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## Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal Attachment

**Project Title:** Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) Long-Term North Central Region Incidental Take Permit (ITP) and Master Streambed Alteration Agreement (MSAA).

**Project Location (Counties):** Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, El Dorado, Glenn, Lake, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento (east of Interstate (I)-5), Sierra, Sutter, Yolo (north of I-80), and Yuba counties. Only portions of the following counties are included because the Permit Area aligns with PG&E's Multiple Region Operation & Maintenance Habitat Conservation Plan boundary: Plumas, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, and El Dorado.

**Project Description:** The Proposed Project involves O&M activities within CDFW Region 2, which encompasses approximately 35,000 miles of combined natural gas and electric facilities. The gas transmission system consists of gas distribution pipelines and ROWs extending from 5 feet to 150 feet wide. The electric transmission system consists of transmission lines supported by lattice towers or poles, substations, and ROWs that vary in width. The proposed Covered O&M Activities include specific outlined O&M activities for both natural gas and electric facilities, as follows:

- **Maintenance tasks associated with Covered O&M Activities for both natural gas and electric facility O&M:** Activities include those related to Proposed Project road access; staging large vehicles, equipment, or materials; clearing vegetation and/or obstacles to safely conduct maintenance or construction; grading to create flat working surfaces for large Covered O&M Activities; erosion control to observe best management practices; trenching and excavating; crossing; cleanup and restoration; incidental vegetation removal necessary to complete Covered O&M Activities; and emergency work.
- **Natural Gas Covered O&M Activities:** Activities include repair, replacement and maintenance, protective measures, and upgrades to pipelines and associated facilities.
- **Electric System Covered O&M Activities:** Activities include replacement, repair, and maintenance of electric towers and poles, access boardwalks, and equipment; line reconductoring; and upgrades or expansions to facilities.
- **Other Covered O&M Activities:** Activities include those associated with biological monitoring, surveying, and handling, and management of land purchased or conserved for mitigation.

In general, routine Covered O&M Activities would result in temporary disturbance in areas already previously disturbed, such as along existing ROWs and existing access roads. The majority of the Covered O&M Activities in the Permit Area would result in temporary and short-term impacts to expose the natural gas and/or electric facilities for inspection or repair, or to access a given facility. The Covered O&M Activities proposed would not result in large new permanent disturbance areas.

O&M activities have been conducted for the pipeline and electric systems for decades and PG&E expects the same Covered O&M Activities would continue at a similar frequency. Therefore, the type, number, and frequency of ongoing Covered O&M Activities would continue to be a part of the baseline conditions in the Permit Area. The amount of ground disturbance would vary each year depending on the type and number of Covered O&M Activities scheduled.

PG&E would perform all Covered O&M Activities in accordance with federal, state, and local environmental, safety, and construction regulations and standards. Where applicable, PG&E would also conduct the work in accordance with landowner agreements.

As previously discussed, PG&E intends to develop a MSAA in partnership with the CDFW for certain Covered O&M Activities that may occur within the bed, bank, or channel of rivers, streams, or lakes to ensure compliance with the CDFW's LSA Program and California Fish and Game Code Section 1602. PG&E

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is including a subset of Covered O&M Activities in the MSAA that may necessitate notification through CDFW's LSA Program when those activities have the potential to result in impacts to CDFW-jurisdictional waters.

The Covered O&M Activities proposed for inclusion in the MSAA include:

- the gas and electric access road maintenance program;
- gas and electric temporary crossings for access;
- the vegetation management/maintenance program;
- erosion control solutions; and
- certain gas and electric O&M activities as described herein.