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## **NOTICE OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO INCREASE RATES IN ITS 2023 WILDFIRE MITIGATION AND CATASTROPHIC EVENTS APPLICATION (A.23-12-001)**

### **Acronyms you need to know**

**PG&E:** Pacific Gas and Electric Company

**CPUC:** California Public Utilities Commission

**WMCE:** Wildfire Mitigation and Catastrophic Events

### **Why am I receiving this notice?**

On December 1, 2023, PG&E filed its 2023 WMCE application with the CPUC. The application requests \$2.1 billion to recover costs related to wildfire mitigation activities.

The application proposes 85% (\$1.5 billion) of the total cost to be recovered over 12 months beginning March 2024, for electric distribution only. The remaining 15% (\$399 million) would be recovered through 2026.

### **Why is PG&E requesting this rate increase?**

Costs in this application are related to winter storm response in 2022 and 2023 and other declared catastrophic events. Also included in this application are costs related to Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS) planning, Advanced Fire Modeling and Vegetation Management. In addition, this application includes temporary generation to support customers during PSPS events and other customer care and climate related activities.



## PROPOSED ELECTRIC RATE INCREASE

Customer Class	CURRENT as of 9/1/23 (¢/kWh)	YEAR 1–9/1/24			YEAR 2–9/1/25			YEAR 3–9/1/26		
		Proposed (¢/kWh)	Increase in \$	Increase in %	Proposed (¢/kWh)	Increase in \$	Increase in %	Proposed (¢/kWh)	Increase in \$	Increase in %
Residential	32.15	34.44	2.29	7.1%	32.65	0.49	1.5%	32.25	0.10	0.3%
Small Commercial	36.23	38.97	2.75	7.6%	36.82	0.59	1.6%	36.34	0.12	0.3%
Medium Commercial	33.91	35.98	2.07	6.1%	34.36	0.45	1.3%	34.00	0.09	0.3%
Large Commercial	29.29	30.98	1.69	5.8%	29.66	0.37	1.3%	29.37	0.07	0.2%
Streetlight	48.30	51.41	3.11	6.4%	48.97	0.67	1.4%	48.43	0.13	0.3%
Standby	19.22	20.16	0.94	4.9%	19.43	0.21	1.1%	19.26	0.04	0.2%
Agriculture	33.07	35.42	2.35	7.1%	33.58	0.51	1.5%	33.17	0.10	0.3%
Industrial	23.03	24.01	0.98	4.3%	23.24	0.22	0.9%	23.07	0.04	0.2%
<b>Average System Rate Change</b>	<b>31.33</b>	<b>33.41</b>	<b>2.08</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	<b>31.78</b>	<b>0.45</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>31.42</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

### How could this affect my monthly electric rates?

Many customers receive bundled electric service from PG&E, meaning they receive electric generation, transmission and distribution services. PG&E is proposing to recover electric costs over a three-year period **beginning March 2024**.

A summary of the proposed rate increase for each year is included above.

In the first year, the bill for a typical residential customer using 500 kWh per month would increase from \$190.84 to \$204.49, or 7.2% compared to current bills. In the second year, the bill for a typical residential customer would increase \$2.95 or 1.5% compared to current bills. In the third year, the bill for a typical residential customer would increase \$0.58 or 0.3% compared to current bills.

Direct Access (DA) and Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) customers receive electric transmission and distribution services and select commission-ordered services from PG&E. If this application is approved, on average, rates for services provided by PG&E to these customers would increase by 12.0% compared to current rates in the first year, 2.6% compared to current rates in the second year and 0.5% compared to current rates in the third year. DA providers and CCAs set their own generation rates. Check with your DA provider or CCA to learn how this would impact your overall bill.

Another category of nonbundled customers is other Departing Load. These customers do not receive electric generation, transmission or distribution services from PG&E. On average, these customers would see an increase of 3.7% compared to current rates in the first year, 0.8% compared to current rates in the second year, and 0.1% compared to current rates in the third year.

Actual impacts will vary depending on usage and are subject to CPUC regulatory approval.

### How could this affect my monthly gas rates?

Bundled gas customers receive transmission, distribution and procurement services from PG&E. PG&E is proposing to recover gas costs over a two-year period **beginning March 2025**.

Based on rates currently in effect, in the first year the bill for a typical residential customer averaging 33 therms per month would increase from \$69.35 to \$69.56, or 0.3%. In the second year, the bill for a typical residential customer would increase \$0.02 or 0.03% compared to current bills.

Actual impacts will vary depending on usage and are subject to CPUC regulatory approval.

### How does the rest of this process work?

This application will be assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt PG&E's application, modify it or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding may review PG&E's application, including the Public Advocates Office. The Public Advocates Office is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information about the Public Advocates Office, please call **1-415-703-1584**, email: [PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov) or visit [PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov](http://PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov).

## Where can I get more information?

### CONTACT PG&E

If you have questions about PG&E's filing, please contact PG&E at **1-800-743-5000**. For TTY, call **1-800-652-4712**.

If you would like a copy of the filing and exhibits, please write to the address below:

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If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at:

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Please reference **PG&E's 2023 WMCE (A.23-12-001)** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.