

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

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Approval of 2013 – 2014 Statewide Marketing, Education, and Outreach Program and Budget (U39M)	Application 12-08-007 (filed August 3, 2012)
And Related Matters	Application 12-08-008 Application 12-08-009 Application 12-08-010 (Filed August 3, 2012)

**NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION OF THE
CALIFORNIA INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR CORPORATION**

The California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO) files this notice of ex parte communication in this proceeding in accordance with Rule 8.4 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure.

On February 21, 2013, Stephanie McCorkle, Director of Communications at the ISO, attended a telephone call with representatives of state energy agencies to discuss reliability planning for the summer of 2013. Representatives from the California Public Utilities Commission included Carol Brown, Chief of Staff to President Michael Peevey, Matthew Tisdale, Advisor to Commissioner Michael Florio and Colette Kersten, Advisor to Commissioner Catherine Sandoval.

The call occurred at 3:00 p.m. and lasted approximately one hour. During the telephone call, the ISO expressed its concern that the proposed funding amount for the

Flex Alert program in 2013 is inadequate, especially in light of the potential that the Southern California may be facing another summer with outages at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. The ISO explained that Flex Alert program has historically served as an important operational tool when energy supplies are scarce and recommended that Flex Alert program funding levels remain at least consistent with those of prior years.

Respectfully submitted,

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