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## **NOTICE OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO INCREASE RATES FOR ITS DCPD EMPLOYEE RETENTION APPLICATION (A.23-10-009)**

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

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

**CPUC:** California Public Utilities Commission

**DCPD:** Diablo Canyon Power Plant

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

On October 9, 2023, PG&E filed its DCPD Employee Retention application with the CPUC to retain qualified personnel through the end of the period of extended operations in 2030, as determined by the California Legislature. The previous employee retention program expired on August 31, 2023. The proposals included in this application are to continue the employee retention program needed to safely and reliably operate DCPD.

In this application, PG&E is proposing program costs of \$407 million to be collected over a seven-year period from 2025 through 2031, ranging from \$17.5 million to \$59.6 million each year.

The program costs will impact customer rates in the future. However, in this application, PG&E is only seeking CPUC approval to continue the retention program and is not seeking approval of a revenue requirement or impact to customer rates. The impact to customer rates will be addressed in a separate application filed in 2024 and more information will be provided to customers when it is available.

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

Senate Bill 846 was signed into law in September 2022, providing a path to extend DCPD operations beyond the current operating licenses, which are set to expire in 2024 and 2025. Included in the legislation was the order that the Commission continue to fund an employee retention program in rates that will secure adequate staffing until the end of operations.

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

After current operating licenses expire, DCPD will be used to support California statewide electric reliability demands. As such, the proposals included in this application will be included in rates for all load serving entities in California, including customers in the service territory of Bear Valley Electric Service Inc., Liberty Utility (CalPeco Electric) LLC, PacifiCorp, Southern California Edison Company and San Diego Gas & Electric Company.

The CPUC will open a new proceeding for all California electric utilities to address the impact to rates. More information will be provided to customers when it is available.

## 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** or visit **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 an electronic copy of the filing and exhibits, please write to the address below:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
DCPP Employee Retention Application (A.23-10-009)  
P.O. Box 1018  
Oakland, CA 94604-1018

### CONTACT CPUC

Please visit **apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2310009** to submit a comment about this proceeding on the CPUC Docket Card. Here you can also view documents and other public comments related to this proceeding. Your participation by providing your thoughts on PG&E's request can help the CPUC make an informed decision.

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

**Email:** **Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov**

**Mail:** CPUC Public Advisor's Office  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

**Call:** **1-866-849-8390** (toll-free) or **1-415-703-2074**

Please reference the **DCPP Employee Retention Application A.23-10-009** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.