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NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Ms. Jordan,

Pursuant to Government Code § 15475.1, the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety) has completed a compliance assessment of PG&E and determined the existence of one or more violations. In accordance with Government Code § 15475.2 and the California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 17 § 29302(b)(2), noncompliance with an approved wildfire mitigation plan (WMP) or any law, regulation, or guideline within Energy Safety's authority is considered a violation.

On June 1, 2021, PG&E submitted a letter where it self-reported missed installation targets of weather stations and high-definition cameras (June 1st Letter). PG&E reported installing 378 weather stations in 2020, against a target of 400 in its 2020 WMP. In its 2021 WMP Update, PG&E incorrectly reported that 404 weather stations had been installed in 2020. This discrepancy in reported weather station installations was due to PG&E counting weather stations installed in 2019 which exceeded its 2019 WMP target as being installed in 2020.

Energy Safety staff reviewed PG&E's June 1st Letter and discovered the following violation:



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1. PG&E’s 2020 WMP set a target of 400 weather station installations in 2020.¹ PG&E missed the target of 400 weathers station installations and only installed 378 in 2020. Energy Safety finds that this violation has a risk category of Minor.

In accordance with the Energy Safety Compliance Process, outlined in Table 1 below are the correction timelines for identified violations relative to their risk category. Within 30 days from the issuance date of this notice of violation (NOV), January 24, 2022, advise Energy Safety of corrective actions taken or planned by PG&E to remedy the above identified violation(s) and prevent recurrence. This response shall be filed on the Energy Safety e-Filing system under the 2021-NOV docket and the associated file name(s) must begin with the NOV identification number provided above.

Table 1 Energy Safety Violation Correction Timeline by Risk Category

Risk Category	Violation and defect correction timeline
Severe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immediate resolution
Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 months (in HFTD Tier 3) • 6 months (in HFTD Tier 2) • 6 months (if relevant to worker safety; not in HFTD Tier 3)
Minor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months or resolution scheduled in WMP update

Pursuant to Government Code § 15475.4(b), this NOV is served electronically, and PG&E may request a hearing to take public comment or present additional information. Per statute, the deadline to request a hearing is within 30 days from the issuance date of this NOV – January 24, 2022. If a petition for hearing is not received by the deadline, then the determination and conditions set forth in this NOV become final.

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code § 8389(g), following receipt of PG&E’s response to this NOV and resolution of any disputes, this matter will be referred to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for its consideration of potential enforcement action, as the CPUC deems appropriate.

¹ PG&E’s 2020 WMP, Table 1 Summary of 2019 and 2020 Wildfire Mitigation Activities, Section 2.A Situational Awareness, 2020 Targets



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Koko Tomassian".

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