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In the Matter of
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
(Diablo Canyon Power Plant, Units 1 and 2)
Docket Nos. 50-275-LR and 50-323-LR

RE: Projected Schedule for Completion of the Safety and Environmental Evaluations

Dear Administrative Judges:

Pursuant to the Board's Order of August 5, 2010 (Scheduling Initial Scheduling Conference), this letter informs the Board of the NRC Staff's best estimate of the projected schedule for completion of the safety and environmental evaluations, including an estimate of the issuance of the final safety evaluation report (SER), the draft and final environmental impact statements (EIS), the date that the Staff anticipates it will issue the final SER, and the expected date of submission to the ACRS. The projected schedule is in the form of a table and is attached to this submission. The projected dates are the Staff's current best estimate of the milestones and, as result of additional data that may become available and additional analysis that may be required, are subject to change. Additionally, the draft SEIS and final SEIS activities are subject to change and dependent on the Commission's waiver decision or the Commission decision on any pending appeals regarding the environmental contentions. Accordingly, the Staff will update the schedule and inform the parties as necessary.

Sincerely,

Signed (electronically) by

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE COMMISSION

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(Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2))	ASLBP No. 10-900-01-LR-BD01

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Letter regarding Projected Schedule for Completion of the Safety and Environmental Evaluations, dated August 18, 2010, have been served upon the following by the Electronic Information Exchange, this 18th day of August, 2010:

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Diablo Canyon License Renewal Projected Milestone Schedule	Projected Date
Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS) ¹	10/15/10
Publish FRN - draft SEIS available for comments	10/22/10
Public Meeting - draft SEIS meeting	12/02/10
Issue safety evaluation report (SER) with open items/Submit SER with open items to ACRS	12/10/10
End of draft SEIS comment period	01/05/11
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Subcommittee meeting	02/2011
Issue final SER/Submit final SER to ACRS	05/23/11
ACRS Full Committee meeting	07/2011
Issue final SEIS	08/12/11
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency FRN Published - availability of final SEIS	08/19/11

¹ Draft SEIS and final SEIS activities are subject to change and dependent on the Commission's waiver decision or Commission decision on any pending appeals regarding the environmental contentions.