

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric
Company (U39E) for Approval and Recovery
of Oakland Clean Energy Initiative Preferred
Portfolio Procurement Costs.

Application 20-04-013
(Filed April 15, 2020)

**MOTION FOR PARTY STATUS OF
THE CALIFORNIA INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR CORPORATION**

Pursuant to Rules 1.4(a) and 11.1 of the California Public Utilities Commission’s (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) hereby moves for party status in this proceeding.

The CAISO is a California not-for-profit, public benefit corporation charged with reliably planning and operating the high-voltage transmission system for the vast majority of California, and operating the corresponding energy market. The CAISO has been an active participant in many Commission proceedings, including proceedings regarding transmission and resource requirements in local capacity areas. In the present application, Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) seeks Commission approval to procure a portfolio of energy storage resources and to recover costs associated with those resources. These resources are collectively the Oakland Clean Energy Initiative (OCEI) Preferred Portfolio Procurement (PPP). The CAISO approved transmission infrastructure related elements of the OCEI in its transmission planning process, with the understanding that the PPP elements of the OCEI would need to obtain Commission approval.

The July 14, 2020 Assigned Commissioner’s Scoping Memo and Ruling (Ruling), directed parties to address whether “the portfolio of projects proposed by PG&E meet the local sub area reliability need in the areas served by the Oakland C and Oakland L substations, effectively addressing the need identified by the [CAISO].” As the entity that identified the need for the OCEI, the CAISO has unique insight regarding this question and other issues related to reliability needs in the local area. The CAISO respectfully requests party status in this proceeding and plans to participate in upcoming settlement discussions and, if necessary, the briefing phase of this proceeding.

For the purpose of receipt of all correspondence, pleadings, orders, and notices in this proceeding, the CAISO respectfully requests that the following CAISO representative be placed on the Commission's official service list as an active "party" participant:

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For the reasons stated above, the CAISO asks that the Commission grant its motion for party status.

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