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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 extension of the schedule for the Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2 license renewal environmental review. The Staff had planned to issue the draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (draft SEIS) on October 15, 2010, but now will issue it by February 18, 2011. The public meeting to receive comments on the draft SEIS will now occur in March, 2011, and the final SEIS issuance date will be extended to October 21, 2011. This schedule modification is a result of delays of other environmental reviews that have affected the Staff's availability. Additionally, the draft SEIS and final SEIS activities are still 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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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Letter regarding Projected Schedule for Completion of the Safety and Environmental Evaluations, dated October 15, 2010, have been served upon the following by the Electronic Information Exchange, this 15th day of October, 2010:

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