50-215 323 JAMES L. LOPES (No. 63678) 1 JEFFREY L. SCHAFFER (No. 91404) GARY M. KAPLAN (No. 155530) 2 HOWARD, RICE, NÈMEROVSKI, CANADY, FALK & RABKIN 3 A Professional Corporation Three Embarcadero Center, 7th Floor 4 San Francisco, California 94111-4065 415/434-1600 5 Telephone: 415/217-5910 Facsimile: 6 Attorneys for Debtor and Debtor in Possession 7 PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY 8 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT 9 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION 11 12 Case No. 01-30923 DM In re 13 HOWARD Chapter 11 PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation, **HEARING** Debtor. AProfessional Componation 15 February 26, 2002 Date: 9:30 a.m. Time: 16 235 Pine Street, 22nd Floor Place: Federal I.D. No. 94-0742640 San Francisco, California 17 18 19 DECLARATION OF KENT HARVEY IN SUPPORT OF DEBTOR'S MOTION FOR ORDER MODIFYING STIPULATION: (I) AUTHORIZING 20 USE OF CASH COLLATERAL PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 363 AND BANKRUPTCY RULE 4001 AND (II) GRANTING ADEQUATE 21 PROTECTION PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §§ 361 AND 363 22 23 I, Kent Harvey, declare as follows: 24 I am the chief financial officer of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, the debtor 25 and debtor in possession in the above-captioned Chapter 11 case (the "Debtor" or "PG&E"). 26 This Declaration is based on my personal knowledge of the Debtor's operations and 27 financial position. If called as a witness, I could and would testify competently to the facts 28

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I make this declaration in support of the Debtor's Motion for Order Modifying Stipulation: (I) Authorizing Use of Cash Collateral Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363 and Bankruptcy Rule 4001 and (II) Granting Adequate Protection Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 361 and 363 (the "Motion"). The Motion seeks approval of a certain proposed modification to the Stipulation: (I) Authorizing and Restricting Use of Cash Collateral Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363 and Bankruptcy Rule 4001 and (II) Granting Adequate Protection Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 361 and 363 (the "Stipulation") between PG&E and BNY Western Trust Company, as successor trustee (the "Indenture Trustee") pursuant to that certain indenture dated December 1, 1920 with respect to certain mortgage bonds issued by the Debtor (the "Bonds"), which has been supplemented by fourteen supplemental indentures (collectively, the "Indenture"). In particular, the proposed modification would provide for the timely payment by PG&E of the principal amount of the Bonds (1992 Series A) scheduled to mature on March 1, 2002, in the approximate amount of \$333 million. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct "blacklined" copy of the revised Stipulation, reflecting the proposed revisions thereto (in paragraph 21).2

On or about May 9, 2001, this Court issued its order approving PG&E's entry 3. into and performance under the Stipulation (the "Order Approving Stipulation"). The Stipulation provides for PG&E's continued use of cash collateral in which the Indenture Trustee has an interest (on behalf of the holders of the Bonds) pursuant to certain conditions and restrictions. Among other things, the Stipulation provides for the timely payment of interest and sinking fund payments as provided under the Indenture. The annual amount of

¹ The current amount outstanding of the 1992 Series A Bonds is approximately \$340 million. Approximately \$7 million of these Bonds that are held in treasury by PG&E will be satisfied by a sinking fund payment scheduled to be made on February 1, 2002.

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² Exhibit 1 is not attached to the service copies of this Declaration. You may obtain copies of such documents through the "Pacific Gas & Electric Company Chapter 11 Case" link accessible through the Bankruptcy Court's website (www.canb.uscourts.gov), or by written request by mail to Howard, Rice, Nemerovski, Canady, Falk & Rabkin, Attn: Jerome Ferrer, Three Embarcadero Center, 7th Floor, San Francisco, California 94111-4065, or by e-mail request to jferrer@hrice.com.

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interest and sinking fund payments currently accruing on the Bonds is approximately \$300 million.

- 4. To the best of my knowledge, PG&E and the Indenture Trustee have continued to perform their respective obligations under the Stipulation since the entry of the Order Approving Stipulation.
- 5. I am informed and believe that PG&E's obligations under the Indenture are substantially oversecured. The total unpaid indebtedness under the Bonds is approximately \$3.7 billion. Such indebtedness is secured by a first-priority lien on substantially all of PG&E's assets. PG&E reported total assets of approximately \$25 billion as of November 30 2001 on its most recently filed Operating Report.
- 6. The 1992 Series A Bonds, which are scheduled to mature on March 1, 2002, accrue interest at 7.875% per annum. If PG&E is authorized to make the March 2002 principal payment on the Bonds, it expects to do so using cash currently held by the estate. As reported on PG&E's most recent Operating Report, PG&E had a cash balance of approximately \$4.9 billion as of November 30, 2001. In my opinion, such payment will benefit the estate financially because the Bonds accrue interest at a rate significantly in excess of the rates currently being earned by PG&E on its cash balances. By contrast, if PG&E fails to timely make the March 2002 principal payment, it risks being in default under the Indenture, and the negative consequences that may flow from such a default (e.g., the potential acceleration of all series of the Bonds).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America and the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this __ day of February, 2002 at San Francisco, California.

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