PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY Wildfire Mitigation Plans Discovery 2023-2025 Data Response

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SUBJECT: REGARDING PG&E'S QUARTERLY TARGETS FOR ROUTINE PATROL

QUESTION 002

In PG&E's 2025 WMP Update, PG&E sets quarterly targets for Routine Patrol – Distribution (VM-16); 2023 and 2024 targets are included for reference:

PG&E'S ROUTINE PATROL TARGETS BY YEAR IN CIRCUIT MILES¹

Year	End of Q2	End of Q3	End of Year
2023	41,761	61,806	79,000
2024	39,325	58,988	78,650
2025	31,280	50,830	78,200
% ∆ 2023-2025	-28.7%	-19.5%	-1%

While PG&E's end of year target has remained relatively constant from 2023 to 2025, the end of Q2 and end of Q3 targets have decreased year-over-year.

- a. Why have PG&E's end of Q2 and end of Q3 targets for routine patrol decreased year-over year since 2023?
- b. What percentage of PG&E's end of Q2 and end of Q3 2025 targets will be completed within the HFTD?
- c. How will PG&E ensure that the HFTD and other high fire risk areas are inspected in a timely manner to mitigate wildfire risk before and during wildfire season?

ANSWER 002

a. The targets were reduced in Q2 and Q3 in subsequent years to provide the operations team with greater flexibility during the course of the year. PG&E anticipated slowdowns due to the change in software platform, incorporating other

^{1 &}lt;u>PG&E's 2023-2025 WMP</u> (Rev. #5, Redlined), page 625 (<u>https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/eFiling/Getfile.aspx?fileid=56403&shareable=true</u>, accessed April 17, 2024).

planned vegetation program inspections into the routine patrol where possible, and changes to other VM programs that would impact our routine work. The weather and other external factors can also cause delays in the inspection schedule.

- b. Approximately 50% of the Q2 end mileage is located in HFTD, and approximately 45% of the Q3 end mileage is located in HFTD.
- c. PG&E has designed its program through the routine and second patrols to patrol the entire HFTD/HFRA portions of the system twice a year. Once in the first half and once in the second half. Or, in other words, once in the routine patrol and once in the second patrol.