25, SW4ofSE4
FERC License Number(s): NA
PG&E Drawing Number(s):
PLAT NO.: P0820
LD of any affected documents: 1405-01-0064
LD of any Cross-referenced documents: NA
TYPE OF INTEREST: 11c
SBE Parcel Number: 135-12-021J, Pcl 1
(For Quitclaims, % being quitclaimed): NA
Order # or PM #: 3012299
JCN: 22-11-177
County: Humboldt
Utility Notice Numbers: NA
851 Approval Application No. Decision
Prepared By: TEP
Checked By: DQT1
Revised By: TEP (10-31-11)
EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF EASEMENT AREA
EXHIBIT A

All that real property situated in the southeast quarter of Section 25, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian, County of Humboldt, State of California, described as follows:

That portion of the lands of Pacific Gas and Electric Company described in Volume 198, Page 136, Official Records of Humboldt County, described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point which bears South 53°23'54" East 241.85 feet from the monument shown at centerline station 55+03.16 EC, Book 13 of Surveys, Page 59, Records of Humboldt County, said monument being an 1/8" brass pin in concrete in a monument well;

THENCE South 52°35'49" West 27.00 feet to the northeasterly right-of-way line of Myrtle Ave., a county road, 60 feet wide;

THENCE along said line South 39°46'20" East 40.00 feet;

THENCE leaving said line North 52°35'49" East 27.00 feet;

THENCE North 39°46'20" West 40.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

The BASIS OF BEARINGS for this description is Book 13 of Surveys, Pages 57-59, sheet 3, Records of Humboldt County, between the monuments shown on the centerline of Myrtle Ave., having a record bearing and distance of South 39°46'20" East 595.13 feet (measured = 595.26 feet).

END OF DESCRIPTION

David J. Ryan, LS 6212. Dated 8/15/11

[Stamp: LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR NOf. 6212 - STATE OF CALIFORNIA]
EXHIBIT B

PLAT OF EASEMENT AREA
The surveying related information depicted hereon was prepared by me or under my direction. In the event of any conflicts between the data shown on this diagram and that contained in the description on the preceding page, the description is to be held paramount.
EXHIBIT C

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Grantee shall procure, carry and maintain in effect throughout the term of this Agreement the following insurance coverage. Grantee is also responsible for its subcontractors maintaining sufficient limits of the appropriate insurance coverages.

A. Workers’ Compensation and Employers’ Liability
   1. Workers’ Compensation insurance indicating compliance with any and all applicable labor codes, acts, laws or statutes, state or federal.
   2. Employer’s Liability insurance shall not be less than One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) for injury or death, each accident.

B. Commercial General Liability
   1. Coverage shall be at least as broad as the Insurance Services Office (ISO) Commercial General Liability insurance “occurrence” form with no additional coverage alterations.
   2. The limits shall not be less than Five Million Dollars ($5,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, property damage and products and completed operations. Defense costs are to be provided outside the policy limits.
   3. Coverage shall include: a) an “Additional Insured” endorsement (ISO Additional Insured form CG 2010 or equivalent coverage) adding as additional insureds PG&E, its affiliates, subsidiaries, and parent company, and PG&E’s directors, officers, agents and employees with respect to liability arising out of work performed by or for Grantee. If the policy includes “blanket endorsement by contract,” the following language added to the certificate of insurance will satisfy PG&E’s requirement: “by blanket endorsement, PG&E, its affiliates, subsidiaries, and parent company, and PG&E’s directors, officers, agents and employees with respect to liability arising out of the work performed by or for the Grantee are included as additional insured”; and b) an endorsement or policy provision specifying that the Grantee’s insurance is primary and that any insurance or self-insurance maintained by PG&E shall be excess and non-contributing.

C. Business Auto
   1. Coverage shall be at least as broad as the Insurance Services Office (ISO) Business Auto Coverage form covering Automobile Liability, code 1 “any auto.”
   2. The limit shall not be less than One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) each accident for bodily injury and property damage.

1. Upon the Effective Date of the Easement Agreement Grantee shall furnish PG&E with two (2) sets of certificates of insurance including required endorsements.

2. Documentation shall state that coverage shall not be canceled except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to PG&E.

3. The documents must be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf and submitted to:

   Pacific Gas and Electric Company                 Pacific Gas and Electric Company
   Insurance Department - B24H                      North Coast Land Office
   Post Office Box 770000                           2555 Myrtle Avenue
   San Francisco, California 94177                  Eureka, CA 95501
   Attention: Land Agent

4. Upon request, Grantee shall furnish PG&E evidence of insurance for its agents or contractors.

5. PG&E may inspect the original policies or require complete certified copies at any time.
Attachment 2

Notice of Exemption
DATE: October 6, 2011

TO: Engineering Department

FROM: Natural Resources Division

SUBJECT: Myrtle Avenue and Hubbard Lane Traffic Signal Project; CEQA Determination

Background
Humboldt County Department of Public Works has designed a traffic signal installation project at the intersection of Myrtle Ave and Hubbard Lane and is prepared to install the new traffic signal facilities. The project will improve safety for both pedestrians and motorists who travel through this intersection. The project scope in general, is the installation of traffic signal lights, poles, control box and signal control mechanisms; construction of curb ramps and sidewalks; adjustment of utility cover; overlaying intersection with hot mix asphalt and painting traffic striping and pavement markers.

CEQA Determination
Staff has determined that this project fits the definition of a Class 1 Categorical Exemption (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301) as it involves the minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the County’s determination that the Categorical Exemption will apply. Furthermore, this project will not adversely impact air quality or any other environmental area as it will improve traffic flow through the intersection and reduce traffic delays and congestion, while any potential capacity increase due to this project is negligible. This project fits within the definition of the Class 1 Categorical Exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301 (f). Furthermore, staff has determined that none of the exceptions to the Categorical Exemptions set forth in CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2, apply. As such, staff has concluded that this Categorical Exemption applies to this project.

Andrew Bundschuh
Senior Environmental Analyst
Natural Resources Division
HUMBOLDT COUNTY
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: _____ Secretary for Resources
1416 Ninth Street, Room 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

APPLICANT: Humboldt County Public Works
1106 Second St.
Eureka, CA 95501
707-445-7741

__X__ County Clerk
County of Humboldt

Project Title: MYRTLE AVENUE AND HUBBARD LANE TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT

Project Location-Specific: INTERSECTION OF MYRTLE AVE (3K300) AND HUBBARD LANE (3K370)
T5N, R1W, S25; LAT 40.7843877 N, LONG 124.1302968 W.

Project Location-County: MYRTLETOWN, HUMBOLDT COUNTY

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Humboldt County Department of Public Works has designed a traffic signal installation project at the intersection of Myrtle Avenue and Hubbard Lane and is prepared to install the new traffic signal facilities. The project will improve safety for both pedestrians and motorists who travel through this intersection. The project scope in general, is the installation of traffic signal lights, poles, control box and signal control mechanisms; construction of curb ramps and sidewalks; adjustment of utility cover; overlaying intersection with hot mix asphalt and painting traffic striping and pavement markers.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: HUMBOLDT COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: HUMBOLDT COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Exempt Status: (Check One)

_____ Ministerial (Sec. 15268)
_____ Declared Emergency (Sec. 15269[a])
_____ Emergency Project (Sec. 15269[b] and [c])
__X__ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:

- 15301 (F) – EXISTING FACILITIES; Addition of safety protection devices in conjunction with existing structures or facilities.

Reason why project is exempt: This is a Class 1 Categorical Exemption, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (f), related to the minor alteration of existing public street involving negligible or no expansion of use. The new traffic signal at the intersection of Myrtle Ave and Hubbard Lane will improve safety for both pedestrians and motorists.

Contact Person: ANDREW BUNDSCHUH
HUMBOLDT COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS
Telephone: 707-445-7741

Signature of Receiving Party

Signature of Humboldt Co. Rep.

Title

October 6, 2011

Date received for filing

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