1 Donald K. Dankner (No. 0186536) Thomas F. Blakemore (No. 03121566) 2 Stacy D. Justic (No. 6277752) WINSTON & STRAWN LLP 3 35 West Wacker Dr. 50.2323 Chicago, IL 60601 4 Phone: 312-558-5600 5 Facsimile: 312-558-5700 Counsel to Debtor and Debtor in Possession 6 7 8 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT 9 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION 11 In re Case No. 01-30923 DM 12 PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC Chapter 11 Case 13 COMPANY, a California corporation, [No Hearing Scheduled] 14 Debtor. 15 Federal I.D. No. 94-0742640 16 WINSTON & STRAWN LLP'S COVER SHEET APPLICATION FOR 17 ALLOWANCE AND PAYMENT OF INTERIM COMPENSATION 18 AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 1, 2004 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2004 19 Winston & Strawn LLP (the "Firm") submits its Cover Sheet Application (the 20 "Application") for Allowance and Payment of Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of 21 22 Expenses for the Period of March 1, 2004 through March 31, 2004 (the "Application Period"). 23 In support of the Application, the Firm respectfully represents as follows: 24 1. Pursuant to the Amendment to the Amended Application for Authority to 25 Employ and to continue the Employment of Special Counsel dated as of September 13, 2001, the 26 Firm is counsel to the above-captioned debtor and debtor in possession (the "Debtor") and 27

employed under section 327(e) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 101 et seq. (the "Code").

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2. Pursuant to the Order Establishing Interim Fee Application and Expense Reimbursement Procedure entered on July 26, 2001 (the "Fee Order"), the Firm hereby applies to the Court for allowance and payment of interim compensation for services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred during the Application Period.

3. The Firm billed a total of \$32,193.50 in fees and expenses during the Application Period. The total fees represent 144.55 hours expended during the Application Period. These fees and expenses break down as follows:

| Period                   | Fees        | Expenses   | Total       |
|--------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| March 1 - March 31, 2004 | \$32,193.50 | \$3,824.72 | \$36,018.22 |

4. Accordingly, the Firm seeks allowance of interim compensation in the total amount of \$31,189.20 at this time. This total is comprised as follows: \$27,364.48 (85% of the fees for services rendered)<sup>1</sup> plus \$3,824.72 (100% of the expenses incurred).

- 5. Pursuant to the Stipulation and Order Regarding Employment of Winston & Strawn as Special Counsel to the Debtor in Possession dated September 24, 2001 (the "Stipulation"), the Firm's reimbursement for all fees and expenses incurred by the Firm as special counsel to Debtor through July 31, 2001, is governed by the Order entered on August 16, 2001, approving the Amended Application for Authority to Employ and Continue the Employment of Special Counsel (the "Omnibus Order"). Pursuant to the Stipulation and Omnibus Order, the Firm has not and will not submit Applications for fees and expenses incurred through July 31, 2001.
- 6. To date, the Firm has submitted invoices for the following post-petition services directly to the debtor:

Payment of this amount would result in a "holdback" of \$4,829.02.

| Application Period            | Amount Due   | Amount Paid  | Amount Outstanding \$0.00   |  |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--|
| June 1, 2001-June 30, 2001    | \$117,735.06 | \$117,494.31 |                             |  |
| July 1, 2001-July 31,<br>2001 | \$169,199.53 | \$169,197.43 | \$0.00                      |  |
| 7. To                         | ·            | •            | or the June 1, 2001 through |  |

- the Firm is governed by the Fee Order and must file monthly fee applications ("Cover Sheet Applications") and quarterly fee applications ("Interim Fee Applications") with the Court
- date by W&S, including this Cover Sheet Application; (b) the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Interim Applications submitted to date by W&S; (c) for the fees and expenses incurred by the Firm after July 31, 2001, the amounts incurred and the amounts paid to W&S by the Debtor to date; (d) W&S's voluntary and Court ordered reductions in compensation sought from the Debtor as part of the First Interim Application; and (e) the total amount owed by the

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|--------|---|----------------|--------------|---------------------|--|-------------------|
| 2      | Application Period  | 85% Fees       | Expenses     | 15% Fee             | Amount Paid                            | Total Amount      |
| 3      |   |                |              | Holdback            |  | Owed <sup>2</sup> |
| 4      | August 1 - November<br>30, 2001 Interim<br>Application Period | \$881,496.65   | \$71,206.39  | \$155,558.23        | \$1,108,261.28                         | \$0.00            |
| 5<br>6 | December 1, 2001 -<br>March 31, 2002<br>Interim Application   | \$598,974.22   | \$61,140.86  | \$105,701.34        | \$765,816.41                           | \$0.00            |
| ľ      | Period  |                |              |                     |  | ļ                 |
| 7      | April 1, 2002 - July 31, 2002 Interim                         | \$400,790.65   | \$25,688.92  | \$70,724.75         | <b>\$</b> 497,204.33                   | \$0.00            |
| 8      | Application Period  |                |              |                     |  |                   |
| 9      | August 1, 2002 -<br>November 30, 2002<br>Interim Application  | \$421,593.39   | \$35,004.03  | \$74,398.87         | \$530,996.29                           | \$0.00            |
| 10     | Period  |                |              |                     |  |                   |
| 11     | December 1, 2002 -<br>March 31, 2003                          | \$412,591.79   | \$31,681.44  | \$72,810.31         | <b>\$</b> 51 <b>7</b> ,083. <b>5</b> 4 | \$0.00            |
| 12     | Interim Application Period                                    |                |              | ſ                   |  |                   |
| 13     | April 1, 2003-July<br>31, 2003 Interim<br>Application Period  | \$223,720.47   | \$22 102 11  | <b>\$</b> 39,480.08 | \$285,302.66                           | \$0.00            |
| 14     | August 1, 2003-   | \$223,720.47   | \$22,102.11  | \$39,480.08         | \$283,302.00                           | \$0.00            |
| 15     | November 30, 2003<br>Interim Application                      |                |              |                     | ***                                    |                   |
| 16     | Period December 1, 2003-                                      | \$58,434.65    | \$13,945.06  | \$10,312.00         | \$82,691.71                            | \$0.00            |
| 17     | December 31, 2003   | \$9,379.54     | \$814.57     | \$1,655.21          | \$10,194.12                            | \$1,655.20        |
|        | January 1, 2004 -<br>January 31, 2004                         | \$15,942.26    | \$1,463.34   | \$2,813.34          | \$17,405.61                            | \$2,813.33        |
| 18     | February 1, 2004 -  |                |              |                     |  |                   |
| 19     | February 29, 2004<br>March 1, 2004-                           | \$4,868.38     | \$376.24     | \$859.12            | \$0.00                                 | \$6,103.74        |
|        | March 1, 2004-<br>March 31, 2004                              | \$27,364.48    | \$3,824.72   | \$4,829.02          | \$0.00                                 | \$36,018.22       |
| 20     | Total   | \$3,055,156.48 | \$267,247.68 | \$539,142.27        | \$3,814,955.95                         | \$46,590.49       |

Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee"), reorganization counsel for the Debtor and the Office of the United States Trustee, (a) attached as Exhibit 1 hereto is the name of each professional who performed services in connection with this case during the period covered by this Application and the hourly rate for each such professional; and (b) attached as Exhibit 2 are the detailed time and expense statements for the Application Period that comply

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Total Amount Owed includes the 15% holdback.

with all Northern District of California Bankruptcy Local Rules and Compensation Guidelines and the Guidelines of the Office of the United States Trustee.

- 11. The Firm has served a copy of this Application (without Exhibits) on the Special Notice List in this case.
- 12. Pursuant to this Court's Fee Order, the Debtor is authorized to make the payment requested herein without a further hearing or order of this Court unless an objection to this Application is filed with the Court by the Debtor, the Committee or the United States Trustee and served by the fifteenth day of the month following the service of this Application. If such an objection is filed, Debtor is authorized to pay the amounts, if any, not subject to the objection. The Firm is informed and believes that this Cover Sheet Application was mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, on or about April 29, 2004.
- 13. The interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses sought in this Application is on account and is not final. Upon the conclusion of this case, the Firm will seek fees and reimbursement of the expenses incurred for the totality of the services rendered in the case. Any interim fees or reimbursement of expenses approved by this Court and received by the Firm will be credited against such final fees and expenses as may be allowed by this Court.
- 14. The Firm represents and warrants that its billing practices comply with all Northern District of California Bankruptcy Local Rules and Compensation Guidelines and the Guidelines of the Office of the United States Trustee. Neither the Firm nor any members of the Firm has any agreement or understanding of any kind or nature to divide, pay over or share any portion of the fees or expenses to be awarded to the Firm with any other person or attorney except as among the members and associates of the Firm.

WHEREFORE, the Firm respectfully requests that the Debtor pay compensation

to the Firm as requested herein pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Fee Order.

Dated: April 29, 2004

WINSTON & STRAWN LLP

One of its Attorneys
327(e) Counsel to Debtors and
Debtors in Possession

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Paige D. Stepan, certify that on or about April 29, 2004 I caused a copy of the attached Cover Sheet Application For Allowance And Payment Of Interim Compensation And Reimbursement Of Expenses For The Period March 1, 2004 through March 31, 2004 to be served upon the United States Trustee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E"), the debtor and debtor in possession, reorganization counsel for PG&E, and counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the PG&E bankruptcy case, at the following addresses, via overnight Federal Express or U.S. Mail delivery, as indicated:

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