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1. Executive Summary

This document sets forth the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety's (Energy Safety's) 10-Year Electrical Undergrounding Plan (EUP) Guidelines pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 8388.5.

1.1 Authority

Energy Safety has authority under Government Code section 15475.6 to “adopt guidelines setting forth the requirements, format, timing, and any other matters required to exercise its powers, perform its duties, and meet its responsibilities described in sections 326, 326.1, and 326.2 and Chapter 6 (commencing with section 8385) of Division 4.1 of the Public Utilities Code.”

1.2 Purpose and Scope

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 8388.5,¹ a Large Electrical Corporation can prepare and submit a 10-year plan for undergrounding electrical distribution infrastructure to Energy Safety for review and approval. The plan must satisfy the requirements of section 8388.5(d)(2) and contain all required components.

These EUP Guidelines (Guidelines) set forth substantive and procedural requirements for Large Electrical Corporations² to prepare and submit plans. The Guidelines apply to Large Electrical Corporations in the State of California.

¹ All statutory references are to the Public Utilities Code unless otherwise specified.

² Per statute, a Large Electrical Corporation refers to an electrical corporation with at least 250,000 customer accounts. Section 8388.5(b) limits participation in the program to these entities.

2. Technical Guidelines

2.1 Overview of Electrical Undergrounding Plan (EUP) Required Elements

The elements of the EUP are described in the following sections of these Guidelines:

- a. **Basic Information** on the Large Electrical Corporation, as described in Section 2.2 of these Guidelines.
- b. **Demonstration of Substantial Risk Reduction**, including a Plan Mitigation Objective³ and supporting Plan Tracking Objectives and targets, as described in Section 2.3 of these Guidelines.
- c. The **Project Acceptance Framework** that the Large Electrical Corporation will use to create the list of Undergrounding Projects included in the EUP and to maintain the list of Undergrounding Projects throughout the EUP 10-year period, as outlined in Section 2.4 of these Guidelines.
- d. **Project Timelines, Workforce Development Plan, Costs and Benefits, and Nonratepayer Funding Sources** that fulfill other statutory requirements, as described in Section 2.5 of these Guidelines.
- e. **EUP Progress Report 0**, which includes the initial list of Undergrounding Projects and required data reporting, as described in Section 2.6 of these Guidelines.
- f. Narrative description of the Large Electrical Corporation's **Risk Modeling Methodology** and decision-making metrics, as described in Section 2.7 of these Guidelines.
- g. **Reporting Metrics**, including Project-Level, Portfolio-Level, and System-Level reporting requirements, as described in Section 2.8 of these Guidelines.

2.2 Basic Information

The EUP must include basic information about the Large Electrical Corporation, including, but not limited to:

- a. The legal name of the Large Electrical Corporation.

³ "Plan Mitigation Objective" means the amount of change in risk (wildfire and reliability) that is necessary to meet the substantiality requirements of section 8388.5(d)(2). See Appendix A (Definitions) for a complete list of defined terms.

- b. The number of customer accounts to show qualification as a Large Electrical Corporation.
- c. A list of the persons responsible for preparing the EUP, including executive-level owner with overall responsibility; program owners with responsibility for specific components; and the primary contact for Energy Safety and stakeholder general questions. Include names, titles, areas of responsibility, and contact information.

2.3 Demonstration of Substantial Risk Reduction

Pursuant to section 8388.5(d)(2), the EUP can only be approved if it will (1) “substantially increase electrical reliability by reducing the use of public safety power shutoffs, enhanced powerline safety settings, deenergization events, and any other outage programs,” and (2) “substantially reduce the risk of wildfire.” To support this, the EUP must include the Plan Mitigation Objective, Plan Tracking Objectives, and other specific tracking objectives and targets as described below.

2.3.1 Plan Mitigation Objective

The Plan Mitigation Objective is the total amount of change in risk (wildfire and reliability) that is necessary to meet the requirement of section 8388.5(d)(2). This change in risk must account for only the reduction due to Undergrounding Projects (see Core Capabilities Section 2.7.5) and be measured on a *pro rata* basis.

The Large Electrical Corporation must set a Plan Mitigation Objective for the EUP and provide a supporting narrative and data in the EUP demonstrating how the EUP will achieve the Plan Mitigation Objective. In order to achieve the Plan Mitigation Objective, the Large Electrical Corporation will select projects (consisting of individual isolatable Circuit Segments) during the 10-year EUP.

The narrative must address the following:

- a. Explanation of the basis of the Plan Mitigation Objective.
- b. The source for the risk and reliability scores used to set the Plan Mitigation Objective.
- c. Minimum levels of Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk reduction as set forth in the Portfolio-Level Standards.
- d. Overview of the implementation approach for the EUP (e.g., to reduce risk on the highest risk Circuit Segments first, or to select the most feasible for Undergrounding first) and an explanation of how the implementation approach will achieve the Plan Mitigation Objective.
- e. An overview of how the Project Acceptance Framework, project timelines, plan for workforce development, nonratepayer funding, Progress Report 0, Risk Modeling,

- and Reporting Metrics all support the Plan Mitigation Objective (see Sections 2.4 – 2.8 of these Guidelines).
- f. A concise summary and clear presentation of the metrics and standards for the Portfolio of Undergrounding Projects and supporting Project-Level metrics. Instructions for developing and calculating these metrics are found in the Risk Modeling Section 2.7 of these Guidelines.
 - g. A summary of how Undergrounding Projects with multiple Subprojects (including any non-undergrounding Subprojects) will be reported and how the amount of risk reduced by these Undergrounding Projects will be allocated between the EUP Undergrounding Subprojects and non-undergrounding Subprojects as described in Section 2.7.5 of these Guidelines. In this section of the narrative, the Large Electrical Corporation must provide:
 - i. A description of how the Project-Level Standard is evaluated in a manner which includes the effects of both Undergrounding Subprojects and non-undergrounding Subprojects.
 - ii. A description of how Portfolio-Level metrics disaggregate the effects of non-undergrounding Subprojects for the measurement of the Plan Tracking Objectives and the Plan Mitigation Objective.
 - iii. A description of how System-Level metrics disaggregate the effects of non-undergrounding Subprojects and any system hardening work on non-Portfolio Circuits for the measurement of the Plan Tracking Objectives and the Plan Mitigation Objective.
 - h. Explanatory graphs and figures.
 - i. Specific citations to any other EUP content that supports the Plan Mitigation Objective.
 - j. A Target/Timeline Table with the following information about the timelines for completion, unit cost targets, mileage targets, anticipated start and end dates, risk reduction, and cost targets for each year of the EUP. Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk must be reported as described in Section 2.8.5.1. The information must be in table format in the EUP narrative and included as an Excel workbook.
 - i. Year of EUP;
 - ii. Dates for year of EUP;
 - iii. Underground mileage completion targets (per year and cumulative);
 - iv. Miles of overhead line deenergized;
 - v. Miles of Undergrounding in the Project Planning and Construction Phases;
 - vi. Unit cost targets for each year covered by the EUP;
 - vii. Risk reduction in instantaneous Ignition Risk for risk at year 10;

- viii. Cumulative Ignition Risk reduction⁴ anticipated at the end of the expected lifetime (defined as 55 years) of the infrastructure;
- ix. Increase in instantaneous Outage Program Risk reliability for risk at year 10; and
- x. Cumulative Outage Program Risk reduction⁵ anticipated at the at the end of the expected lifetime (defined as 55 years) of the infrastructure.

⁴ The cumulative Ignition Risk reduction is defined as the difference between the cumulative collective Ignition Risk and Baseline cumulative Ignition Risk, measured at the System-Level, as detailed in Section 2.7.3 of these Guidelines.

⁵ The cumulative Outage Program Risk reduction is defined as the difference between the cumulative collective Outage Program Risk and Baseline cumulative Outage Program Risk, measured at the System-Level, as detailed in Section 2.7.3 of these Guidelines.

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2.3.2 Plan Tracking Objectives

To track and evaluate progress toward the Plan Mitigation Objective, the EUP must also include specific Plan Tracking Objectives. The Plan Tracking Objectives will be used to assess how the Portfolio of projects develops over time and whether the Large Electrical Corporation is on track to meet the Plan Mitigation Objective. The Plan Tracking Objectives must consist of forward-looking, quantifiable measurements and objectives, measured at the Portfolio-Level and System-Level, that will be used to assess progress toward the Plan Mitigation Objective.

The list of Plan Tracking Objectives must:

- a. Be specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and timely outcomes for the EUP.
- b. Include annual and 5-year tracking objectives.
- c. Include tracking objectives based on total Overall Utility Risk Reduction.
- d. Include some tracking objectives based solely on Ignition Risk Reduction and some based solely on Outage Program Risk.
- e. Include tracking objectives measured by risk reduced per mile.
- f. Include tracking objectives measured in miles of overhead line deenergized.
- g. Include tracking objectives measured in number of projects that have completed Screens 3 and 4.

The Independent Monitor⁶ will use the Plan Tracking Objectives, and other EUP objectives to assess the Large Electrical Corporation's progress with implementation of its EUP. The Plan Tracking Objectives will be tracked in all Progress Reports pursuant to sections 8388.5(f)(3) and 8388.5(g).

The Plan Tracking Objectives are the Large Electrical Corporation's current forecast plan for meeting the Plan Mitigation Objective. Each Progress Report must use performance metrics to compare and update the Plan Tracking Objectives. The Progress Report must explain the reasons for any changes to the Plan Tracking Objectives.

The EUP must contain a narrative setting forth the process the Large Electrical Corporation will use to compare and update Plan Tracking Objectives in each Progress Report.

⁶ See Section 4.2 below for information on the Independent Monitor and additional guidelines related to compliance.

2.3.3 Risk Calculations for non-Undergrounding Subprojects

If the Undergrounding Project includes non-undergrounding Subprojects, the non-undergrounding work is counted as follows:

- a. **Project Threshold** (see Sections 2.4.3.2 and 2.7.5): for purposes of determining if the Circuit Segment meets a Project Threshold, use the risk score for the entire Circuit Segment (including any potential non-undergrounding Subprojects).
- b. **Plan Mitigation Objective and Plan Tracking Objectives** (see Sections 2.3.1, 2.3.2 and 2.7.5): for purposes of determining progress towards and compliance with the Plan Mitigation Objective and Plan Tracking Objectives, only use the risk reduction attributed to the Undergrounding Subprojects.
- c. **Comparative Metrics** (see Section 2.7.10): for purposes of comparative metrics, use the risk reduction for the entire Circuit Segment when determining whether the project meets the Project-Level Standard, but only apply the risk reduction attributed to the Undergrounding Subprojects towards the Plan Mitigation Objective.

2.3.4 Risk Calculations for Projects Extending Beyond a Confirmed Project Polygon

If the scope of a project changes to include sections outside of the Confirmed Project Polygon (see Sections 2.4.2.4 and C.4.2), risk for the project is counted as follows:

- a. **Expansion outside of a Confirmed Project Polygon:** in the event that a portion of another Circuit Segment outside of the Confirmed Project Polygon is added to a project, use the risk reduction for the full (expanded) project for determining the contribution towards the Plan Mitigation Objective and use only the work inside the original Confirmed Project Polygon for determining whether the project meets the Project-Level Standard (see Section 2.7.9.2).

2.3.5 Risk Calculations for Projects in Wildfire Rebuild Areas

If the Circuit Segment is in a Wildfire Rebuild Area (see Section 2.4.3.1), risk for the Circuit Segment is calculated as follows:

- a. **Project Threshold** (see Sections 2.4.3.2, 2.7.5 and Appendix C.1.10): The Pre-Wildfire distribution infrastructure and associated risk scores are used to determine if the Circuit Segment meets the Project Thresholds.

- b. **Screen 3 Comparisons** (see Sections 2.4.5 and 2.7.10): for purposes of the Screen 3 Comparative Metrics, the Pre-Wildfire distribution infrastructure and associated risk must be used as the comparison Baseline.
- c. **Plan Mitigation Objective and Plan Tracking Objectives** (see Sections 2.3.1, 2.3.2 and 2.7.5): the risk reduction from a Wildfire Rebuild Area Undergrounding Project is compared to Pre-Wildfire distribution infrastructure and associated risk scores for purposes of determining progress towards the Plan Mitigation Objective and Plan Tracking Objectives.

2.4 Project Acceptance Framework

Pursuant to section 8388.5(c)(2), the Large Electrical Corporation must identify Undergrounding Projects in its EUP. The Project Acceptance Framework is a multi-step process that the Large Electrical Corporation must establish and use to determine which Circuit Segments can be considered Undergrounding Projects, and, if undergrounded, will substantially increase electrical reliability⁷ and substantially reduce the risk of wildfire.

The Large Electrical Corporation must list all Circuit Segments⁸ in its service territory (the “All Circuit Segment List”), apply the Project Acceptance Framework to that list, and include the results in the EUP as described below. The Large Electrical Corporation must demonstrate that projects successfully passing through the Project Acceptance Framework contribute to achieving the Plan Mitigation Objective.

The Project Acceptance Framework has four screens:

Screen 1: Circuit Segment Eligibility

Screen 2: Project Information and Alternative Mitigation Comparison

Screen 3: Project Risk Analysis

Screen 4: Project Prioritization and Finalization

⁷ Increased reliability is measured through the reduction of the use of Public Safety Power Shutoffs, enhanced powerline safety settings, deenergization events, and any other outage programs, pursuant to section 8388.5(d)(2).

⁸ For purposes of these Guidelines, “Circuit Segment” means an isolatable circuit segment.

2.4.1 Project Progression Through Screens

The Project Acceptance Framework has a procedure for progressing a Circuit Segment through the four screens:

Screen 1 Procedure. The EUP must apply Screen 1 (Circuit Segment Eligibility) to all Tier 2 or 3 High Fire Threat District (HFTD) and non-HFTD Circuit Segments and any Wildfire Rebuild Areas at the time of EUP filing. The Large Electrical Corporation must identify any Wildfire Rebuild Areas using the procedure described by the Large Electrical Corporation pursuant to Section 2.4.3.1 below. Circuit Segments that are not located in a Wildfire Rebuild Area or a Tier 2 or 3 HFTD (“Out of Area Circuit Segments”) are eliminated in Screen 1. Each Circuit Segment that is located in a Wildfire Rebuild Area or a Tier 2 or 3 HFTD is then evaluated to determine if the Circuit Segment meets the risk score criteria for eligibility. In-Area Circuit Segments that meet the risk score criteria are “Eligible Circuit Segments” and proceed to Screen 2. In-Area Circuit Segments that do not meet the risk score criteria are “Ineligible Circuit Segments” and do not proceed to Screen 2.

Screen 2 Procedure. The EUP must apply Screen 2 (Project Information and Alternative Mitigation Comparison) to all Eligible Circuit Segments. Circuit Segments that pass Screen 2 are considered “Undergrounding Projects” and can proceed to Screen 3. These Undergrounding Projects constitute the list of Undergrounding Projects that must be identified in the EUP pursuant to section 8388.5(c)(2).

Screen 3 Procedure. The EUP must apply Screen 3 (Project Risk Analysis) to all Undergrounding Projects for which the Large Electrical Corporation has sufficient information. Projects that pass Screen 3 are reported as “Confirmed Projects.”

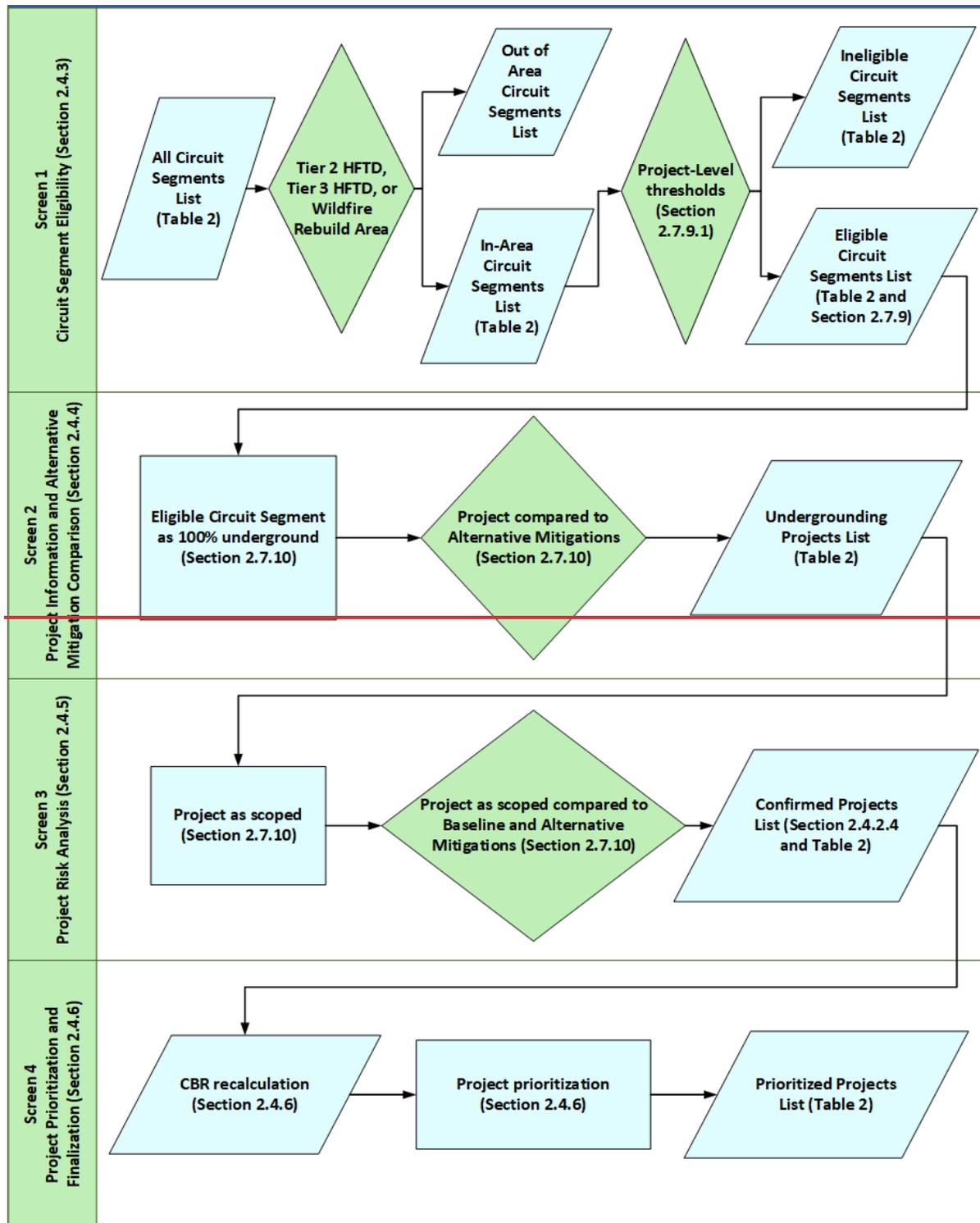
Screen 3 must be applied to a Portfolio of at least 25 individual Undergrounding Projects at the time of EUP filing.

Screen 4 Procedure. The EUP must apply Screen 4 (Project Prioritization and Finalization) to all Confirmed Projects at the time of EUP filing. Projects that pass Screen 4 are “Prioritized Projects.”

The Large Electrical Corporation must detail the implementation approach it will use for each screen. The general requirements of each screen, including the minimum data and information requirements, are further described in the Sections below.

Figure 1 provides a high-level overview of the Project Acceptance Framework process.

Figure 1. Project Acceptance Framework Flowchart



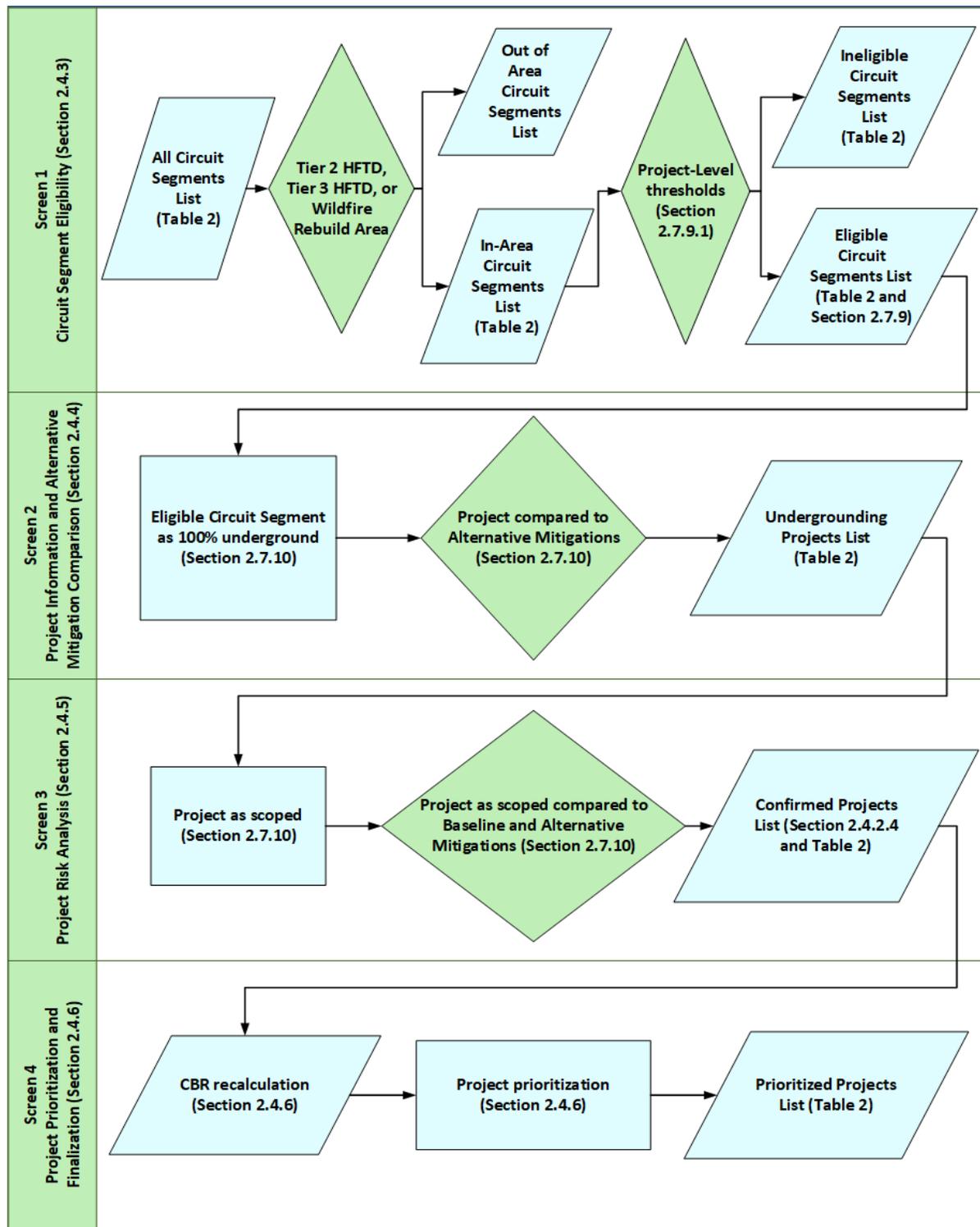


Figure 1 illustrates the Project Acceptance Framework process.

2.4.2 Incorporating Changes

2.4.2.1 Changes to Circuit Segment Information

After the EUP is filed, the Large Electrical Corporation must account for new information (such as project-specific information obtained through scoping and other project work), model version and calibration changes (such as those detailed in Section 2.7.5.2), and updates to HFTD maps or new Wildfire Rebuild Areas.

In each Progress Report, the list of Circuit Segments provided to Energy Safety, and associated risk scores, must be the same list and scores used at that time by the Large Electrical Corporation for risk modeling and decision-making. This list, at minimum, must include changes to risk scores through completion of Undergrounding Projects performed via the EUP, or any other wildfire mitigation activity.

-Additionally, risk scores for each Circuit Segment must be updated to account for modeled effects of application of the EUP and other wildfire mitigation/hardening, until such time as a model calibration or version update takes place and assigns new risk scores directly.

If any changes occur on a Circuit Segment before it has passed Screen 3, then Screen 1 and Screen 2 must be reapplied. This could result in Circuit Segments being added or removed from the EUP. The Out-of-Area Circuit Segment list, In-Area Circuit Segment list, Eligible Circuit Segment list, Ineligible Circuit Segment list, and the list of Undergrounding Projects must all be updated. Information in the Screen 2 comparison must also be updated.

The EUP narrative must describe the process the Large Electrical Corporation will use to update this information in Progress Reports.

2.4.2.2 Subprojects

During the scoping process, the Large Electrical Corporation may divide an Eligible Circuit Segment into one or more Subprojects. Subprojects may be created for operational reasons, such as differences in expected completion times of portions of the undergrounding work (referred to as Undergrounding Subprojects). Subprojects may also be created to reflect that a portion of the Circuit Segment will be treated with a different wildfire mitigation (referred to as a non-undergrounding Subproject). If a Circuit Segment does not have multiple Subprojects during the scoping process, then it should be reported as a single Subproject.

The EUP narrative must include a detailed description of the decision-making process the Large Electrical Corporation will use to determine when to divide a Circuit Segment into Subprojects. This narrative must include a list of possible reasons for division, with a detailed explanation of each.

2.4.2.3 Other Anticipated Changes

The Large Electrical Corporation must provide a narrative describing any other expected or known changes likely to occur and how those changes will be incorporated into the EUP.

2.4.2.4 Physical Changes to a Circuit Segment

The EUP must account for physical changes to a Circuit Segment such as relocating lines for operational reasons, the addition or removal of equipment that redefines the endpoints of a Circuit Segment, or changes in alignment due to undergrounding itself, among other factors. These changes are accounted for in three ways.

First, the Circuit Segments must be represented by unique identification names, which are unique both spatially and temporally, meaning a name cannot be reused for a “new” Circuit Segment. A Circuit Segment is considered “new” and requires a new Circuit Segment ID if equipment that defines the boundaries between Circuit Segments (e.g. circuit breakers and reclosers) are moved, removed, or added. See the introduction of Appendix C.1 for details.

Second, the evolution of Circuit Segments is tracked in the Circuit Segment Changelog table, linking the prior Circuit Segment ID to the new one (See Section C.1.7 of Appendix C).

Third, a Confirmed Project is defined by the boundaries of the Confirmed Project Polygon that encompasses the entire Circuit Segment on which the Undergrounding Project is defined. The Confirmed Project Polygon is fixed once the Circuit Segment becomes a Confirmed Project. Further details on the Confirmed Project Polygons are defined in Appendix C.4.2. Changes to proposed work on each Undergrounding Project do not need to be re-evaluated or passed through the screens again due to a physical change to the underlying Circuit Segment unless the work would take place outside the Confirmed Project Polygon, in which case additional justification will be required. Any Project or Subproject which has assets outside of the Confirmed Project Polygon must have a justification in the C.1.14 Subproject Table.

The EUP narrative must describe the process the Large Electrical Corporation will use to update this information in Progress Reports.

2.4.3 Screen 1: Circuit Segment Eligibility

Screen 1 (Circuit Segment Eligibility) is the procedure within the Project Acceptance Framework that identifies relevant Circuit Segments and creates the List of Eligible Circuit Segments.

2.4.3.1 Identification of Circuit Segments Inside and Outside of Tier 2 or 3 High Fire-Threat Districts and Wildfire Rebuild Areas

In Screen 1, the Large Electrical Corporation must identify all Circuit Segments in its service territory (All Circuit Segments) and specify which Circuit Segments are located in a Wildfire Rebuild Area or Tier 2 or 3 High Fire-Threat District (“In-Area Circuit Segments”). If a Circuit Segment has portions both within and outside of a Tier 2 or 3 HFTD, each span crossing the Tier 2 or 3 HFTD boundary and up to two adjacent spans outside of a Tier 2 or 3 HFTD may be considered for undergrounding.

For each Circuit Segment, the following risk scores must be reported: Overall Utility Risk Score; Ignition Consequence Score; and Outage Program Likelihood Score. Section 2.7.9 of these Guidelines details the requirements for these risk scores. Additionally, each Circuit Segment must be identified by location, indicating whether the Circuit Segment is in a Tier 2 or 3 High Fire-Threat District; in a Wildfire Rebuild Area; or not located in either a Tier 2 or 3 HFTD or a Wildfire Rebuild Area. Appendix C.1.6, Circuit Segment Identification Table, and C.1.8, Circuit Segment Risk Score Table, give instructions for the type of information required in Screen 1.

The EUP narrative must describe the process the Large Electrical Corporation will use to identify Wildfire Rebuild Areas and the corresponding affected Circuit Segments. The Large Electrical Corporation must include a narrative in the Progress Reports describing identified Wildfire Rebuild Areas and providing information on the wildfire date, time, location, affected Circuit Segments and facilities impacted. The narrative must indicate if any distribution infrastructure damaged in the wildfire has already been rebuilt. Only Circuit Segments that have been damaged by wildfire and have not previously been rebuilt are eligible.

The EUP must include the following information in the EUP narrative or an additional table:

- a. The total number of Circuit Segments within the Large Electrical Corporation service territory;
- b. The total number of Circuit Segments located within a Tier 2 or 3 HFTD;
- c. The total number of Circuit Segments located within a Wildfire Rebuild Area; and
- d. The total mileage of lines in all Circuit Segments in each of the above groups.

In the EUP narrative, the Large Electrical Corporation must create three lists of In-Area Circuit Segments sorted in descending order by:

- a. Overall Utility Risk Score;
- b. Ignition Consequence Score; and
- c. Outage Program Likelihood Score.

Each list should be shown as a table with only the top 20 highest scoring Circuit Segments, containing all three risk scores, the county where the Circuit Segment is located, and the Tier 2 or 3 HFTD Tier or Wildfire Rebuild Area that applies to the Circuit Segment.

2.4.3.2 Identification of Risky Circuit Segments and Mitigation Standards

Screen 1 (Circuit Segment Eligibility) ensures that the EUP limits eligibility to higher risk Circuit Segments.

In the description of the Project Acceptance Framework, the EUP must present Project-Level Thresholds that establish the need for risk mitigation. Additionally, the Large Electrical Corporation must present Project-Level Standards that define a successful mitigation. Additional information on the required Project-Level Thresholds and Standards is provided in Section 2.7.9 of these Guidelines. The Project-Level Thresholds and Standards to be applied to Circuit Segments are:

1. **Eligible Circuit Segment Thresholds:** the minimum risk score thresholds that will be used to identify Circuit Segments that are eligible for the 10-Year EUP. These thresholds are the High-Risk Threshold, Ignition Tail Risk Threshold, and High Frequency Outage Program Threshold. They are further detailed in 2.7.9.1. In-Area Circuit Segments that do not meet any of these thresholds are called Ineligible Circuit Segments.
2. **Mitigated Circuit Segment Standards:** the Project-Level risk score that an Eligible Circuit Segment must reach to be considered sufficiently mitigated under the terms of the EUP.⁹ These standards are the High-Risk Project Level Standard, the Ignition Tail Risk Project-Level Standard, and the High Frequency Outage Program Project-Level Standard. They are further detailed in 2.7.9.2.

After determining these Project-Level Thresholds and Standards, the Large Electrical Corporation must evaluate the list of In-Area Circuit Segments to determine eligibility and minimum mitigation needs.

The following must be included in the narrative portion of the EUP:

- a. The Project-Level Thresholds and Standards;
- b. The total number of In-Area Circuit Segments;
- c. The number of Eligible Circuit Segments, by category; and
- d. The number of In-Area Circuit Segments that are below the eligibility thresholds (Ineligible Circuit Segments).

⁹ A Mitigated Circuit Segment is an Eligible Circuit Segment that has been treated to mitigate risk to the required standard described in Section 2.7.9.2 (High Risk Project-Level Standard, High Frequency Outage Program Project-Level Standard, Tail Risk Project-Level Standard).

2.4.4 Screen 2: Project Information and Alternative Mitigation Comparison

Screen 2 (Project Information and Alternative Mitigation Comparison) confirms there is sufficient information available on a Circuit Segment and requires comparison of undergrounding to Alternative Mitigations in order to determine which Eligible Circuit Segments can be treated as Undergrounding Projects.

For Screen 2, the Large Electrical Corporation must conduct an analysis comparing undergrounding to Alternative Mitigations and provide the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Cost Benefit Ratio (CBR) and all information in the CPUC Data Appendix 1¹⁰ at the time the EUP is submitted to Energy Safety. The Alternative Mitigation Comparison must include a comparison of the project to at least two Alternative Mitigations as detailed in Section 2.7.10.

2.4.4.1 Common Set of Values and Assumptions

Screen 2 (Project Information and Alternative Mitigation Comparison) may use common values and assumptions to develop estimates for Circuit Segments when project-specific information is not available. Screen 2 includes calculation of risk and benefit scores; it applies to both undergrounding and Alternative Mitigations. The EUP must include a narrative summarizing the assumptions underlying the values and explaining the metrics used in Screen 2. This narrative summary must be clear, concise, and comprehensive. At a minimum, this summary must include:

- a. A description of the metrics required by the CPUC Guidelines for the SB 884 Program.
- b. Detailed description of mitigations that the Large Electrical Corporation will use for these comparisons. Explanation of why these Alternative Mitigations are being considered. Description of the process and criteria that the Large Electrical Corporation will use for determining the best Alternative Mitigations for individual project comparisons. Description of the process for identifying and evaluating new mitigation technologies through the life of the EUP. Description of processes and resources that will be used for deploying each Alternative Mitigation.
- c. Description of any assumptions for scope, cost, extent, and wildfire risk reduction and reliability improvements that are applicable to multiple Undergrounding Projects. These descriptions must be provided for all activities (undergrounding and Alternative Mitigations).

¹⁰ CPUC Resolution SPD-15 (March 7, 2024), SB 884 Program: CPUC Guidelines, Appendix 1: SB 884 Project List Data Requirements-Preliminary <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?docformat=ALL&docid=526984185>.

- d. Explanation of how the need for additional easements, permits, and CEQA review are accounted for in the assumptions for scope, cost, extent, and risk reduction and reliability improvements.

2.4.5 Screen 3: Project Risk Analysis

2.4.5.1 Screen 3 Procedure

Screen 3 (Project Risk Analysis) is the procedure for evaluating an individual Undergrounding Project in the context of the Portfolio of Undergrounding Projects and includes information obtained through the project development process. Screen 3 considers the expected wildfire risk reduction and reliability increase elements of the Plan Mitigation Objective of an Undergrounding Project and includes comparing risk metrics for undergrounding and Alternative Mitigations.

Screen 3 must be completed for each Undergrounding Project when the Large Electrical Corporation has sufficient information to fulfill the modeling requirements in Section 2.7 for that Undergrounding Project. Appendix C.1.12, Screen 3 Table, and C.1.15, Project Index Table, give instructions for the type of information required for Screen 3.

The EUP must contain a narrative detailing how the Large Electrical Corporation will use Screen 3 on individual Undergrounding Projects and describe the typical scoping process. The narrative must include the Screen 3 procedure for selecting Alternative Mitigations consistent with the instructions on Alternative Mitigation selection in Section 2.7.10. The narrative must include a description of how project-specific information will be incorporated into the selection of Alternative Mitigations. The narrative must include a description of how Baseline values will be determined per Section 2.7.5, Core Capability 6. The narrative must describe how the scoping process will be used to determine what portions of an Eligible Circuit Segment will be undergrounded.

For each Undergrounding Project with Subprojects, Appendix C.1.14, Subproject Table, requires the mitigation for each Subproject and a narrative with the reason for dividing the Circuit Segment into Subprojects (using the Subproject process required by Section 2.4.2.2).

An Undergrounding Project that has completed Screen 3 can proceed to Screen 4. Undergrounding Projects that have completed Screen 3 are reported as Confirmed Projects in Progress Reports.

2.4.5.2 Twenty-Five Undergrounding Project Requirement

The filed EUP must include a Portfolio of at least 25 individual Undergrounding Projects considered under Screen 3. This Portfolio must include:

- a. at least one Circuit with multiple Undergrounding Projects.
- b. at least three Undergrounding Projects with multiple Subprojects (if Subprojects will be part of the EUP).

- c. at least three Undergrounding Projects with non-undergrounding Subprojects (if non-undergrounding Subprojects will be part of the EUP).
- d. at least two Undergrounding Projects considered for the High Frequency Outage Program Threshold (if High Frequency Outage Program will be part of the EUP).
- e. at least two Undergrounding Projects considered for the Ignition Tail Risk Threshold (if Ignition Tail Risk will be part of the EUP).

Additionally, the Large Electrical Corporation must present, in a separate section, an analysis of at least one Undergrounding Project which the Large Electrical Corporation does not plan on undergrounding due to factors that are captured in the Screen 2 and Screen 3 analysis. This analysis must be presented with narrative description and associated numerical tables in Progress Report 0, named “Example Rejected ~~Portfolio~~.Project(s)”.

2.4.6 Screen 4: Project Prioritization and Finalization

Pursuant to section 8388.5(c)(2), the EUP must include a means of prioritizing Undergrounding Projects based on “wildfire risk reduction, public safety, cost efficiency, and reliability benefits.”

For Screen 4 (Project Prioritization and Finalization), the EUP must set forth a means of prioritization and its definition for each of the factors in section 8388.5(c)(2), i.e., wildfire risk reduction, public safety, cost efficiency and reliability benefits. If an Undergrounding Project is divided into Subprojects, the Large Electrical Corporation must consider the different completion times of Subprojects and the effect of staggered completion times, consistent with the timeline requirements in Section 2.7.5, Core Capabilities 4 and 5. Additionally, the costs, benefits, and CPUC CBR are calculated for the design variations that were used in Screen 3, including the “Screen 3 Alternative Mitigations,” the “Project as Scoped,” and the “Undergrounding as Scoped.” Appendix C.1.13, Screen 4 Table, gives instructions for the type of information required in Screen 4.

In the context of this project prioritization, the Large Electrical Corporation may define reliability benefits to include benefits not related to Outage Program Events. The EUP must describe how the factors will be applied to set priority for Confirmed Projects. The EUP must describe how the prioritization aligns with and supports the Plan Mitigation Objective. The EUP must include a narrative of the Large Electrical Corporation’s rationale and supporting data (e.g., KDMMs) for each definition and the means of prioritization included in Screen 4.

The EUP must include a list of Confirmed Projects with the Screen 4 prioritization applied.

2.4.7 Required Circuit Segment Information Lists

2.4.7.1 Instructions for Circuit Segment Information Lists

The Project Acceptance Framework uses a series of screens to evaluate Circuit Segments for the EUP.

As seen in Figure 1, *Project Acceptance Framework Flowchart* and described above, each screen requires the Large Electrical Corporation to create and review progressively smaller sets of Circuit Segments which satisfy various criteria and have different levels of information determined, until they finally become Confirmed Projects and Prioritized Projects. The full lists of Circuit Segments which have reached these stages can be generated from the data submission tables described in Appendix C. Each Progress Report, beginning with Progress Report 0 (see Section 2.6), will include the data submission for these lists in a tabular format that can be accessed by members of the public.

The table below describes the lists utilized in the Project Acceptance Framework process, the relevant information they contain, and the tables that can be joined to generate the lists.

Table 2. Circuit Segment Information Lists

List Name	Description	Information Provided	Tables Containing Information
All Circuit Segments List	List of all Circuit Segments in service territory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unique Circuit IDs and Circuit Segment IDs • For each Circuit Segment, whether it is located in (i) a Tier 2 or 3 High Fire-Threat District or not in either; and/or (ii) a Wildfire Rebuild Area or not • Overall Utility Risk Score • Ignition Consequence Score • Outage Program Likelihood Score 	Appendix C: C1.6 Circuit Segment Identification Table Appendix C: C1.8 Circuit Segment Risk Score Table
In-Area Circuit Segments List	List of all Circuit Segments in a Wildfire Rebuild Area or Tier 2 or 3 High Fire-Threat District (In-Area)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall Utility Risk Score • Ignition Consequence Score • Outage Program Likelihood Score 	Appendix C: C1.6 Circuit Segment Identification Table Appendix C: C1.8 Circuit Segment Risk Score Table

List Name	Description	Information Provided	Tables Containing Information
Eligible Circuit Segments List	List of all In-Area Circuit Segments that are above a Project-Level Threshold and therefore eligible for the EUP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project-Level Thresholds • Project-Level Standards • Project Variable Modifiers (see Section 2.7.7 of these Guidelines) 	Appendix C: C1.1 Plan Table Appendix C: C1.6 Circuit Segment Identification Table Appendix C: C1.8 Circuit Segment Risk Score Table
Ineligible Circuit Segments List	List of all In-Area Circuit Segments that are below all Project-Level Thresholds and therefore are NOT eligible for the EUP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project-Level Thresholds • Project-Level Standards • Project Variable Modifiers (see Section 2.7.7 of these Guidelines) 	Appendix C: C1.1 Plan Table Appendix C: C1.6 Circuit Segment Identification Table Appendix C: C1.8 Circuit Segment Risk Score Table
Undergrounding Projects List	List of all Eligible Circuit Segments that have been compared to multiple mitigation strategies using Cost Benefit Analysis data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPUC Data Appendix completed • CPUC CBR • Screen 2 Table 	Appendix C: C1.1 Plan Table Appendix C: C1.11 Screen 2 Table Appendix C: C1.15 Project Index Table
Confirmed Projects List	List of Undergrounding Projects that have been compared to multiple	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk landscapes for separate, collective, and ablation studies • Screen 3 Table 	Appendix C: C1.1 Plan Table Appendix C: C1.12 Screen 3 Table

List Name	Description	Information Provided	Tables Containing Information
	mitigation strategies using KDMM data		Appendix C: C1.15 Project Index Table
Prioritized Projects List	List of Confirmed Projects, with each project prioritized using section 8388.5(c)(2) prioritization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List of Confirmed Projects sorted by priority Planning and Construction Phase Status Subproject Information 	Appendix C: C.1.10 Project Table Appendix C: C.1.15 Project Index Table For more information on Subprojects, see Appendix C: C.1.14 Subproject Table
Non-EUP Projects List	See Section 2.4.7.2 of these Guidelines	See Section 2.4.7.2 of these Guidelines	Appendix C: C1.6 Circuit Segment Identification Table

2.4.7.2 Information on Non-EUP Projects

The EUP must include information on any distribution undergrounding or other system hardening project in a Tier 2 or 3 High Fire Threat District that is funded or in the Project Planning and Construction Phases that is not included in the 10-Year EUP (“Non-EUP Project”). The Large Electrical Corporation must include this information in the Circuit Segment Identification Table as described in Appendix C.1.6. The Large Electrical Corporation is not required to apply the screens to non-EUP Projects.

The Large Electrical Corporation must also provide a brief overview of all non-EUP Undergrounding programs and all other distribution system hardening programs aimed at reducing Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk. The Large Electrical Corporation must include the timeline for completion of Non-EUP Projects, their Project Status, and their associated risk reduction. The overview must discuss how the selection process for these Non-EUP Projects and programs is different from the EUP and how they will be coordinated with the EUP.

All of the information above must be updated in each Progress Report. The Large Electrical Corporation must also include a narrative describing how these projects are accounted for in the Risk Modeling Methodology.

2.5 Project Timelines, Workforce Development Plan, Costs and Benefits, and Nonratepayer Funding Sources

The Timelines, Workforce Development, Costs and Benefits, and Nonratepayer Funding components are the plan components required by sections 8388.5(c)(3), (c)(5), (c)(6) and (j).

2.5.1 Project Timelines and Targets

Section 8388.5(c)(3) requires an EUP to include, “[t]imelines for the completion of identified and prioritized undergrounding projects, and unit cost targets and mileage completion targets for each year covered by the plan.” To fulfill this component, the EUP must contain:

- a. The Target/Timeline Table described in Section 2.3.1.
- b. A project management template that will be used to track and communicate each project’s schedule and milestones. The project management template should include dates for scoping, planning/design, permitting/dependencies, pre-construction, construction, and completion.
- c. A description of controls that will be in place to ensure the schedules are maintained.

2.5.2 Workforce Development Plan

Section 8388.5(c)(5) requires the EUP to include a “plan for utility and contractor workforce development.” To fulfill this component, the EUP must contain a description of how the Large Electrical Corporation will successfully secure the resources required to implement the EUP for the full 10 years. Some examples include:

- a. A list of the job classifications;
- b. Annual EUP workforce targets;
- c. A description for workforce training, recruitment, and retention;
- d. A description of constraints and strategy for addressing those constraints; and
- e. A description of the potential impacts that EUP implementation could have on traditional safety and reliability related projects and programs that rely on the same field personnel.

2.5.3 Costs and Benefits

Section 8388.5(c)(6) requires the EUP to include “an evaluation of project costs, projected economic benefits over the life of the assets, and any cost containment assumptions, including the economies of scale necessary to reduce wildfire risk and mitigation costs and establish a sustainable supply chain.” To fulfill this component, the EUP must contain a narrative for each of the following:

- a. Evaluation of project costs;
- b. Projected economic benefits over the life of the assets;
- c. Cost containment assumptions (including economies of scale necessary to reduce wildfire risk and mitigation costs); and
- d. Strategies for achieving a sustainable supply chain and the economies of scale necessary to reduce costs over time.

2.5.4 Nonratepayer Funding Sources

Section 8388.5(j) requires the Large Electrical Corporation participating in the program to “apply for available federal, state, and other nonratepayer moneys throughout the duration of its approved undergrounding plan” and use acquired funds to reduce the program’s costs to ratepayers. To fulfill this component, the EUP must contain:

- a. List of existing nonratepayer funding opportunities;
- b. A plan for identifying additional sources of nonratepayer funding and plans for tracking and applying for nonratepayer funding opportunities that may become available; and
- c. A plan for tracking nonratepayer funds received to ensure the funds are used to reduce ratepayer costs.

2.6 Progress Report 0

The EUP must include a report called “Progress Report 0” as an attachment. Progress Report 0 must show the status of Circuit Segments and other matters related to wildfire mitigation at the time of EUP submission.

The Large Electrical Corporation must submit an updated Progress Report 0 every six months until the EUP start date including during the period the EUP is evaluated by Energy Safety and the CPUC. During this time period, Energy Safety may direct the Large Electrical Corporation to make changes to the format and content of Progress Report 0.

The EUP must contain a narrative explaining the Large Electrical Corporation’s choice of content and structure for Progress Report 0. The narrative must explain and confirm how Progress Report 0 meets the requirements in Sections 2.6.1 and 2.6.2 below.

2.6.1 Content of Progress Report 0

Progress Report 0 must be based on information and data available at the time of submission. The Circuit Segment Information Lists, including the Confirmed Projects List and the Prioritized Project List, submitted in Progress Report 0 must meet the minimum requirements described in Section 2.4.1 for Screen 3.

Progress Report 0 must, at a minimum, include the following sections:

- a. Portfolio Coversheet (narrative);
- b. Example Rejected ~~Portfolio~~ Project(s) (see Section 2.4.5.2, Twenty-Five Undergrounding Project Requirement);
- c. Plan Mitigation Objective (narrative);
- d. Plan Tracking Objectives (narrative);
- e. Target/Timeline Table (narrative);
- f. Identified Wildfire Rebuild Areas (narrative);
- g. Model Report (see Section 2.7.2);
- h. Alternative Mitigation Selection Process (narrative);
- i. All data required pursuant to Section 2.8 and Appendix C of these Guidelines; and
- j. Any additional System-Level, Portfolio-Level and Project-Level information the Large Electrical Corporation would like to be included in Progress Reports.

2.6.2 Relation of Progress Report 0 to Statutory Progress Report Requirement

The content, format, and structure of Progress Report 0 will inform the requirements for future Progress Reports. Energy Safety may provide additional guidance regarding future Progress Report requirements at a later date.

2.7 Risk Modeling

This section describes the requirements for the Risk Modeling Methodology that the Large Electrical Corporation must employ to establish the Plan Mitigation Objective and to perform the analysis required in Screen 3 (Project Risk Analysis).

The Large Electrical Corporation must justify its methodology in a narrative section of its EUP submission. This narrative must be organized into the following sections.

Table 3. Narrative Requirements Supporting Risk Modeling Methodology

Section Name	Narrative Requirements	Maximum Length of Narrative Section	Required Tables and Figures	Table Requirements
Overview	See 2.7.1	5 pages	Enterprise Diagram(s)	See 2.7.3.1
Model Report	See 2.7.2	4 pages per Sub-model	None	None
Core Capabilities	See 2.7.5	2 pages per Capability	None	None
Model Inputs	See 2.7.5.1	1 page per Input Category	Model Risk Landscape Variables Table	See 2.8.5.1
Project Variable Modifiers	See 2.7.6	1 page per Project Variable Modifier	Project Variable Modifiers Inputs Table Project Variable Modifiers Outputs Table	See 2.8.5.2
Calibration and Versioning	See 2.7.5.2	2 pages	None	None
Key Decision-Making Metrics	See 2.7.3	3 pages for required KDMMs and up to 1 page each for up to 5 additional KDMMs	None	None
Portfolio-Level Standards	See 2.7.8	2 pages	None	None

Section Name	Narrative Requirements	Maximum Length of Narrative Section	Required Tables and Figures	Table Requirements
Project-Level Thresholds	See 2.7.9.1	2 pages	None	None
Project-Level Standards	See 2.7.9.2	2 pages	None	None

2.7.1 Overview of Risk Modeling Methodology

The Large Electrical Corporation must provide an overview narrative that explains the key elements of its risk modeling approach and definitions. The narrative must detail how the Large Electrical Corporation will compare the potential wildfire risk and reliability impacts of Undergrounding to Alternative Mitigations. The overview must describe the methodology and underlying intent of the Large Electrical Corporation’s risk assessment in no more than five pages, inclusive of all narratives, bullet point lists, and any graphics. The overview narrative should also include any additional Key Decision-Making Metrics (KDMMs) proposed by the Large Electrical Corporation and the enterprise diagram as required by Section 2.7.3 below.

2.7.2 Model Reports

The Large Electrical Corporation must present a Model Report consisting of a collection of report chapters on each individual model used in the Risk Modeling Methodology. A model is defined as a distinct part of the larger Risk Modeling Methodology that has explainable units. These distinctions must be at least as granular as in the enterprise diagram described in Section 2.7.3.1 of these Guidelines. At a minimum, these models must include an Ignition Likelihood model, an Ignition Consequence model, an Outage Program likelihood model, an Outage Program consequence model, and an overall utility risk model. For each model, the Large Electrical Corporation must describe the methodology and numerical calculations involved at a level of detail that would allow for verification and replication in a self-contained chapter. Each chapter of the Model Report must be no more than four pages, inclusive of all narratives, bullet point lists, and any graphics. A Model Report may reference additional, publicly available documents published by the Large Electrical Corporation or third-party vendors. Each Model Report must also attach a technical workbook as an appendix. The technical workbook must demonstrate the numerical calculations and contain the toy problems referenced below.

Each chapter of the Model Report must be formatted into the following subsections addressing different aspects of the modeling methodology and implementation.

- a. **Model Usage:** For each chapter, the Model Usage section must describe the model's scope, how often the model is utilized, what aspects of the electrical system's risk profile are evaluated by this model, and specifically identify what risk or risk component the model is evaluating.
- b. **Model Type:** For each chapter, the Model Type section must describe the model's taxonomy (e.g., physics simulation, mathematical model, machine learning classification).
- c. **Key Inputs:** For each chapter, the Key Inputs section must describe the data that is fed into a calibrated model, including a description of the original data collection when applicable.
- d. **Model Solution:** For each chapter, the Model Solution section must describe the method used to calibrate, train, simulate, optimize, or implement the model from a mathematical standpoint. The model solution must include relevant information. For example:
 - i. If the model is based on a historical frequency table, briefly describe the data procurement and weighting of the decision function.
 - ii. If the model is based on a general linear model, Bayesian regression or other under-parameterized model, describe the training data and validation accuracy of the model.
 - iii. If the model is based on solving a non-convex problem, briefly describe the optimization procedure and potential pitfalls of local minima.
 - iv. If the model is based on an overparameterized network, briefly describe the optimization procedure, including the number of learnable parameters, training technique, and the size and origin of the training and testing sets.
 - v. If the model is based on a physical simulation, describe the simulation evolution algorithm, spatial and temporal resolution, and any subgrid effects considered.
 - vi. If the model is based on Monte Carlo simulations, describe the assumptions made to build the component distributions and the outcome uncertainties.
- e. **Model Outputs:** For each chapter, the Model Outputs section must describe how the data produced by the model is fed into other models or used by the Large Electrical Corporation to make risk-related decisions. The Large Electrical Corporation must describe the mathematical type of output (e.g., distribution, average value, score, probability), the spatial resolution (e.g., per Circuit, per segment, per county) and temporal resolution (e.g., per day, per season, per year).
- f. **Uncertainty:** For each chapter, the Uncertainty section must describe the amount by which a calculated value output by the model might differ from the actual value when the input parameters are known. Additionally, this section must address any methods the Large Electrical Corporation uses to account for missing input data in its Risk Modeling Methodology. Lastly, this section must address the sensitivity

- analysis used to determine the relationships between the uncertainty in the inputs used in an analysis and the uncertainty in the resultant dependent variables due to numerical instability or stiffness of the underlying equations.
- g. **Toy Problems:** For each chapter, the Toy Problems section must describe three examples, specifying input and output values, using synthetic data. One input must lead to a low-risk (or low-probability, low-consequence) output, one for a medium-risk case, and one for a high-risk case. In each case, the Large Electrical Corporation must describe the magnitude and units of the inputs and outputs as well as the prevalence of each scenario in real-world data. These examples must also be presented numerically in a workbook attached to the end of the Model Report.
 - h. **Shelf-life:** For each chapter, the Shelf-life section must describe the length or period the model is expected to be used. This section must describe if/how the model is expected to be updated, both regarding new calibration data and new project input data. This section must describe if/when the model is expected to be retired or replaced by an entirely new model. Sections 2.7.5.2 and 2.7.7 of these Guidelines detail further requirements for updating the Risk Modeling Methodology.

2.7.3 Key Decision-Making Metrics and Enterprise Diagrams

The Key Decision-Making Metrics (KDMMs) are defined to be the collection of top-level metrics that the Large Electrical Corporation proposes to use to evaluate the efficacy of an Undergrounding Project. These KDMMs are not influenced by risk attitudes, risk tolerances, opportunity costs or any other decision-making parameters. They do not reflect financial considerations and must be used alongside financialized metrics reported in Screen 2 and Screen 4 to evaluate projects. The KDMMs measure key elements of risk and can be substantiated by real-world observations.

The KDMMs will be used for approximating risk at the System-Level, Portfolio-Level, and individual Project-Level. A System-Level measurement accumulates information from the entire distribution system into a single number. A Portfolio-Level measurement accumulates information from every Circuit Segment on a Circuit which has one or more Confirmed Projects as well as their effects on the overall Circuit into a single number. A Project-Level measurement accumulates risk from all of the equipment on a single Circuit Segment.

The Large Electrical Corporation must include the seven mandatory KDMMs described below and has the option to include five additional KDMMs of its choosing.

- a. The Large Electrical Corporation must include the following KDMMs:
 - i. **Overall Utility Risk:** A combined measure of Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk that measures the total risk of wildfires and Outage Program Events related to wildfire risks. This is computed as the inner product of the likelihoods of adverse events and their consequences. This is an unweighted and unscaled calculation.
 - ii. **Ignition Risk:** The measure of impacts from wildfire at a given location. This metric is the product of two factors: (1) the likelihood a wildfire will occur, and (2) the potential consequences of a wildfire originating from this location. This is an unweighted and unscaled calculation.
 - iii. **Ignition Consequence:** The total anticipated adverse effects from a wildfire on each community it reaches. This metric considers the wildfire hazard intensity, the wildfire exposure potential, and the inherent wildfire vulnerabilities of communities at risk.
 - iv. **Ignition Likelihood:** The likelihood of an ignition at a given location given a probabilistic set of environmental conditions.
 - v. **Outage Program Risk:** The measure of reliability impacts from Outage Programs at a given location. This metric is the product of two factors: (1) the likelihood an Outage Program Event will be required due to environmental conditions exceeding design conditions, and (2) the potential consequences of the Outage Program for affected customers, considering exposure potential and vulnerability. This is an unweighted and unscaled calculation.
 - vi. **Outage Program Consequence:** The total anticipated adverse effects from an Outage Program for a community. This considers the Outage Program exposure potential and inherent Outage Program vulnerabilities of communities at risk.
 - vii. **Outage Program Likelihood:** The likelihood of an Outage Program being deployed at any given time, given a probabilistic set of environmental conditions. This measure should capture both the probability of an Outage Program ~~Events~~Event(s) being initiated at given time and the length of time of those Outage Program Event(s).
- b. Up to five additional KDMMs proposed by the Large Electrical Corporation may also be included. For each additional KDMM, the Large Electrical Corporation must include the following information in the Overview Section of the Risk Modeling Methodology:
 - i. Provide a definition, numerical calculation, and units.
 - ii. Explain each proposed KDMM, including how the KDMM contributes to measuring Ignition Risk and/or Outage Program Risk.

- iii. Report the proposed KDMMs at the same resolution and frequency as the required KDMMs.

2.7.3.1 Enterprise Diagram

The Large Electrical Corporation must provide one or more entity relation diagram(s) of the system(s) used for quantifying Ignition Risk and one or more entity relation diagram(s) of the system(s) used for quantifying Outage Program Risks.

Each diagram must show how input data feeds into independent sub-models and identify the KDMMs, and all precursor calculations used in generating each KDMM. A precursor calculation is an intermediate modeling value with explainable meaning that is computed from the input data and determined in the process of computing the KDMM. For example, an unscaled consequence score is considered a precursor calculation for a scaled risk score, but an intermediate activation value of a neural network is not considered a precursor. Similarly, if a risk score is normalized by distance (i.e. units of risk per mile), then the raw risk score is considered to be a precursor calculation.

An example of an enterprise diagram for Overall Utility Risk Model, which ~~identities~~identifies other KDMMs and precursor metrics, is presented below. All sub-models must be clearly labeled with their inputs and outputs classified intuitively. KDMMs and precursors must be identified by color and shown on the right-hand side of the diagram.

Figure 2. Example Enterprise Diagram for Risk Modeling Methodology

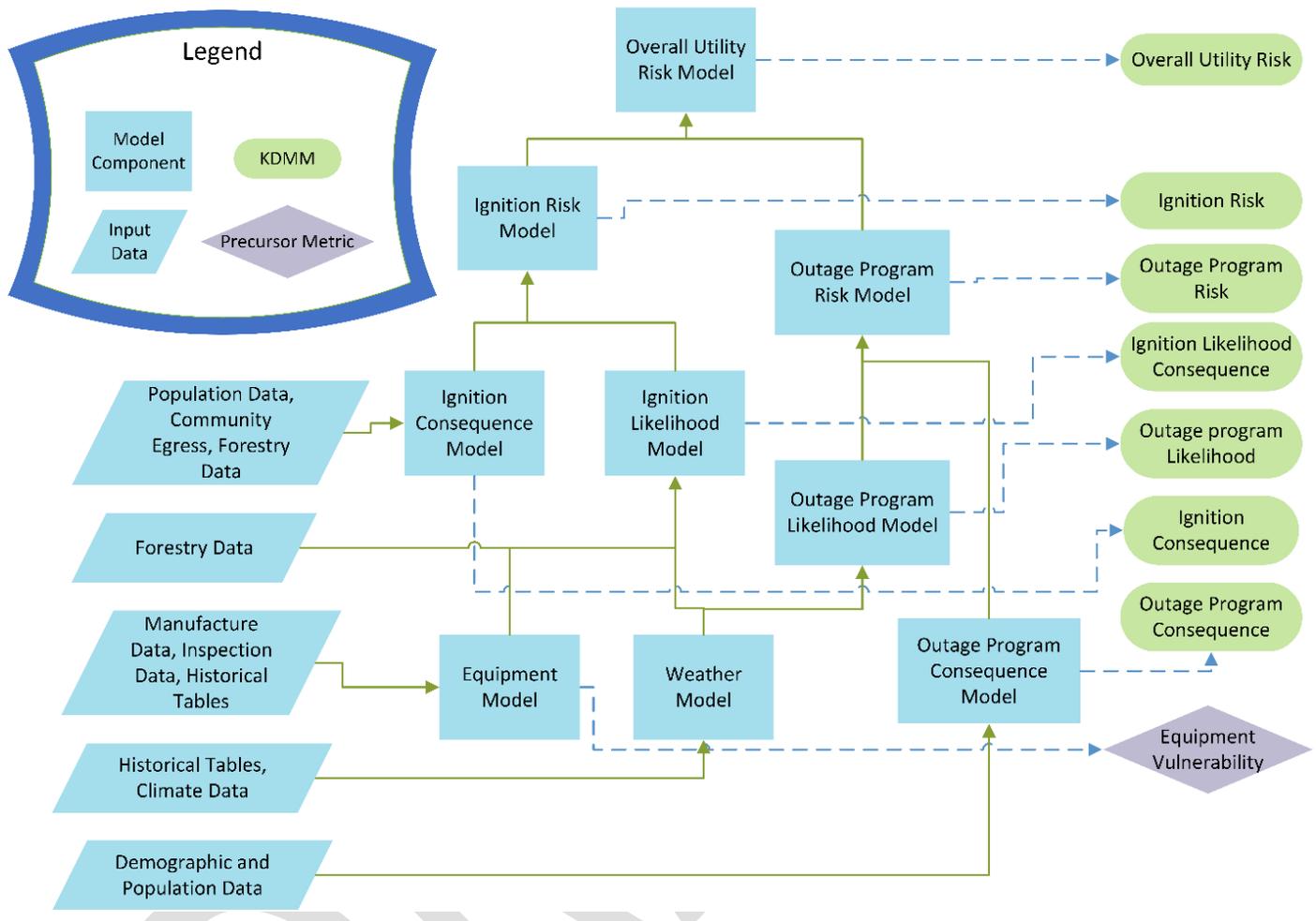


Figure 2 shows an example enterprise diagram with model inputs informing model components. The outputs are KDMMs and Precursor Metrics.

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2.7.4 Model Risk Landscape

The Model Risk Landscape is the collection of all inputs, outputs and intermediate calculations used in the Risk Modeling Methodology. This includes all KDMMs, their precursor calculations, and any additional numerical evidence that the Large Electrical Corporation uses to evaluate or report the risk reduction of an Undergrounding Project or Alternative Mitigation. The Large Electrical Corporation must incorporate the elements of the Model Risk Landscape in its narrative supporting the Risk Modeling Methodology.

All claims involving the comparative risks of individual Undergrounding Projects must be substantiated by numerical comparisons between Model Risk Landscapes using the same version and calibration of the Risk Modeling Methodology.

A Model Risk Landscape is determined by these four elements:

1. The model version must indicate a unique configuration of the models as detailed in Section 2.7.5.2 of these Guidelines.
2. The calibration settings must uniquely identify the collection of non-project related input data fed into the models or used in historical tables.
3. The project list must refer to all projects that the model is considering in a specific evaluation for this measurement of Model Risk Landscape.
4. The forecast time must indicate what instantaneous time or accumulative period the model is evaluating.

2.7.5 Required Core Capabilities for Risk Modeling Methodology

Core Capabilities are defined as a set of required use-cases that the Large Electrical Corporation's Risk Modeling Methodology must be able to achieve to make quantitative arguments about the risk reduction of Undergrounding Projects and Alternative Mitigations. The Large Electrical Corporation must detail the formal quantitative procedure for achieving each of the following Core Capabilities:

- a. Project-Level Risk Analysis;
- b. Aggregate Risk Analysis;
- c. Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk as Separate and Collective Risks;
- d. Approximating Future Risks and Accumulation of Ignition Risk and Electrical Reliability over Time;
- e. Accounting for Undergrounding Projects with Multiple Mitigations and Subprojects;
- f. Establishing Baselines and Historical Calibrations; and
- g. Comparisons with Alternative Mitigation Strategies.

The Large Electrical Corporation must also list any additional workflows that are critical for evaluating the effectiveness and efficiency of its EUP.

For each capability, the Large Electrical Corporation must provide a narrative description, explicit formulas, and example calculations demonstrating how the capability is achieved. These example calculations may use synthetic inputs, but all formulas, input/output scaling and user parameters must be the same as those used in the Risk Modeling Methodology. The Large Electrical Corporation may include additional workbooks with the Model Report that demonstrate these calculations.

Core Capability 1: Project-Level Risk Analysis

The Large Electrical Corporation must demonstrate that its framework can analyze risk reduction of projects in its Portfolio both separately and collectively. For each project, the Large Electrical Corporation must conduct a Collective Analysis, a Separate Analysis, and an Ablation Analysis. Each study will report these results at the Portfolio-Level and Project-Level.

- a. The Collective Analysis describes the risk reduction of a single Undergrounding Project in combination with the rest of the Undergrounding Projects that are in the same Portfolio and details the effects of the specific Undergrounding Project on Circuit(s) as well as the entire system. It is reported for each Undergrounding Project at the Portfolio-Level and Project-Level.
- b. The Separate Analysis measures the risk reduction of this Undergrounding Project if it was the only Undergrounding Project in the Portfolio and is reported at the Portfolio-Level and Project-Level.
- c. The Ablation Study details the effects if this Undergrounding Project is NOT included in the Portfolio at both the Portfolio-Level and Project-Level.

The Large Electrical Corporation must provide examples of the computation in the narrative section of the EUP and explicitly state unit-conversion factors used to assess Project-Level risks.

Core Capability 2: Aggregate Risk Analysis

The Large Electrical Corporation must detail, in narrative form, its method for evaluating risk metrics at the Portfolio-Level and System-Level. For each KDMM, the Large Electrical Corporation must provide an explanation of its aggregation process. This narrative must include a description of the process the Large Electrical Corporation uses for the summation or aggregation of Circuit/Circuit Segment risks. This may include linear and/or non-linear processes if appropriately justified.

The Large Electrical Corporation must also demonstrate how it evaluates the effectiveness of multiple projects simultaneously for both Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk.

Core Capability 3: Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk as Separate and Collective Risks

The Large Electrical Corporation must detail its method for evaluating Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk through separated and combined metrics. The Large Electrical Corporation must demonstrate its framework for performing separate and collective analysis of Ignition Risk reduction and reliability benefits from reduced Outage Program Risk. The Large Electrical Corporation must demonstrate that its analysis for each of these metrics can be performed both independently and collectively.

The Large Electrical Corporation must additionally describe its method for balancing the trade-off between Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk in its modeling. That is, the Large Electrical Corporation must explicitly define how it computes Overall Utility Risk as a factor of both Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk and describe how each of these factors play a role in its process for selecting projects. The Large Electrical Corporation must explicitly state the value of any unit-conversion factors used in this computation and explain how they arrived at these value(s).

Lastly, the Large Electrical Corporation must describe the model gap between the modeled trade-off and the Large Electrical Corporation's real-world approach to limiting ignitions through Outage Programs. That is, the Large Electrical Corporation must describe how its modeled process differs from the real-world process used to intentionally deenergize lines during high-wind events (such as during a Public Safety Power Shutoff) and determine the use of fast trip settings.

Core Capability 4: Approximating Future Risks and Accumulation of Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk over Time

The Large Electrical Corporation must detail its method for evaluating Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk at future dates and the accumulation of Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk over time. The Large Electrical Corporation must report instantaneous and cumulative risk and reliability scores at 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 55 years into the future for all Confirmed Projects. Model Year 0 is defined to begin on the date the Large Electrical Corporation designates as the start date of the EUP (as set forth in the Target/Timeline Table), and subsequent times are measured at a fixed timeline from the same date.

The Large Electrical Corporation must describe how it uses estimated project timelines to model the reduction of risk and increase in reliability over time. For Undergrounding Projects, this timeline must include the estimated time for the project to acquire new rights-of-way, easements, permits, and CEQA review, if any. For non-undergrounding work, this timeline must use an estimate specific to the type of work using assumptions about the start time and construction time that are reasonable and consistent with the work being performed and assuming that the work will begin and be completed as soon as practicable. The Large Electrical Corporation must detail how these projections reflect its modeling of climate change as described in Core Capability 6.

If any discount rates are employed in the calculation of any KDMM, the Large Electrical Corporation must list them and explain their origin. If the discount rates change over time, the Large Electrical Corporation must explain how they change and why these changes are warranted. Changes must be in line with the CPUC Risk-based Decision-Making Framework Proceeding (Rulemaking 20-07-013 or its successor proceeding).

Core Capability 5: Accounting for Undergrounding Projects with Multiple Mitigations and Subprojects

The Large Electrical Corporation must detail its method for evaluating Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk for Undergrounding Projects that are completed in stages or have multiple mitigations on a single Circuit Segment. This description must contain explicit formulations and justification for any weighting employed in the computed risk reduction or allocation.

For Circuit Segments containing multiple mitigations (such as a portion of the Circuit Segment undergrounded, and another portion of the same Circuit Segment replaced with covered conductor), the Large Electrical Corporation must demonstrate how it models the risk-reduction of the overall project as well as how that risk reduction can be allocated between the different Subprojects. This must include an assessment of what equipment on the previously existing Circuit Segment will be removed, replaced, or refurbished at what a specific time as a part of a Subproject. In this assessment, each individual piece of equipment must be assigned to a single Subproject and cannot be assigned to multiple Subprojects. The Large Electrical Corporation must also comment on any modeling gap between their allocation scheme and the real-world risk profile of the Circuit.

The Large Electrical Corporation must develop a projected timeline for completion of each Subproject and factor this into its overall Risk Modeling Methodology. Ignition Risk may only be reduced in the forecasted modeling after an overhead line is projected to be deenergized. Similarly, Outage Program Risk may only be forecasted to be reduced once the new line is projected to be energized. This requirement only directly applies to Screen 3 and Screen 4. Information on Subprojects in Screen 2 must be in accordance with the CPUC Risk-based Decision-Making Framework Proceeding (Rulemaking 20-07-013 or its successor proceeding).

Additionally, the Large Electrical Corporation must demonstrate a method to apportion overall risk reduced by an Undergrounding Project with multiple mitigations to the contribution from each mitigation type. For example, if the Large Electrical Corporation envisions a Confirmed Project with some portions of Undergrounding, covered conductor installation, and line-removal, it must be able to determine the overall risk reduction of the Confirmed Project and the amount of that overall risk reduction due to each of the Alternative Mitigation non-Undergrounding strategies. The apportionment methodology must be consistent across all Undergrounding Projects. The sum of risk reduced by each Subproject in a given Confirmed Project must equal the risk reduction of the Confirmed Project itself.

Core Capability 6: Establishing Baselines and Historical Calibrations

The Large Electrical Corporation must demonstrate how it ensures that the Risk Modeling Methodology is evaluated with up-to-date information that accurately reflects the Large Electrical Corporation's understanding of the risk on the system. Additionally, the Large Electrical Corporation must demonstrate that comparisons between Undergrounding Projects and Alternative Mitigations are made on a statistically consistent scale.

To do this, the Large Electrical Corporation must develop a system to record Baselines and historical model calibrations. A new Baseline must be recorded by the Large Electrical Corporation at least once per calendar year. This new Baseline must account for all physical changes to the electrical distribution infrastructure performed during that year, through the EUP or any other mechanism.

To establish an initial Baseline, the Large Electrical Corporation must model the risk landscape assuming that no EUP Undergrounding Projects are constructed. This Baseline modeling must include any non-EUP wildfire mitigation activity in Tier 2 or 3 HFTDs. In subsequent Baselines, the Large Electrical Corporation must include activity outside of the EUP program that the Large Electrical Corporation has initiated or completed since the establishment of the previous Baseline.

This modeling will attempt to account for climate change. Baselines must be measured and reported at the same cadence as other risk model landscape components at 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 55 years.

Each Baseline must indicate the version of the modeling system and the model calibration(s) that were used to evaluate it. The Baselines must also indicate the date the Baseline was created, and the naming scheme of the Baselines must be consistent across the lifetime of the EUP. Any comparison of an Undergrounding Project or Alternative Mitigation to a Baseline must indicate what Baseline the comparison is being made to.

For Project-Level comparisons, such as the evaluation of the Project-Level Standard, the Baseline also establishes the pre-mitigation Circuit Segment length and alignment on which to make the future comparisons.

Core Capability 7: Comparisons with Alternative Mitigation Strategies

The Large Electrical Corporation must demonstrate its method for comparing an Undergrounding Project with Alternative Mitigations as detailed in Section 2.7.10. Additionally, if the Undergrounding Project consists of both Undergrounding and overhead hardening Subprojects, as described in Core Capability 5, only the risk reduction due to the Undergrounding Subprojects may be counted toward the Portfolio-Level Standards, Plan Tracking Objectives, and Plan Mitigation Objective. All the Subprojects (including non-undergrounding Subprojects) may be counted toward the Project-Level Standard.

Further details on the required comparisons are given in Section 2.7.10.

2.7.5.1 Model Inputs and Considerations

The Large Electrical Corporation must provide a comprehensive summary of all model inputs used to compute each metric included in its Model Risk Landscape. This summary includes all real-world observations, KDMMs, precursor calculations and any other metric reported in the EUP or Portfolio Coversheet.

For each input category, the Large Electrical Corporation must formally define the term and describe the original data sources and the purpose of including these factors in the overall Risk Modeling Methodology in a narrative format of at most one page per requirement.

At minimum, the model inputs must include:

- a. **Equipment / Assets** (e.g., type, age, inspection, maintenance procedures, etc.)
- b. **Topography** (e.g., elevation, slope, aspect, etc.)
- c. **Weather** (at a minimum this must include statistically extreme conditions based on weather history and seasonal weather)
- d. **Vegetation** (e.g., type/class/species/fuel model, canopy height/base height/cover, growth rates, moisture content, inspection, clearance procedures, etc.)
- e. **Climate change** (e.g., long-term changes in seasonal weather; statistical extreme weather; impact of change on vegetation species, growth, moisture, etc. At a minimum, this must include adaptations of historical weather data to current and forecasting future climate.)
- f. **Social vulnerability** (e.g., socioeconomic factors, etc.)
- g. **Physical vulnerability** (e.g., people, structures, critical facilities/infrastructure, etc.)
- h. **Coping capacities** (e.g., limited access/egress, etc.)

2.7.5.2 Version and Calibration Changes

The Large Electrical Corporation must describe its anticipated schedule for updating its modeling system and methods for recording these changes in a narrative section of one page or less in the EUP. The Large Electrical Corporation must establish a naming system to track historical versions and calibrations. The naming system must be described in a narrative section of one page or less in the EUP.

Version changes are qualitative updates that substantially change the way that the risk model operates and must be accompanied by a new model report (see Section 2.7.2), the establishment of a new Baseline, and a historical backtest (see Section 2.7.6).

Version changes must markedly improve the Risk Modeling Methodology. The Large Electrical Corporation must substantiate this improvement through the submission of an updated Model Report, with all the sections and requirements detailed in Section 2.7.2, as a subsection of a Progress Report at least 6 months prior to the integration of the new version into the plan.

Calibration changes are smaller changes that do not significantly impact the Model Risk Landscape and only require the establishment of a new Baseline.

Examples of qualitative updates that are large or significant enough to change the versioning of the modeling system include, but are not limited to:

- a. Adding or removing any models to/from the system.
- b. Replacing a model with an alternative.
- c. Any update to a model which a third-party model developer employed by the Large Electrical Corporation lists as a version update.
- d. Retraining an overparameterized neural network on a new dataset.
- e. Applying a new optimization procedure for a non-convex problem.
- f. Implementation of a new methodology to compute a Project Variable Modifier (PVM).

Examples of qualitative updates that are not significant updates to the version changes, but do qualify as calibration updates, include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Updating an existing historical actuarial table.
- b. Fixing minor code errors.
- c. Cleaning input data.
- d. Updating a PVM based on new data, using a process established in the application or previous Progress Report.

The Large Electrical Corporation must include information on modeling changes in a narrative section of at most two pages in the Progress Reports.

2.7.6 Baselines, Backtesting, Model Retention, and Subsequent Model Reports Update Schedule

The Large Electrical Corporation must establish model and calibration retention policies. The Large Electrical Corporation must retain models and calibrations data for the lifetime of the program.

The Large Electrical Corporation must describe its plan to update its Risk Modeling Methodology, including details regarding how and when model version and calibration updates are planned. Any new version or calibration will require a new `risk_model_version_id` and `risk_model_calibration_id` in the data submission, respectively. See Appendix C of these Guidelines for more details.

When a new model or model version is introduced to the Risk Modeling Methodology, after the approval of an EUP, the Large Electrical Corporation must submit a Model Report (as described in Sections 2.7.2 and 2.7.5.2 of these Guidelines) as a subsection of the Progress Report to Energy Safety as well as an historical backtest of the new model's impact on all KDMMs for all Baselines since the start of the EUP (Appendix C, Section C.1.5).

In each Model Report, including in Progress Report 0 and subsequent Progress Reports, the Large Electrical Corporation must establish a new Baseline which reflects the existing distribution system as detailed in Section 2.7.5 of these Guidelines.

Risk scores for new equipment/alignment must be reported in the same granularity, scale and methodology as previously existing equipment. These evaluations must be conducted in accordance with the Large Electrical Corporation's Risk Modeling Methodology, as described in the EUP, in cases where the Large Electrical corporation has not re-evaluated the risk on the new equipment.

2.7.7 Project Variable Modifiers (PVMs)

A Project Variable Modifier is defined as a set of changes that are made to variables in the Risk Modeling Methodology to evaluate the effectiveness of a given project or set of projects and represents how the Large Electrical Corporation values the efficacy of the Alternative Mitigations. The Large Electrical Corporation must list each Project Variable Modifier, explain how the specific PVM was calculated, and explain if and how the use of a specific PVM varies in different evaluations of the Model Risk Landscape. Specifically, the Large Electrical Corporation should provide a general description summarizing what input variables to what calculations are changed, and what is the effect on the output variables and KDMMs. This information may be reported on an average-case basis.

The Large Electrical Corporation must provide a high-level description of the formal numerical processes used to arrive at the PVM. If the Large Electrical Corporation employs third-party studies to get to the PVM, it must cite the studies here. If the PVM is the result of internal studies, then the Large Electrical Corporation must describe the datasets, and detail the formal calculations. The Large Electrical Corporation must also make the third-party studies and data available to Energy Safety upon request, both during the review of the EUP and anytime during the expected lifetime of the assets installed ~~through~~ the EUP.

2.7.8 Portfolio-Level Standards

The Portfolio is the set of all Confirmed Projects that have passed Screen 3. A Portfolio is a unique list of Confirmed Projects, and adding or removing Confirmed Projects from the list constitutes an update to the Portfolio and must be indicated with a new portfolio ID. The Large Electrical Corporation must update the Portfolio as Undergrounding Projects are added, removed, or changed, and report these changes through Progress Reports. All Undergrounding Projects that have passed through Screen 3 (Project Risk Analysis), and have not been abandoned, must be included in the Portfolio.

The Large Electrical Corporation must set an Ignition Risk Decrease Standard and a Reliability Increase Standard (collectively, Portfolio-Level Standards). These Portfolio-Level Standards measure the "substantial" decrease in Ignition Risk and increase in reliability per section 8388.5(d)(2) and will be used to judge the overall efficacy and efficiency of the EUP. These standards must be measured on a per-mile basis.

- a. **Ignition Risk Decrease Standard** is the minimum decrease in ignition-related metrics, as measured through formal calculations of the KDMMs across the entire

- system at both the System-Level and Portfolio-Level, that the EUP must achieve to meet the required decrease in wildfire risk.
- b. **Reliability Increase Standard** is the minimum decrease in Outage Program-related metrics, as measured through formal calculations of the KDMMs across the entire system at both the System-Level and Portfolio-Level, that the EUP must achieve to meet the required increase in reliability.

The Large Electrical Corporation must use KDMMs that represent the minimum reduction of Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk, across its entire electrical distribution system, on an average-case basis necessary for the EUP to be considered successful under the Plan Mitigation Objective. It is not necessary for each iteration of the Portfolio to meet each of these Portfolio-Level Standards. Comparison to the Portfolio-Level Standards represents an intermediate measurement of the anticipated progress achieved by the Portfolio as scoped at any given time (i.e., those Undergrounding Projects that have passed through Screen 3) in a manner which scales with the size of the Portfolio.

2.7.9 Project-Level Thresholds and Standards

2.7.9.1 Project-Level Thresholds

The Large Electrical Corporation must set and explain a High-Risk Threshold, Ignition Tail Risk Threshold, and High Frequency Outage Program Threshold, ~~and Mitigated Risk Threshold~~ (collectively, Project-Level Thresholds), using a combination of the KDMMs to establish the need for mitigation on a Circuit Segment. These Project-Level Thresholds are fixed when the EUP is approved and cannot be altered when risk model versioning or calibration changes occur or when any other changes are made.

- a. **High-Risk Threshold** is the Overall Utility Risk level above which a Circuit Segment is considered eligible for examination for expedited undergrounding. The High-Risk Threshold must utilize normalized units, such as risk per mile, to account for the differing lengths of Circuit Segments. The Large Electrical Corporation must provide an explanation of the metric used for normalization and an explanation of why that metric was chosen.
- b. **Ignition Tail Risk Threshold** is the measure of consequence above which a Circuit Segment is considered to have significant potential for ignition of a catastrophic wildfire, so that it merits special consideration. This threshold must represent less than 1% of Circuit Segments in the entire system by mile and no more than 10% of the Ignition Consequence by score.
- c. **High Frequency Outage Program Threshold** is the measure of likelihood above which a Circuit Segment is considered to have a significantly high likelihood of frequent or prolonged disruption of service to customers. This threshold must measure both likelihood of an Outage Program Event and its anticipated length. This threshold must represent less than 1% of Circuit Segments in the entire system by mile and no more than 10% of Outage Program Likelihood by score.

2.7.9.2 Project-Level Standards

The Large Electrical Corporation must set and explain Project-Level Standards, using a combination of the KDMMs, to determine the necessary level of risk reduction needed for an Undergrounding Project to be considered to merit inclusion without considering other EUP projects. These Project-Level Standards are measured against the Baseline in place at the time the Undergrounding Project completes Screen 3. The Project-Level Standards are fixed when the EUP is approved and cannot be altered when risk model versioning or calibration changes occur or when any other changes are made.

It is not necessary for every Undergrounding Project in the Portfolio to meet these Project-Level Standards, but any Confirmed Project which does not meet the appropriate Project-Level Standard must be further justified in the narrative submission associated with the Confirmed Project in the relevant section of the tabular data submission (see Appendix C.1.12).

The proposed Project-Level Standards, when considered in the context of the EUP and risk landscape, must ensure the EUP substantially increases electrical reliability by reducing the use of public safety power shutoffs, enhanced powerline safety settings, deenergization events, and any other outage programs, and substantially reduces the risk of wildfire.

- a. **High-Risk Project-Level Standard** is the minimum decrease in Ignition Risk and Outage Program Risk, that an Undergrounding Project must achieve to support the Plan Mitigation Objective. This reduction in wildfire risk and increase in reliability must, at minimum, reduce the risk of the Circuit Segment to below the **Mitigated High-Risk** Threshold.
- b. **High Frequency Outage Program Project-Level Standard** is the minimum decrease in Outage Program Likelihood as measured through formal calculations of the KDMMs that any Undergrounding Project considered under the High Frequency Outage Program must achieve to meet the required substantial increase in electrical reliability achieved by reducing the use of public safety power shutoffs, enhanced powerline safety settings, deenergization events, and any other outage programs.
- c. **Tail Risk Project-Level Standard** is the minimum decrease in wildfire likelihood that any Undergrounding Project considered under the Ignition Tail Risk Threshold must achieve to meet the required substantial reduction of the risk of wildfire.

2.7.10 Comparative Metrics

For each Undergrounding Project, the Large Electrical Corporation must compare its project to the required design variations outlined below, including an evaluation of at least two combinations of comparable Alternative Mitigations in Screen 2, and one combination of comparable Alternative Mitigations in Screen 3.

Further information on these required comparisons can be found in Section C.1.11 (Screen 2 Table), Section C.1.12 (Screen 3 Table), Section C.1.13 (Screen 4 Table) and Section C.1.15 (Project Index Table) of Appendix C.

For the purpose of comparisons in this section, the Undergrounding Project is considered to be a 100% undergrounded Circuit Segment in Screen 2. After the project scoping phase in Screen 3, the project must be analyzed both as the Project as Scoped (see Required Design Variations below) which includes all of the Undergrounding and non-undergrounding Subprojects and the Undergrounding as Scoped (see Required Design Variations below). If the Undergrounding Project will be a completely undergrounded Circuit Segment, the Project as Scoped, and Undergrounding as Scoped design variations will have identical information but must be included for completeness of the data submission in Screen 3 and Screen 4.

In Screen 4, the costs, benefits, and CPUC CBR must be calculated for the Project as Scoped, Undergrounding as Scoped, and the Screen 3 Alternative Mitigations. Appendix C.1.13, Screen 4 Table, gives further instructions on the requirements of Screen 4.

Design Variations Required for Comparison:

- a. **100% Undergrounded:** A completely undergrounded Circuit Segment must be included as a design variation in Screen 2. In Screen 3, this design variation will be replaced with Project as Scoped.
- b. **Project as Scoped:** This design variation must include all work in the final project design, including all Undergrounding and non-undergrounding Subprojects. This design variation must be used to justify the Project-Level Standard.
- c. **Undergrounding as Scoped:** This design variation must include only the portion of the Circuit Segment that is to be undergrounded (e.g. just the Undergrounding Subproject(s) without any of the non-undergrounding Subprojects). This design variation must be used to justify the Portfolio-Level Standards, Plan Mitigation Objective, and Plan Tracking Objective. If the Circuit Segment will not contain multiple mitigations, this design variation will be identical to Project as Scoped.
- d. **Project Baseline:** For Screen 3 only, the existing Circuit Segment must be analyzed for the comparison of the Undergrounding Project. For Circuit Segments in Wildfire Rebuild Areas, the Pre-Wildfire distribution system and associated risk must be used for the Project Baseline.

- e. **Screen 2 Alternative Mitigations Mitigation 1:** This design variation must consist of aboveground hardening including installation of covered conductor on the entire Circuit Segment and some type(s) of protective equipment and device settings¹¹ used to reduce wildfire ignition. The protective equipment and device settings must include protection hardware capable of fast trip and/or sensitive trip settings and modified recloser settings that can be enabled or disabled as needed based on changing conditions in the Tier 2 or 3 HFTD. Additionally, the Large Electrical Corporation must include any additional protection systems and settings that can enhance the safety of the Circuit Segment, as deemed feasible by the Large Electrical Corporation for each project. These may include, but are not limited to, early fault detection, falling conductor protection, high impedance fault protection, rapid earth fault current limiter (REFCL), and partial voltage detection. Examples of existing qualifying programs include Enhanced Powerline Safety Settings (EPSS), Fast Curve Settings, Sensitive Relay Profile (SRP), and Advanced Protection Program. All other applicable aboveground line hardening measures utilized by the Large Electrical Corporation must be included in this design variation unless specific project constraints prevent it.
- f. **Screen 2 Alternative Mitigations Mitigation 2:** This design variation must include one additional mitigation or combination of mitigations that meet or exceed the risk reduction of Alternative Mitigations Mitigation 1. This can include mitigation strategies currently in use by the Large Electrical Corporation or other new and proven technologies that could be reasonably implemented. For example, rapid earth fault current limiter (REFCL), line removal with remote grid, or advanced grid monitoring. The mitigations used in Alternative Mitigations Mitigation 1 may be included in the combination of mitigations chosen for Alternative Mitigations Mitigation 2.
- g. **Screen 3 Alternative Mitigations:** The Alternative Mitigations used in Screen 3 and Screen 4 will be derived from the results of the Screen 2 comparison, and any new information obtained from initial project scoping. The Screen 3 Alternative Mitigations must, at a minimum, include aboveground line hardening, covered conductor and some type of protective equipment and device settings for any line not removed, as in Screen 2 Alternative Mitigations Mitigation 1. The Large Electrical Corporation must also include any other mitigation or combination of mitigations that it has determined would be well-suited for the specific project location.

¹¹ The term Protective Equipment and Device Settings (PEDS) has been defined by the CPUC as advanced safety settings implemented by electric investor-owned utilities (IOUs) on electric utility powerlines to reduce wildfire. (<https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/industries-and-topics/wildfires/protective-equipment-device-settings>, accessed September 09, 2024)

Additional Design Variations:

- **Additional Design Variations:** The Large Electrical Corporation may include additional design variations for any other combination of alternative mitigations that it wishes to report. Any unique combination of Alternative Mitigations that meet the Project-Level Standards and could be reasonably implemented by the Large Electrical Corporation should be included.

In every design variation listed above, only the feasible work should be included. For example, if the Circuit Segment contains a large river crossing, boring under the river should not be included in the design of a fully undergrounded Circuit Segment if its cost is prohibitively high relative to the rest of the project. Instead, a more feasible design must be used, such as an over river crossing, or the use of bridge conduit if available.

In addition to the EUP narratives required in Sections 2.4.4 and 2.4.5, each Progress Report must include a narrative detailing the Large Electrical Corporation's ongoing review of possible Alternative Mitigations. The narrative should detail what mitigations were considered since the last Progress Report, and what factors lead to the continued use of, or change in, the Alternative Mitigations used in the EUP's Project Acceptance Framework. The narrative must also include details on any relevant new and emerging technologies, and how the Large Electrical Corporation is including these technologies in its EUP. For example, the narrative must include updates on any applicable ongoing pilot programs, such as Rapid Earth Fault Current Limiters (REFCL), and details on what Portfolio-Level analysis was done to evaluate the potential benefits of implementation.

2.8 Reporting Metrics

This section contains detailed instructions on how the Large Electrical Corporation will report on its Risk Modeling Methodology, Portfolio of Undergrounding Projects, individual Undergrounding Projects, development of new models, and non-model-based projections. Template files for use by the Large Electrical Corporation will be made available on Docket #2023-UPs at Energy Safety's website. Where possible, Energy Safety and the CPUC reporting requirements will be streamlined and consistent.

2.8.1 Tabular Data Submission

Progress Report 0 and each subsequent Progress Report must include the following tables and reflect the most current information as of each Progress Report submission:

- a. A Plan Table identifying information about the Large Electrical Corporation, the EUP, and thresholds. This [Tabletable](#) is not modified during Progress Reports.
- b. A KDMM Table listing all KDMMs used by the Large Electrical Corporation in its EUP, with explanations. This table is not modified during Progress Reports.

- c. A Risk Model Version History Table listing and describing all iterations of the risk model versioning and calibration to date.
- d. A Portfolio Table that summarizes the Undergrounding Projects at the System-Level and Portfolio-Level.
- e. A Risk Model Backtesting Table listing risk models versioning and calibration information, along with their corresponding KDMM values for each version and calibration.
- f. A Circuit Segment Identification Table that summarizes identifying information for each Circuit Segment in the utility service territory.
- g. A Circuit Segment Changelog Table that tracks changes to Circuit Segment IDs and/or Circuit Segment lengths.
- h. A Circuit Segment Risk Score Table that summarizes the risk values for each Circuit Segment in the utility service territory.
- i. A Screen History Table tracking the progress of each Circuit Segment through the multiple screens required before an Undergrounding Project is constructed.
- j. A Project Table for each project, after passing Screen 2, that details each Undergrounding Project, including risk tranching, selection justification, and location at the county and division level.
- k. A Screen 2 Table comparing the cost and benefit information for each project, after passing Screen 2, against multiple Alternative Mitigations.
- l. A Screen 3 Table comparing the detailed risk modeling projections for each project, after passing Screen 3, against multiple Alternative Mitigations.
- m. A Screen 4 Table comparing the cost and benefit information of the fully scoped Confirmed Project, and the final combination of Alternative Mitigations used in Screen 3.
- n. A Subproject Table listing Subproject IDs, their mitigation selection, and construction information for all Subprojects that are part of Confirmed Projects that have passed Screen 4.
- o. A Project Index Table which summarizes the project information in an easily searchable format. See Appendix C.1.15 of these Guidelines for details.

Details about each table, the requirements for the submission, and other instructions are found in Appendix C.1 of these Guidelines.

2.8.2 JSON Data Submission

The Large Electrical Corporation must submit the following JSON data in each Progress Report, including Progress Report 0:

- a. A Project Variable Modifiers JSON as described in Section 2.8.5.2 and Appendix C of these Guidelines.

- b. A Model Risk Landscape JSON, as described in Appendix C of these Guidelines, with information for each project that has passed Screen 3.

These files must reflect the most current information as of each Progress Report submission. Further details on JSON submissions are in Section 3.11 of these Guidelines and in Appendix C.

The Large Electrical Corporation must convert its JSON data submission into Comma Separated Values (CSV) format and host the CSV files on a publicly available webpage dedicated to its EUP, as described in Section 3.8.1 of these Guidelines.

2.8.3 Spatial Data Reporting for Projects

The Large Electrical Corporation must report additional modeling and Project-Level data through a geodatabase submission. This information will identify isolatable Circuit Segments, Undergrounding Projects, overhead lines that will be deenergized after completion of projects, and critical pieces of infrastructure equipment. The Large Electrical Corporation must update information reported in geodatabase submissions in each Progress Report.

Further details about these submissions are found in Appendix C.3.

2.8.4 Data Validation

Energy Safety will review and validate data and reject data submissions that do not meet the criteria in this section. If a submission fails the validation check and is rejected, the Large Electrical Corporation must correct the errors and resubmit its data as directed by Energy Safety.

Energy Safety will review EUP data submissions according to the following validation criteria:

- a. **Data Consistency:** Data is properly labeled with unique integer identifiers, and labels remain consistent both within a submission and from one submission to another.
- b. **Structural Integrity:** Data conforms to the required types and modes, such that it can be ingested into Energy Safety data systems.
- c. **Completeness:** All required components are included in each submission.
- d. **Computational Accuracy:** All summations and other data aggregations within the submission are calculated accurately.

Additionally, when there is no data for a particular field, the Large Electrical Corporation must leave the field null (empty), except where “N/A” is specified and the conditions for its use are met. The Large Electrical Corporation must not place “Unknown”, “0”, empty spaces, or other placeholders into fields, or use the “Other, see comment” option when no data are available.

2.8.5 Risk Modeling Methodology Verification Data

This section describes the numerical and visual elements that the Large Electrical Corporation must submit to establish the veracity of its Risk Modeling Methodology.

2.8.5.1 Model Risk Landscape Variables Table

The EUP must include a Model Risk Landscape Variables Table as referenced in Section 2.7 of these Guidelines, that lists each metric in the Large Electrical Corporation’s Model Risk Landscape per the example below and report values at the highest available resolution. This table must include the numerical type of each metric, which risk factors that it addresses, the resolution of the modeling, indicate whether the metric is considered a KDMM, and identify what other metric(s) it is a precursor for.

Table 4. Example Model Risk Landscape Variables Table

Field Name	Type	Addresses	Resolution	Is KDMM?	Precursor for
Ignition Risk	TBD	Ignition Risk	Per Circuit Segment	Yes	None
Ignition Consequence	TBD	Ignition Risk	Per Area Unit	Yes	Ignition Risk Score
Ignition Likelihood	Probability	Ignition Risk	Per Circuit Segment	No	Ignition Risk Score
Equipment Risk	TBD	Ignition Risk	Per Circuit Segment	No	Ignition Likelihood, Ignition Consequence, Ignition Risk score
Outage Program Risk	TBD	Outage Program Reliability	Per Circuit Segment	Yes	None
Outage Program Likelihood	Probability	Outage Program Reliability	Per Circuit Segment	Yes	Outage Program Risk

An example table listing the metrics of a model risk landscape and explaining its key attributes.

2.8.5.2 Reporting Project Variable Modifiers

The EUP and each Progress Report (including Progress Report 0) must contain a table summarizing the PVMs as referenced in Section 2.7 and Section 2.8.6 of these Guidelines.

The “Mitigation Type” column describes the nature of the work conducted in the project. The Large Electrical Corporation must, at minimum, consider the Alternative Mitigations described in Section 2.7.10. It may include other alternative methods or divide these types of projects into differentiable sub-types when appropriate.

The “Model” column indicates which models the PVM effects.

The “Inputs Modified” column describes which of the model inputs are changed.

The “Delta” column describes how the inputs are changed, and may be represented as percentages, changes in distribution, changes in category or any other changes to the inputs that the PVM accomplishes.

The “Other Notes” column contains narrative material that clarifies the way that the PVM affects the inputs.

Table 5. Example Project Variable Modifiers Inputs

Mitigation Type	Model	Inputs Modified	Delta	Other Notes
Undergrounding	Equipment Model	Self-Combustion Likelihood	-94 +/- 3%	This PVM has a variable delta depending on the age of the equipment it is replacing.
	Ignition Likelihood Model	Contact From Vegetation	-96%	
		Contact From Object	-94%	
Covered Conductor	Ignition Likelihood Model	Contact From Vegetation	-70%	

An example table listing the Project Variable Modifiers for different mitigation strategies. Note that the table includes what inputs to what models are changed and how they are changed. The Other Notes column allows for a short explanation of the change.

The Large Electrical Corporation must report the effects of applying these PVMs to its Portfolio. The Large Electrical Corporation must compute the distribution of the changes to each KDMM for each mitigation type and report it in a table that will be attached to the Portfolio Coversheet. An example is given below:

Table 6. Example Project Variable Modifiers Outputs

Mitigation Type	KDMM	Change	Variance
Undergrounding	Ignition Risk	-90%	+/-5%
	Ignition Likelihood	-90%	+/-5%
	Outage Program Risk	-40%	+/-5%
Covered Conductor	Ignition Risk	-90%	+/-5%
	Ignition Likelihood	-90%	+/-5%
	Outage Program Risk	-40%	+/-5%

An example table showing how the Project Variable Modifiers for different mitigation strategies effects KDMMs on average. It reports the mean and variance.

2.8.5.3 Verifying and Validating New Model Versions

If the Large Electrical Corporation changes its Risk Modeling Methodology in a way that triggers a versioning update, it must backtest the new models using historical data back to the start of the EUP. These backtests must include a Project-Level analysis of each Confirmed Project that passed through Screen 3 (Project Risk Analysis) in that time. These backtests must also include Portfolio Coversheets corresponding to each calibration employed since the previous update.

The results of these tests must be submitted as an additional data submission following the data schema established in Appendix C.

2.8.6 Reporting a Portfolio of Undergrounding Projects

The Large Electrical Corporation must establish a naming system to track the evolution of the Portfolio over time. Adding or removing any project to or from the Portfolio constitutes a

Portfolio update and will be indicated by incrementing some value(s) in name. The plan can only have one Portfolio.

2.8.6.1 Portfolio Coversheet Overview

The Portfolio Coversheet is a text document which summarizes the macro-level impacts of the EUP. The Large Electrical Corporation must submit the Portfolio Coversheet in Progress Report 0 and each subsequent Progress Report. The content of the Portfolio Coversheet must be updated with the most up-to-date information available in each Progress Report.

The figures and tables in the Portfolio Coversheet will summarize the most important aspects of the risk modeling at the System-Level and Portfolio-Level, and must be accompanied by a data submission as detailed in Appendix C.

The Portfolio Coversheet must include a narrative section which details the formal definition and calculations of the Portfolio-Level Standards as directed in Section 2.7.8 of these Guidelines.

The Portfolio Coversheet must include a narrative of no more than one page explaining why any Circuit Segment in the top 5% of Overall Utility Risk by score was not included in the EUP.

The Portfolio Coversheet must include a table showing the instantaneous and cumulative values or scores for each KDMM at 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 55 years. The instantaneous values describe the risk at a single moment in time, while the cumulative values indicate the accumulation over a time. Values that do not accumulate over time, such as consequence scores, must be reported as a value at a given time.

2.8.6.2 System and Portfolio-Level Risk Matrices and Profiles for Key Decision-Making Metrics

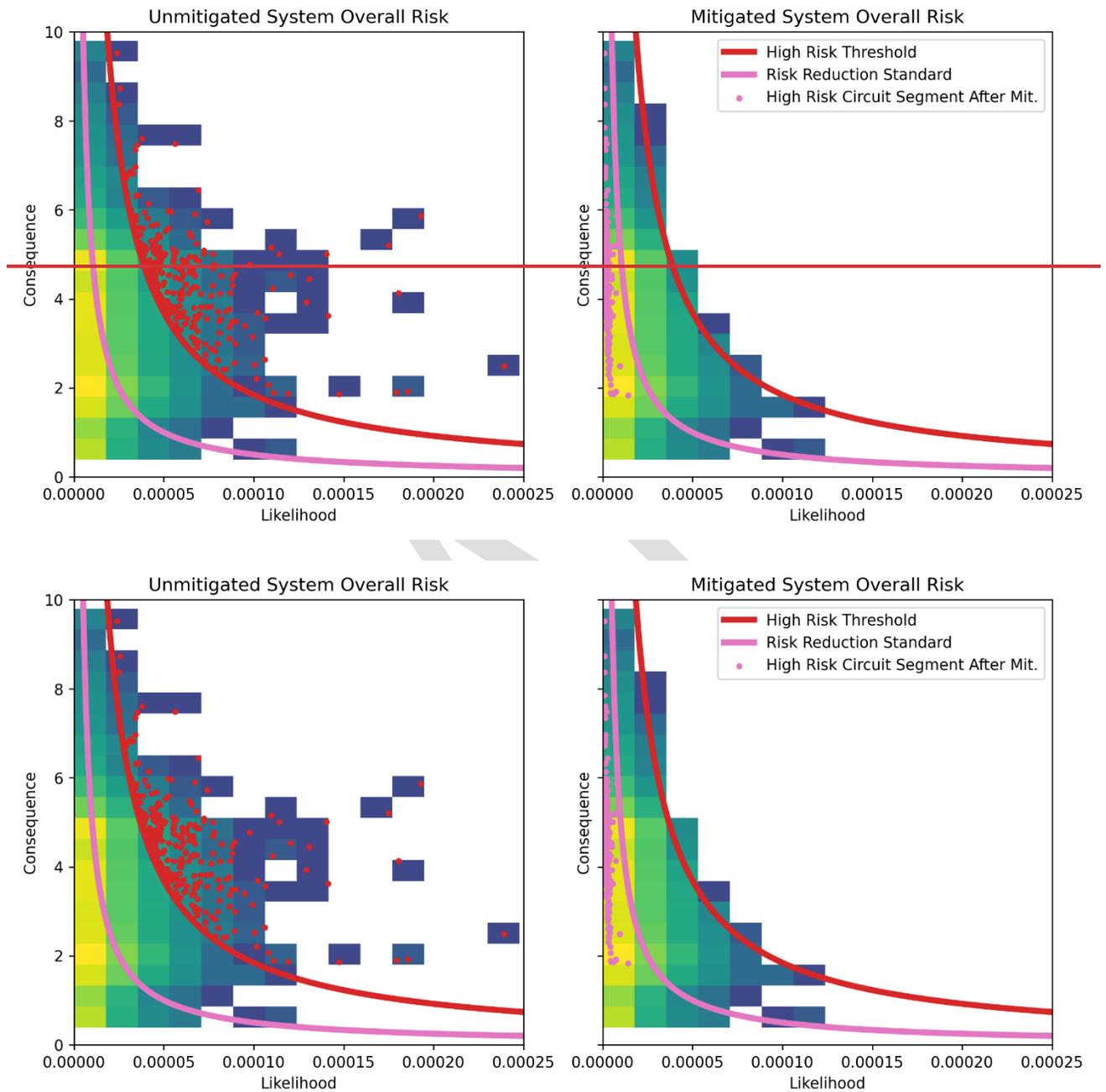
The EUP must include a series of visualizations and tables for each of the KDMMs showing the KDMM's distribution both with and without the Portfolio's modeled mitigation. These visualizations will be included in the Portfolio Coversheet.

On the Portfolio Coversheet, each KDMM's distribution must be reported on both a system-wide and Portfolio-wide scale and emphasize the position of projects within the Risk Landscape. Every figure and table on the Portfolio Coversheet must include a caption explaining the figure.

Risk scores, the product of likelihood and consequence, must be reported as two-dimensional risk matrices. Risk scores can be weighted if appropriate. Two examples of risk score matrices for Ignition Risk are presented below (Figures [4-73-6](#)), followed by another example of a risk score matrix for Outage Program Risk (Figures [8-97-10](#)).

Examples are given below. Note that the units and scales are not meant to be realistic and are for illustrative purposes only.

Figure 3. Example of Risk Score Matrix Demonstrating Substantial Improvements in Overall Utility Risk Expected due to EUP



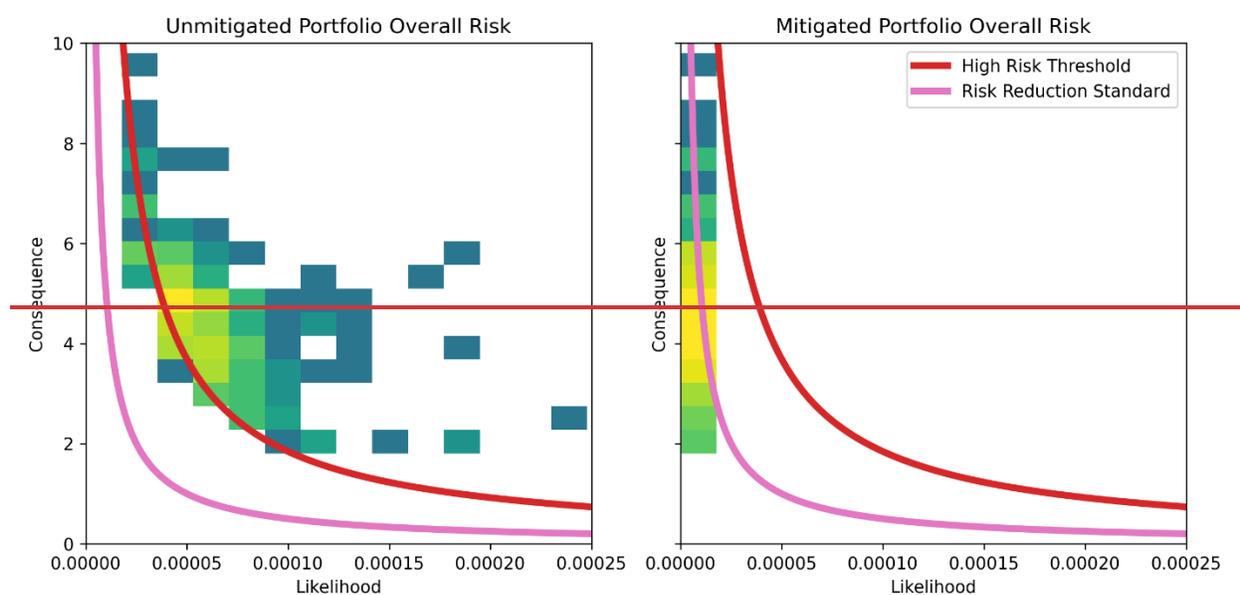
Demonstration of substantial improvements in Overall Utility Risk expected due to EUP, using only Overall Utility Risk as a KDM. Each plot shows potential Adverse Event Consequence on the y-axis (in arbitrary units), and Adverse Event Likelihood on the x-axis (in arbitrary units), considering both Outage Program Risk and Ignition Risk. The distribution of a model system of Circuit Segments is shown using the heatmap in background. The red line shows the High-Risk

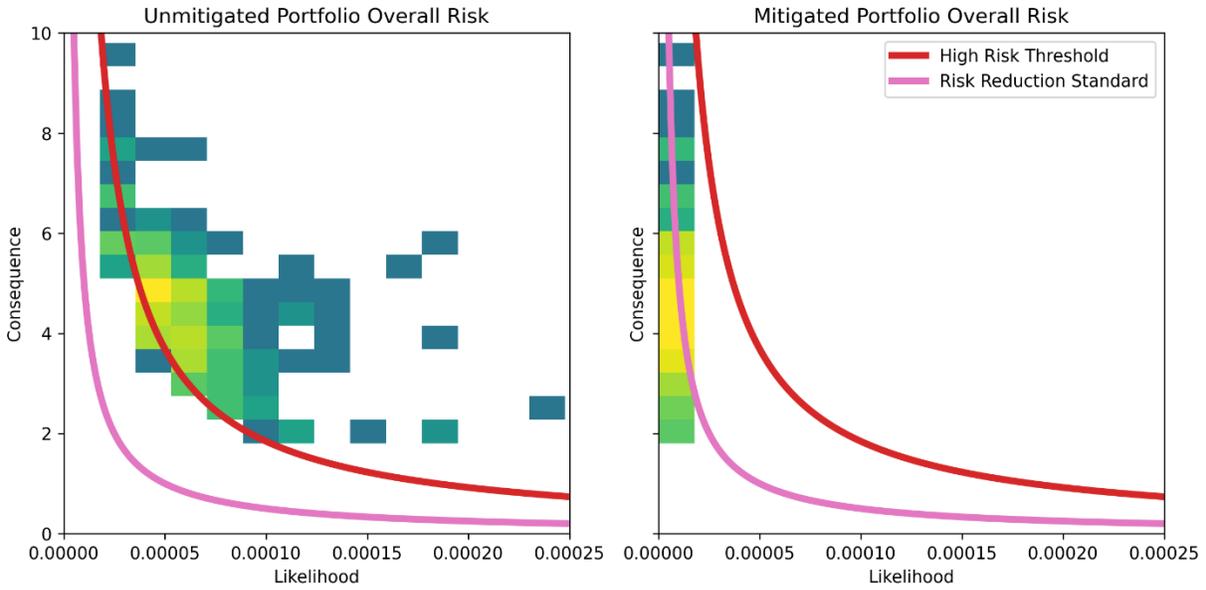
Threshold used to identify projects to underground, and the pink line is the Overall Utility Risk Decrease Project-Level Standard required for projects to reach after mitigation.

Left: Data for the electrical distribution system, before any EUP mitigations have taken place. The red points represent all Circuit Segments selected for Undergrounding, which are selected because they are found above the High-Risk Threshold line.

Right: Data for the full system after Undergrounding. The heatmap has changed to reflect the Circuit Segments moving to lower likelihood. Pink points represent the same selected Circuit Segments after mitigation.

Figure 4. Example of Risk Score Matrix for Portfolio-Level Overall Utility Risk



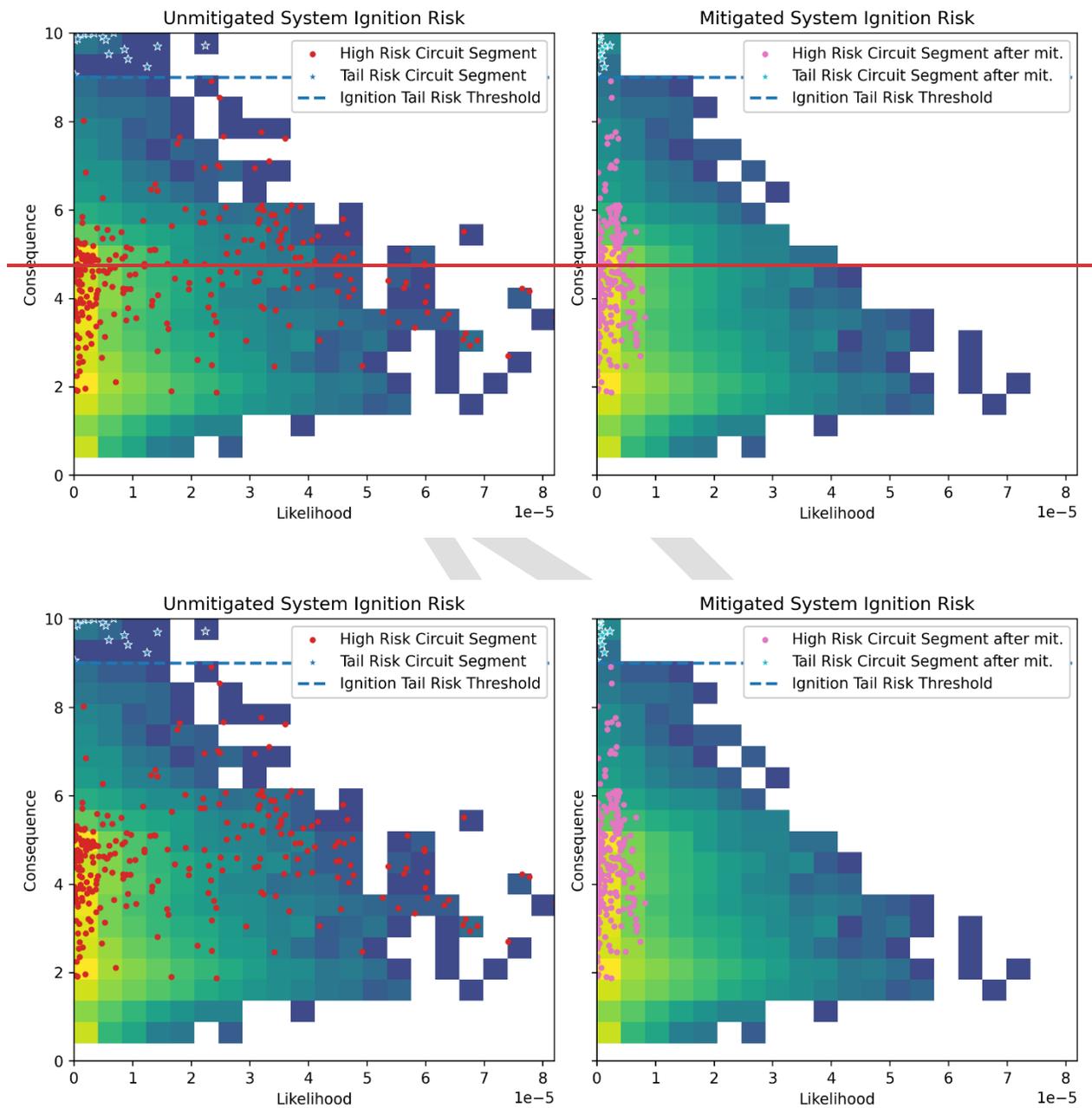


Same as Figure 3, but only showing the heatmap of the Portfolio, not the full system.

Left: The Portfolio prior to mitigation. Right: The same Portfolio after mitigations are applied.

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Figure 5. Example of Risk Score Matrix for Demonstration of Substantial Improvements in Ignition Risk



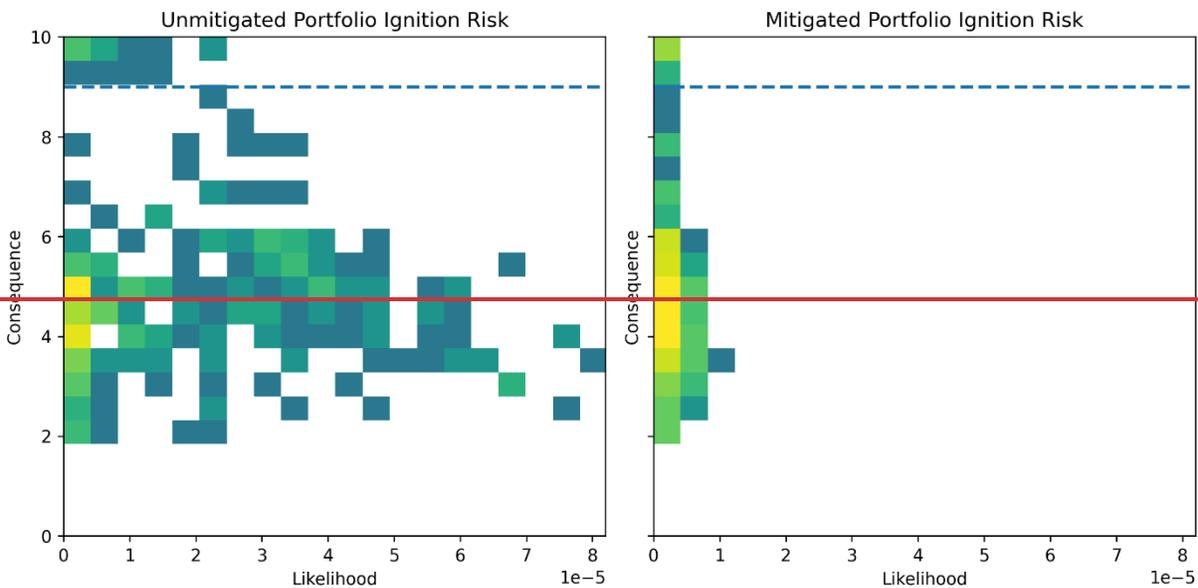
A demonstration of substantial improvements in Ignition Risk expected due to EUP, using overall risk (of Outage Programs and Ignition Risk), as well as wildfire consequence, as KDMMs. Each plot shows potential Ignition Consequence on the y-axis (in arbitrary units), and Ignition Likelihood on the x-axis (in arbitrary units). The distribution of a model system of Circuit

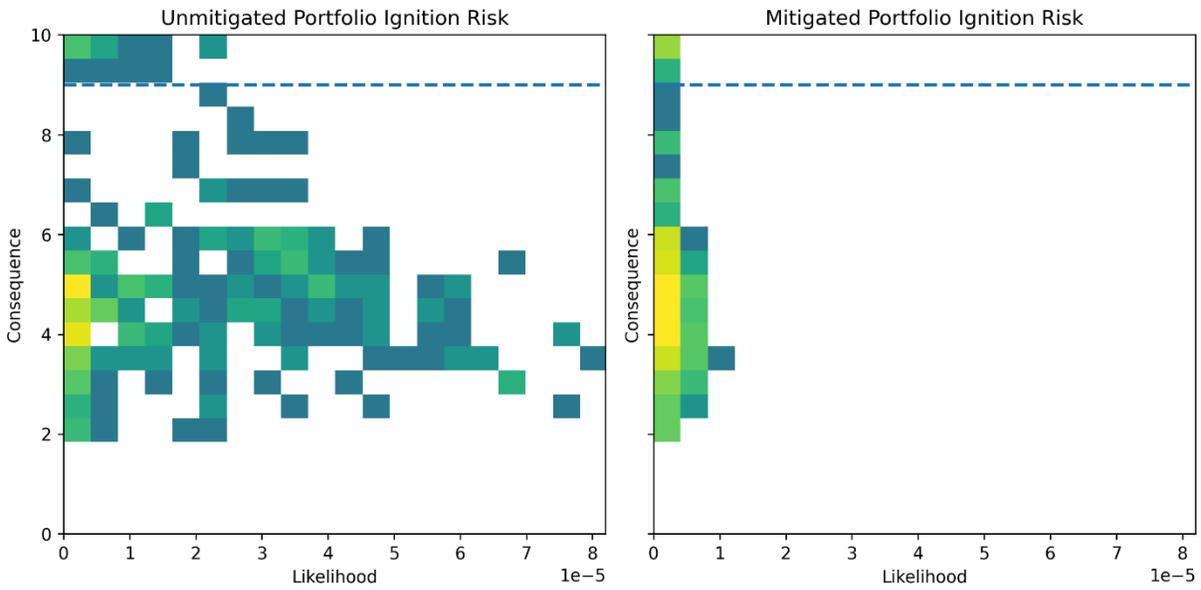
Segments is shown using the heatmap in background, with the Ignition Tail Risk Threshold shown as a blue dotted line.

Left: Data for the electrical distribution system, before any EUP mitigations have taken place. The red points represent all Circuit Segments selected for Undergrounding due to high overall risk, and blue stars represent the Circuit Segments selected for exceeding the Ignition Tail Risk Threshold.

Right: Data for the full system after Undergrounding. The heatmap has changed to reflect the Circuit Segments moving to lower likelihood. Pink points and teal stars represent the same selected high-risk and tail-risk Circuit Segments, respectively, after mitigation.

Figure 6. Example Risk Score Matrix for Portfolio-Level Ignition Risk

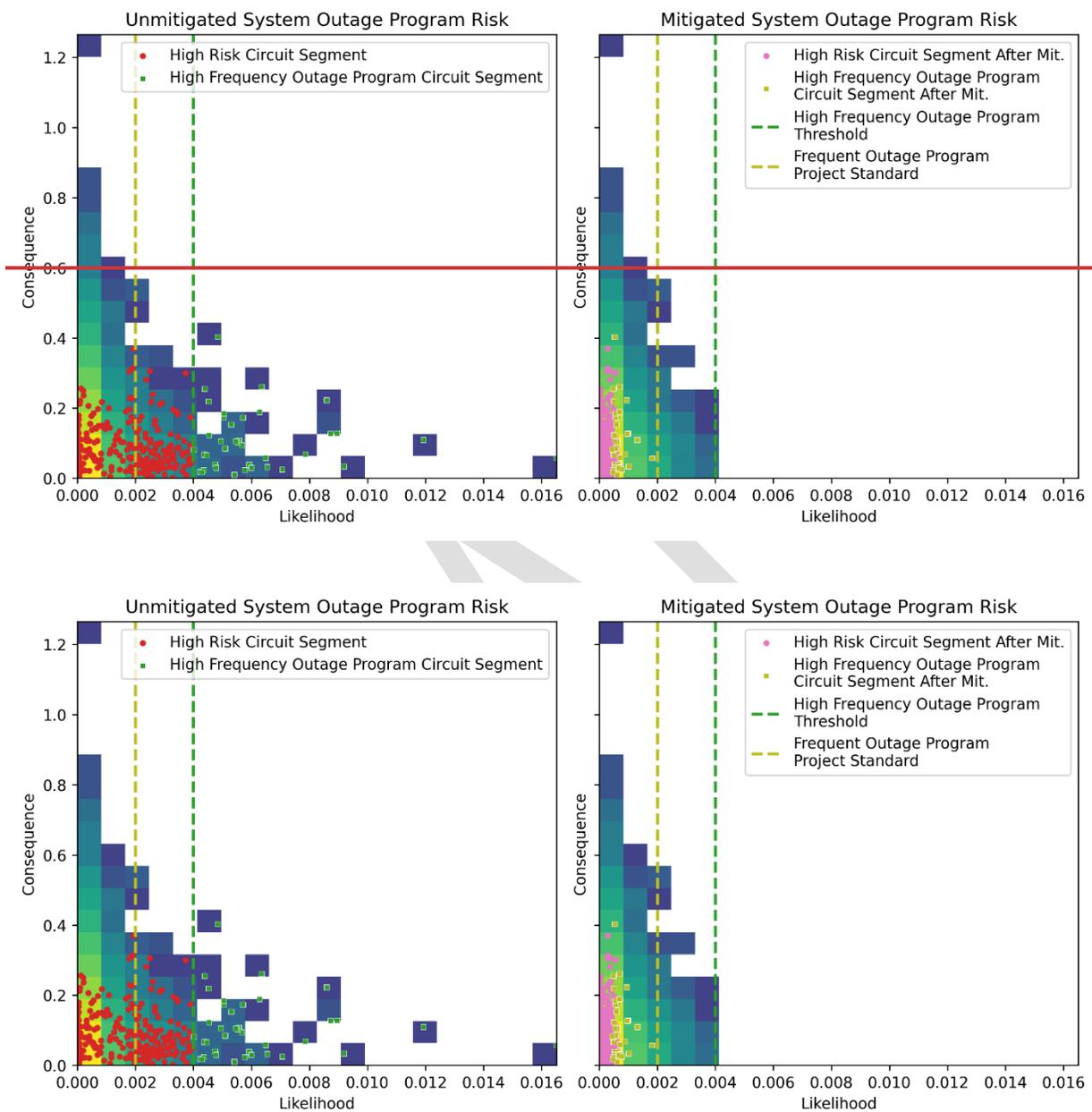




Same as Figure 5, but only showing the heatmap of the Portfolio of projects, not the full system.
 Left: The Portfolio prior to mitigation. Right: The same Portfolio after mitigations are applied.

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Figure 7. Example of Risk Score Matrix for Demonstration of Substantial Improvement in Outage Program Risk



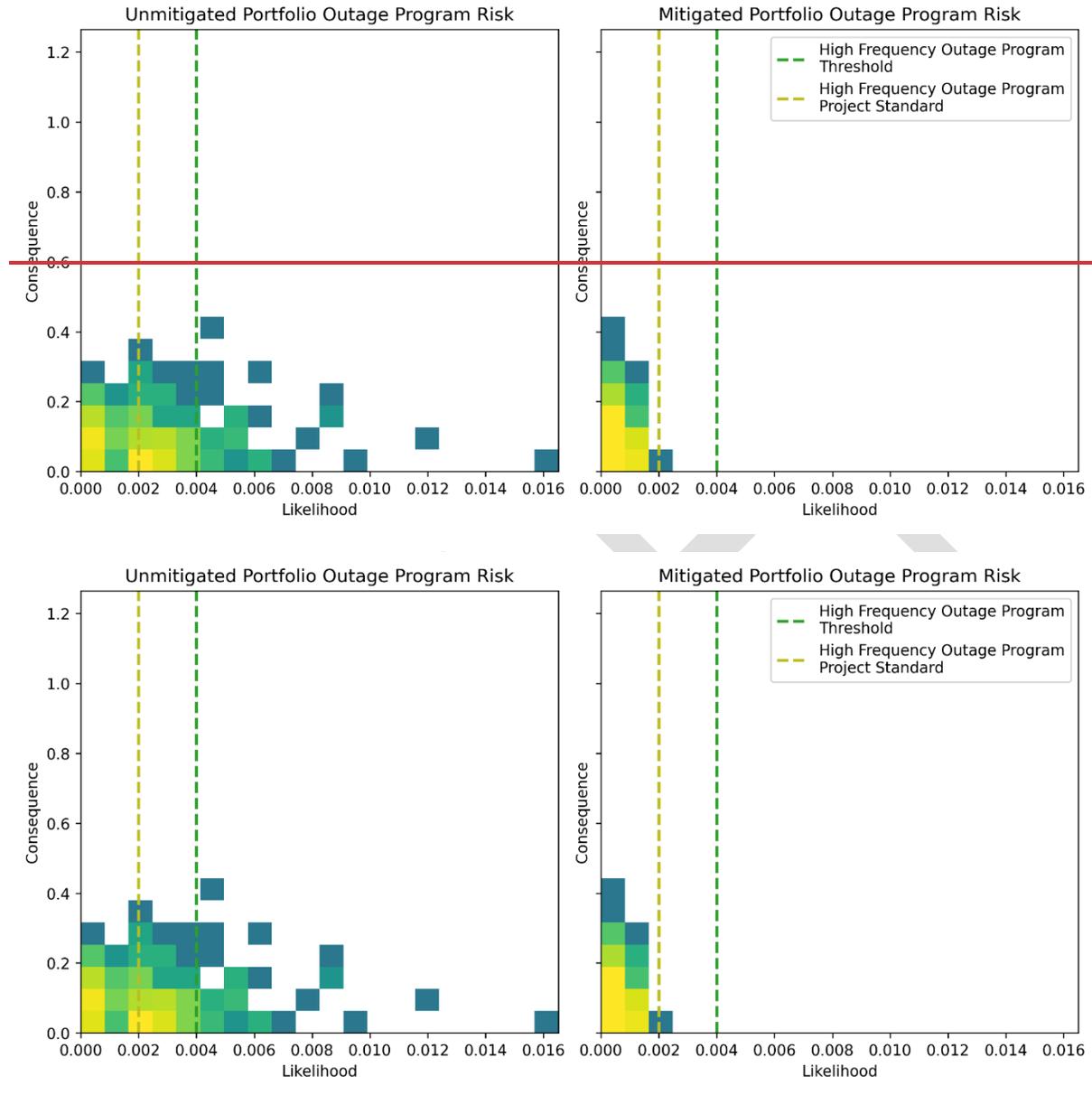
Demonstration of substantial improvement in Outage Program Risk expected due to EUP, using overall risk (of Outage Programs and Ignition Risk), as well as Outage Program Likelihood, as KDMMs. Each plot shows potential Outage Program Consequence on the y-axis (in arbitrary units), and Outage Program Likelihood on the x-axis (in arbitrary units). The distribution of a model system of Circuit Segments is shown using the heatmap in background, with High

Frequency Outage Program Threshold shown as a green dotted line and High Frequency Outage Program Project-Level Standard is shown as an olive dotted line.

Left: Data for the electrical distribution system, before any EUP mitigations have taken place. The red points represent all Circuit Segments selected for Undergrounding due to high overall risk, and green squares represent the Circuit Segments selected exceeding the High Frequency Outage Program Threshold.

Right: Data for the full system after Undergrounding. The heatmap has changed to reflect the Circuit Segments moving to lower likelihood. Pink points and olive squares represent the same selected High-Risk and High Frequency Outage Program Circuit Segments, respectively, after mitigation.

Figure 8. Example Risk Matrix for Portfolio-Level Outage Program Risk



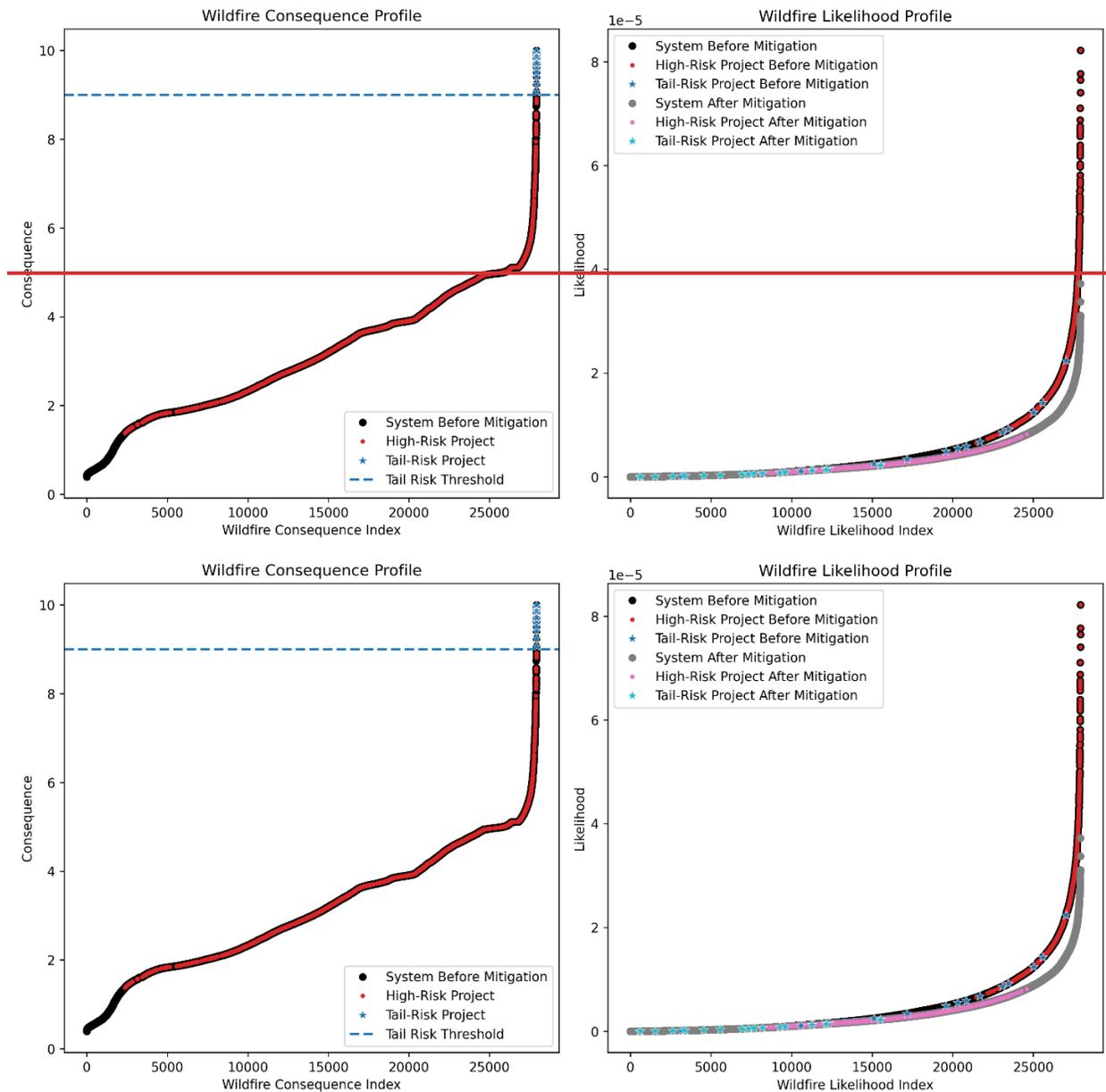
Same as Figure 7, but only showing the heatmap of the Portfolio of projects, not the full system.

Left: The Portfolio prior to mitigation. Right: The same Portfolio after mitigations are applied. Ignition Likelihood and Ignition Consequence are reported as profiles, ranked in ascending order.

The Ignition Consequence Profile must indicate the Large Electrical Corporation's Ignition Tail Risk Threshold. Outage Program Likelihood and Outage Program Consequence must be reported similarly to Ignition Likelihood and Ignition Consequence. The System Outage Program Likelihood Profile must indicate the Large Electrical Corporation's High Frequency Outage Program Threshold and High Frequency Outage Program Project-Level Standard.

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Figure 9. Example of Ignition Consequence and Likelihood Profiles



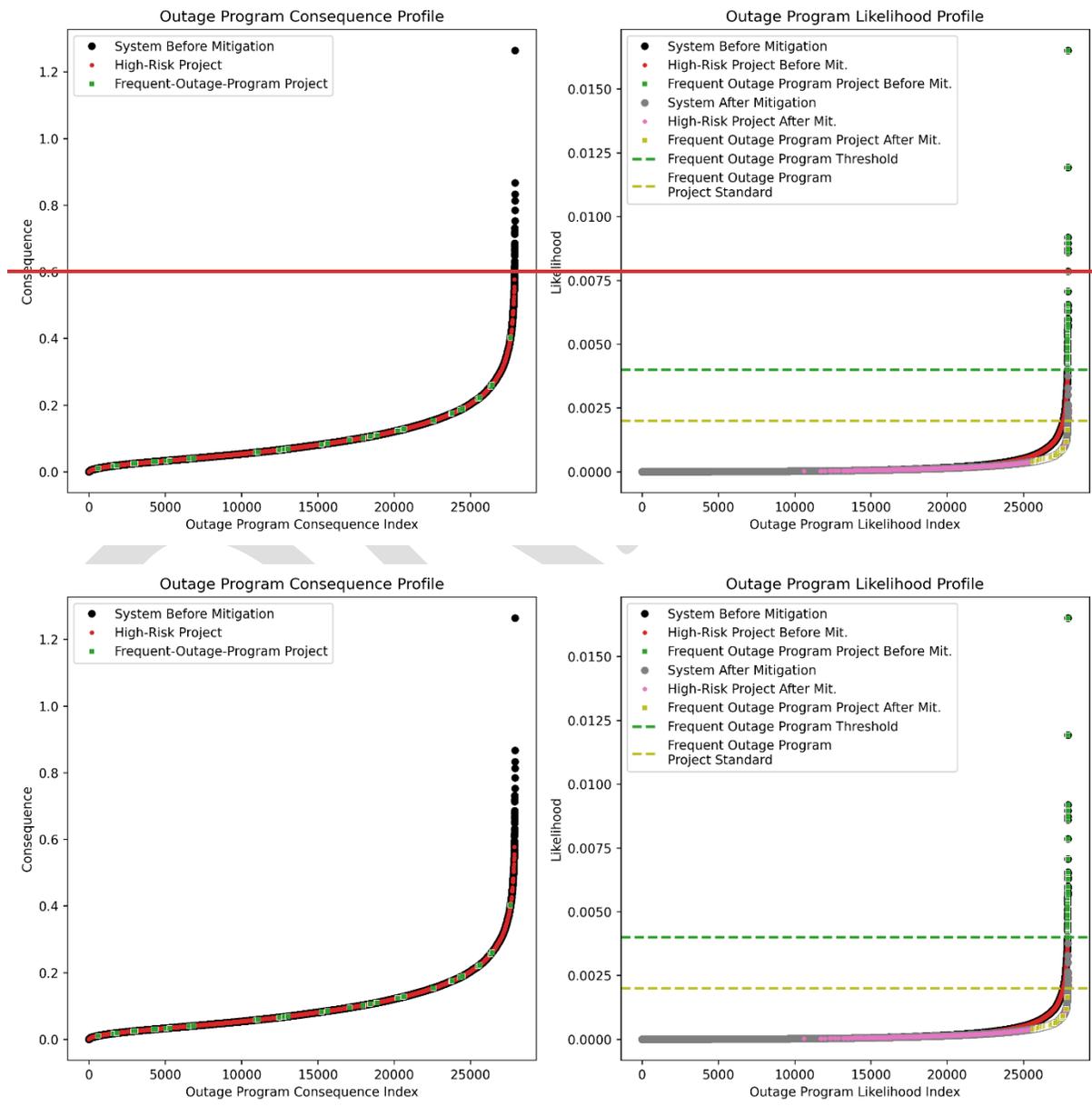
Ignition Consequence and Likelihood Profiles, showing selected Circuit Segments using Ignition Risk and wildfire consequence as KDMMs.

Left: All Circuit Segments within the system ordered from lowest to highest consequence, with the y-axis showing consequence scores (arbitrary units). The blue line is the Tail Risk Threshold for selection via Ignition Consequence, and blue stars are Circuit Segments above this line. Red dots indicate High-Risk Projects, selected due to high Ignition Risk. Because the mitigations

considered here can only impact likelihood and not consequence of wildfire, there is no change to this graph after mitigation.

Right: All Circuit Segments within the system ordered from lowest to highest Ignition Likelihood, with the y-axis showing likelihood scores (arbitrary units). Red points and blue stars are the same Circuit Segments as in the leftmost plot, though they are not ranked in the same order. Plotted over this is the system after mitigation (grey points), with the pink points and cyan stars showing the undergrounded high-risk (red points) and tail-risk (blue stars) Circuit Segments, respectively.

Figure 10. Example Outage Program Consequence and Likelihood Profiles



Outage Program Consequence and Likelihood Profiles showing selected Circuit Segments using Outage Program Risk and Outage Program Consequence as KDMMs.

Left: All Circuit Segments within the system ordered from lowest to highest consequence, with the y-axis showing consequence scores (arbitrary units). Green squares are Undergrounding Projects selected because their Outage Program Likelihood exceeds the High Frequency Outage Program Threshold (see right-side plot). Red dots indicate High-Risk Projects, selected due to high Outage Program Risk. Because the mitigations considered here can only impact likelihood and not consequence of Outage Programs, there is no change to this graph after mitigation.

Right: All Circuit Segments within the system ordered from lowest to highest Outage Program Likelihood, with the y-axis showing likelihood scores (arbitrary units). The green line is the High Frequency Outage Program Threshold for selection via Outage Program Likelihood, and the olive line is the standard for likelihood reduction. Green squares are Circuit Segments above the green line, and olive squares are the same segments after mitigation, which will fall below the olive line. Red points and green squares are the same Circuit Segments as in the leftmost plot, though they are not ranked in the same order. Plotted over this is the system after mitigation (grey points), with the pink points and olive stars showing the undergrounded high-risk and high frequency outage Circuit Segments, respectively.

The Large Electrical Corporation must report other KDMMs similarly. The visualizations must demonstrate the distribution of the metric over the entire system and within the scope of the Portfolio separately. Additionally, the visualizations must illustrate the Large Electrical Corporation's approximation of its risk profile both before and after the proposed mitigations. Note that these visualizations are not meant to be a comprehensive examination of the EUP, but rather a summary of the most critical metrics.

The Large Electrical Corporation must indicate how it computes the integration, summation, quadrature, or likelihood estimation used to compute this accumulation in its definition of these terms (See Section 2.7.6 of these Guidelines [for](#) more details).

This discussion will include any discount rates, risk-attitude weights or other user parameters used to model the accumulation of risk over time.

Each of these metrics must be reported for both the Baseline regime and the Portfolio at the System-Level and Portfolio-Level as detailed in Appendix C.1 and C.2.

2.8.6.3 Portfolio Development

The Large Electrical Corporation must detail its system for tracking changes in the Portfolio of Undergrounding Projects over time as well as the consistency of its modeling updates.

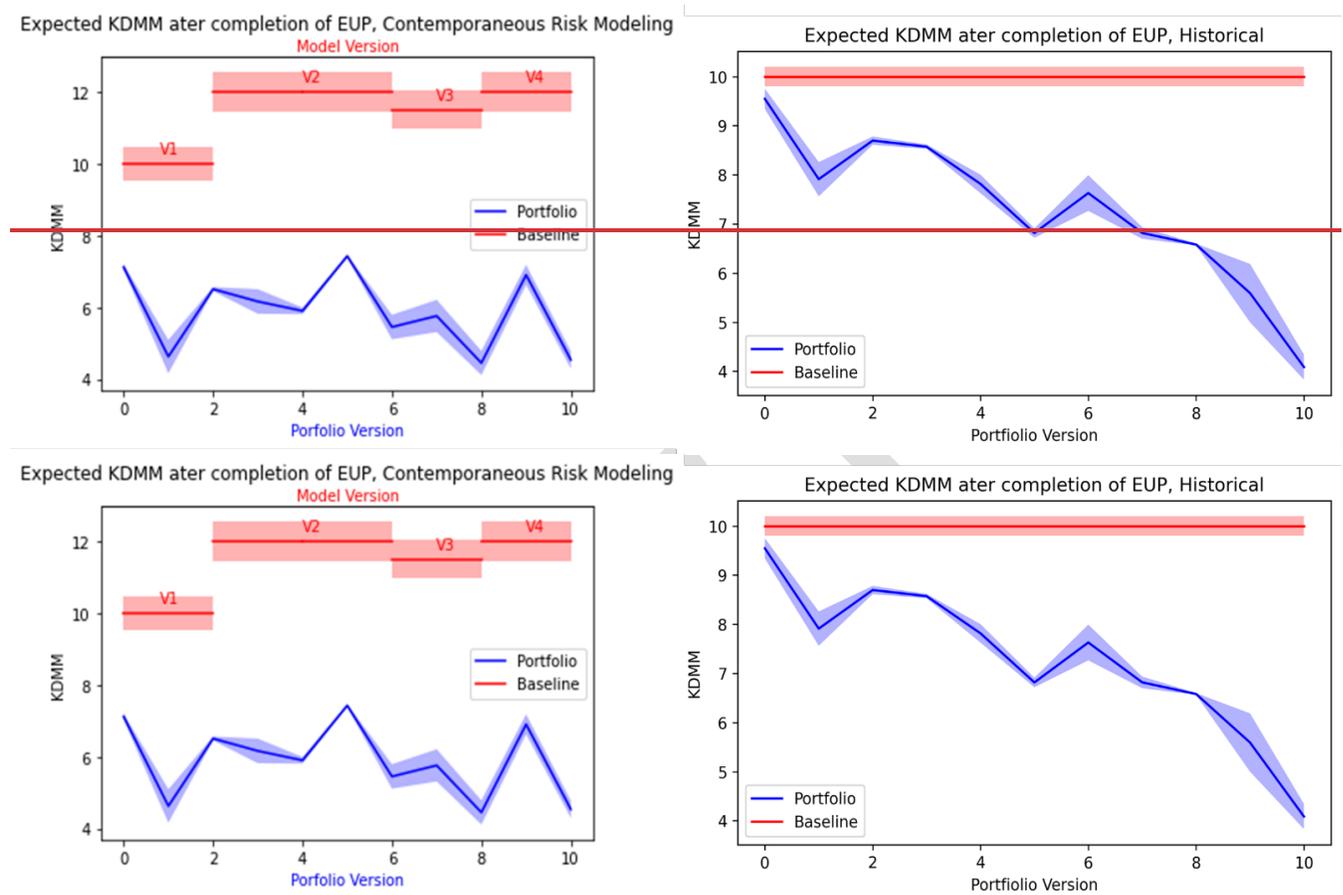
The Large Electrical Corporation must track how its Portfolio of Undergrounding Projects has changed over the duration of the EUP by applying the most up-to-date modeling system version and calibration to each of the historical Portfolios considered during the lifetime of the EUP.

The Large Electrical Corporation must summarize this information in each Progress Report, including Progress Report 0, by creating two plots for each KDMM showing their mean value and first standard variation, measured over the total Portfolio footprint. The total Portfolio footprint is defined as the union of all Circuit Segments included in any Portfolio.

The first plot must show the instantaneous value of the KDMM after the EUP has been completed, as measured by the most recent version and calibration of Risk Modeling Methodology, compared to the Baseline at the beginning of the plan, as measured by the most recent version of the Risk Modeling Methodology.

The second plot must show the same metrics but measured by the version of the Risk Modeling Methodology that was most recent at the time the Portfolio was updated. An example of a KDMM graph is shown below:

Figure 11. Example KDMM Development

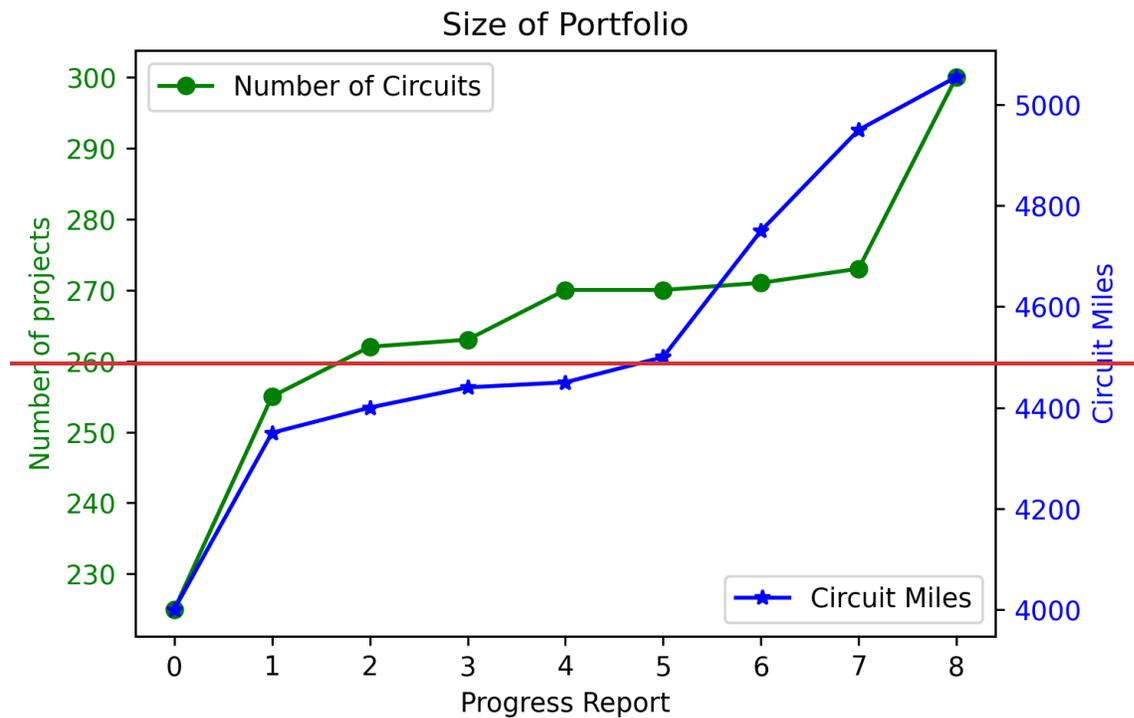


Left: A plot showing a KDMM’s Baseline (red) and modeled value after EUP mitigation (blue) using the most recent version of the model evaluation. The x-axis denotes a different version of the Portfolio.

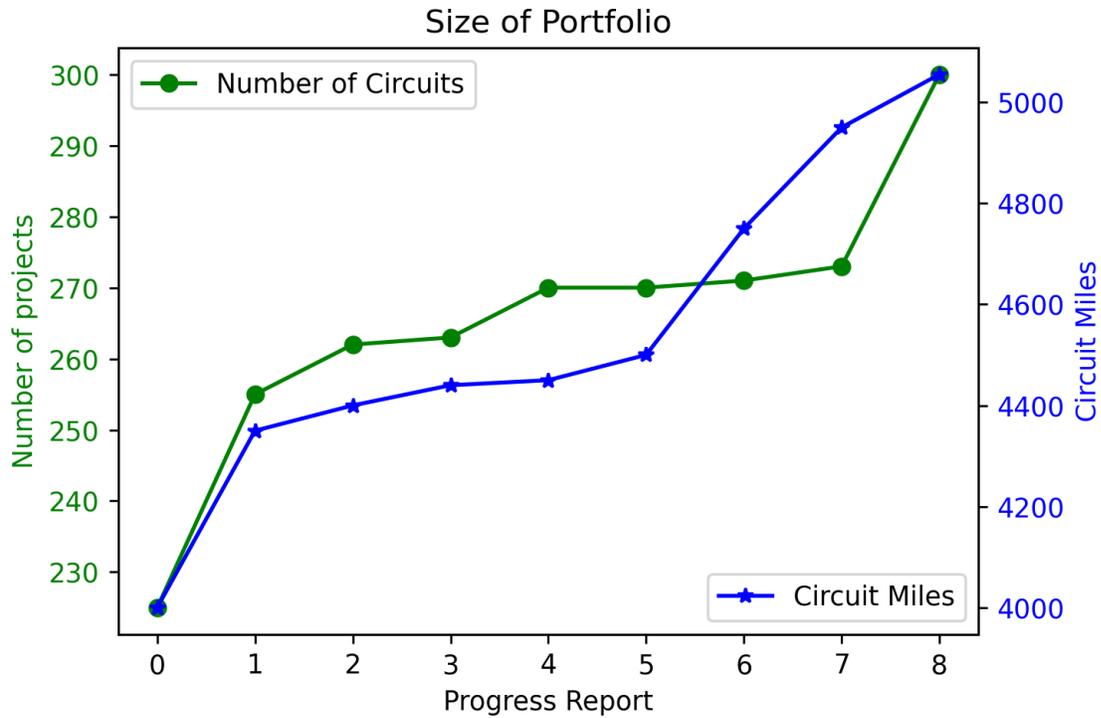
Right: A plot showing a KDMM’s Baseline (red) and modeled value after EUP mitigation (blue) using the version of the Risk Modeling Methodology which was most recent at the time the Portfolio was updated.

The Large Electrical Corporation must report a graph showing the size of each Portfolio as measured in total Undergrounding Projects and total circuit miles. The graph must include representations of complete and ongoing Undergrounding Projects.

Figure 12. Example Portfolio Development Over Progress Reports



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An example figure showing the size of the Portfolio over different Progress Reports. The left y-axis shows the number of projects (green line), and the right y-axis shows circuit miles.

2.8.6.4 Portfolio Coversheet Organization

The Portfolio Cover sheet must be organized as follows:

Table 7. Portfolio Coversheet Organization

Section	Requirements
Narrative Justification	See Section 2.8.6.1 of these Guidelines
Key Decision-Making Metrics Profiles	See Section 2.8.6.2 of these Guidelines
Project Variable Modifiers	See Section 2.7.7 of these Guidelines
Portfolio Development	See Section 2.8.6.3 of these Guidelines

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3. Process and Evaluation

This section sets forth the procedural direction and evaluation process for an EUP that is submitted to Energy Safety pursuant to section 8388.5.

3.1 Plan Pre-Submission Review

3.1.1 Purpose of Pre-Submission Review

Energy Safety will first assess the Large Electrical Corporation's EUP for completeness based on the statutory requirements and these Guidelines. The EUP submission must, at a minimum, contain each of the required components outlined in section 8388.5 and these Guidelines as described below in the pre-submission checklist.

The pre-submission review is a review for completeness and inclusion of each of the items on the checklist below; the substantive review of the EUP content occurs during the EUP evaluation process.

3.1.2 Pre-Submission Review Process

Ten business days prior to transmitting an EUP to Energy Safety for pre-submission review, the Large Electrical Corporation must notify Energy Safety of its intent to submit an EUP for a pre-submission review by sending an e-mail to ElectricalUndergroundingPlans@energysafety.ca.gov.

After notifying Energy Safety that it will be submitting an EUP for a pre-submission review, the Large Electrical Corporation is required to meet and confer with Energy Safety staff to discuss the contents of the forthcoming EUP pre-submission.

The Large Electrical Corporation must provide a copy of the EUP pre-submission for Energy Safety review.

Energy Safety uses the Pre-Submission Checklist below to confirm that all content required by section 8388.5 and these Guidelines is included and that each item appropriately cross-references the relevant section(s)/ or sub-section(s) of the EUP. If information for an item on the Pre-Submission Checklist is not included in the EUP pre-submission, Energy Safety marks this element as incomplete.

The Pre-Submission Checklist includes the following:

- a. The EUP has provided a narrative for each section and sub-section in the EUP. If the EUP contains a blank section, an inapplicable cross reference, or insufficient detail, Energy Safety marks this element incomplete.
- b. The EUP has addressed all components of the EUP that have been identified in section 8388.5(c).

- c. The EUP has addressed the requirements outlined in section 8388.5(d)(2).
- d. The EUP has addressed the requirements related to the inclusion of a Project Acceptance Framework.
- e. The EUP includes the objectives and targets developed by the Large Electrical Corporation for tracking and evaluation purposes (including all of the objectives and targets required by these Guidelines).
- f. The EUP has included the list of Undergrounding Projects.
- g. The EUP has responded to requirements related to data and modeling submissions, including model versioning and calibration, and including the data validation requirements in Section 2.8.4.
- h. The EUP has submitted the required Portfolio Coversheets.

The Large Electrical Corporation must include a pre-submission review cover sheet that documents the page number(s) of where each item on the Pre-Submission Checklist can be found in the submitted EUP. The pre-submission review cover sheet may not reference internal cross-references and must reference the direct page number.

Energy Safety makes a determination and informs the Large Electrical Corporation of its findings.

- a. If a Large Electrical Corporation's EUP satisfies the pre-submission review, Energy Safety will instruct the Large Electrical Corporation to submit its EUP as-is, with no changes.
- b. If a Large Electrical Corporation's EUP does not satisfy the pre-submission review, Energy Safety will notify the Large Electrical Corporation as to the missing or incomplete information (i.e., incomplete, not fully referenced, or unsubstantiated statutory compliance checklist).

After Energy Safety affirms that the EUP pre-submission contains the required contents, Energy Safety will open a docket for the EUP, and the Large Electrical Corporation can submit the EUP for evaluation.

Energy Safety will not accept public comments on the EUP pre-submission or review.

3.2 Large Electrical Corporation EUP Submission

Appendix B to these Guidelines contains specific instructions for narrative and other content. A Large Electrical Corporation must submit all documents referenced in the EUP, to the docket established for that Large Electrical Corporation's EUP. In addition, the Large Electrical Corporation must mail five hard copies, excluding appendices, of the EUP to:

Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety
Attn: Deputy Director, Electrical Infrastructure Directorate
715 P Street, 15th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Data submissions must be made following the data requirements in these Guidelines including Appendix C.

The nine-month statutory period for Energy Safety to review the EUP starts on the date the EUP is filed for evaluation.

Five business days prior to submitting an EUP for evaluation the Large Electrical Corporation must notify Energy Safety of its intent to submit by sending an e-mail to ElectricalUndergroundingPlans@energysafety.ca.gov.

3.2.1 Confidentiality

The submission process for submitting confidential information is set forth in section 29200 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

3.2.2 Format

Every document submitted to Energy Safety must comply with the formatting requirements below.

- a. Electronically filed documents shall be word searchable and accessible as directed in these Guidelines.
- b. Paper documents must be:
 - i. Typewritten or otherwise mechanically printed;
 - ii. On paper 11 inches long and 8 ½ inches wide;
 - iii. Printed on both sides of the page if feasible; and
 - iv. Bound securely.
- c. Both electronic and paper documents must:
 - i. Be in a clear, easily readable font of at least 11 points;
 - ii. Have consecutively numbered pages; and
 - iii. Include the following information on the first page:
 - Name of the docket;
 - Number of the docket; and
 - Title of the document.

- d. For electronic documents, signatures may be electronic.¹²

3.3 Evaluation of Plan

Energy Safety will evaluate the EUP pursuant to the requirements of sections 8388.5(c) and (d)(2) and may approve or deny an EUP or issue a Modification Notice (see Section 3.5 below) if there are deficiencies in the EUP or supporting documents.¹³

An EUP has met the requirements of sections 8388.5(c) and (d)(2) when Energy Safety determines that the Large Electrical Corporation has demonstrated that the EUP will substantially increase electrical reliability by reducing the use of Public Safety Power Shutoffs, Enhanced Powerline Safety Settings, deenergization events, and any other outage programs, and substantially reduce the risk of wildfire.

To make a determination of whether the EUP has met the requirements, Energy Safety will consider the following.

- a. The EUP responds to the requirements contained in section 8388.5(c) and (d)(2) and these EUP Guidelines.
- b. The EUP is supported by the risk profiles reported by the Large Electrical Corporation in the initial Baseline and other data sources.
- c. The EUP is supported by results from modeling and data analytics provided pursuant to statutory and guidelines requirements.
- d. The Project Acceptance Framework is feasible and effective.
- e. The plan objectives and targets (including the Plan Mitigation Objective and the Plan Tracking Objectives) are adequate for tracking progress and compliance beginning on the start date of the 10-year period for the EUP.
- f. The data submitted is consistent with the data reporting requirements and the modeling methodology reported in the EUP.
- g. The EUP approach for model retention, data submission, identification of Wildfire Rebuild Areas and other activities that continue for the life of the EUP are feasible and effective.

To assess the EUP, Energy Safety may rely upon the following:

- a. The Large Electrical Corporation's EUP, including errata;
- b. Public and stakeholder comments;

¹² Gov. Code, § 16.5.

¹³ Energy Safety's evaluation and decision on the EUP is not an approval of, or agreement with, costs associated with the EUP, which will be subject to review and approval by CPUC.

- c. Current and past WMPs;
- d. The Large Electrical Corporation's data submissions;
- e. The Large Electrical Corporation's responses to data requests; and
- f. Any other information Energy Safety may require for the evaluation of the Large Electrical Corporation's EUP.

3.4 Errata

An errata is a correction of published text and does not include modifications required by Energy Safety as part of the Modification Notice process.

A Large Electrical Corporation may submit an errata as follows:

Substantive Errata: If within the first 10 days after the date on which the Large Electrical Corporation submitted its complete EUP, the Large Electrical Corporation may submit the substantive errata directly to the docket. After that time, the Large Electrical Corporation must request permission through written request to the Deputy Director prior to filing a substantive errata.

Nonsubstantive Errata: Nonsubstantive errata are minor corrections to fix typographical and clerical errors, and other obvious, inadvertent errors and omissions. If within the first 30 days after the date on which the Large Electrical Corporation submitted its complete EUP, the Large Electrical Corporation may submit nonsubstantive errata directly to the docket. After 30 days, the Large Electrical Corporation must request permission through written request to the Deputy Director prior to filing a nonsubstantive errata.

Classification of errata as substantive or nonsubstantive is solely within the discretion of Energy Safety.

When submitting errata or a request to submit errata to the Deputy Director, the Large Electrical Corporation must include the following:

- a. A cover letter with a summary of the corrections, including:
 - i. Whether the Large Electrical Corporation asserts its errata submission is substantive or nonsubstantive;
 - ii. The EUP page number, section number, and table or figure number (if applicable) of the corrections;
 - iii. A description of the corrections; and
 - iv. Reason for the corrections.
- b. A redline of the page or pages of the EUP showing the corrections.

If a Large Electrical Corporation submits errata to its EUP, and Energy Safety approves the EUP, the Large Electrical Corporation must submit a final version of its EUP to the docket that includes all previously submitted errata within 10 days of Energy Safety's decision approving

the EUP. This final version must also include changes resulting from a Modification Notice, as further discussed below. A Large Electrical Corporation must not include any other changes in the final version of its EUP, unless otherwise directed by Energy Safety.

Energy Safety may allow for stakeholder comments on substantive errata filed more than 10 days after the date on which the Large Electrical Corporation submitted its complete EUP.

3.5 Modification Notice

Section 8388.5(d)(2) states, “[b]efore approving the plan, the office may require the Large Electrical Corporation to modify the plan.” Energy Safety effectuates this provision by issuing a Modification Notice. The purpose of a Modification Notice is to ensure the Large Electrical Corporation addresses plan deficiencies prior to completion of Energy Safety’s evaluation.

3.5.1 Examples Warranting a Modification Notice

Energy Safety may issue a Modification Notice after the EUP has been filed. Examples of when Energy Safety may choose to issue a Modification Notice include, but are not limited to, the following issues:

- a. The Large Electrical Corporation’s submission does not meet the evaluation criteria listed in Section 3.3 of these Guidelines.
- b. The Large Electrical Corporation did not provide sufficient information on risk and outage modeling for Energy Safety to determine whether the plan meets the standard outlined in section 8388.5(d)(2).
- c. The proposed EUP is not technically feasible within, or proposes timelines beyond, a 10-year planning horizon.
- d. The Large Electrical Corporation proposes a Project Acceptance Framework that includes projects that are not located in a Tier 2 or 3 High Fire-Threat District or Wildfire Rebuild Areas.
- e. The EUP does not contain a sufficient explanation of common values, assumptions and metrics used for Alternative Mitigation comparisons.
- f. One or more proposed threshold, standard, or other metric, when considered in the context of the EUP and risk landscape as a whole, does not satisfy the Plan Mitigation Objective.
- g. The EUP contains a Plan Mitigation Objective that, when considered in the context of the EUP and the risk landscape as a whole, does not satisfy the substantial risk reduction required by section 8388.5(d)(2).
- h. Correction of EUP content for clarity.
- i. The Large Electrical Corporation fails to describe an effective approach to a required element of the EUP, such as the procedure for designation of a Wildfire Rebuild Area.

- j. The Large Electrical Corporation narrative or data submission indicates that future data submissions will not be formatted in a manner that complies with these Guidelines or with the other Energy Safety guidelines.
- k. Data submissions are incorrectly formatted or contain miscalculations.

3.5.2 Modification Notice Process

The Modification Notice process is set forth as follows:

- a. Energy Safety determines a Large Electrical Corporation's EUP contains one or more deficiencies that warrant a Modification Notice.
- b. Energy Safety issues a Modification Notice to the Large Electrical Corporation. The Modification Notice will contain a list of deficiencies the Large Electrical Corporation must address in its Modification Notice Response and applicable schedule or updates to existing schedule.
- c. Pursuant to the applicable schedule, the Large Electrical Corporation must resubmit its entire EUP or sections therein, in a redline copy and a clean copy, as directed by the Modification Notice, and provide written responses to each issue delineated in the Modification Notice (Modification Notice Response).
- d. If Energy Safety issues a decision approving the Large Electrical Corporation's EUP after issuing one or more Modification Notice, the Large Electrical Corporation must submit, as previously directed in Section 3.2 of these Guidelines, a final version of the EUP that includes changes resulting from all Modification Notices, no later than 10 days after the decision issued. This final version must also include previously submitted errata, as discussed in Section 3.4 of these Guidelines, but must not include any other changes, unless otherwise directed by Energy Safety.

3.6 Public Participation

3.6.1 Docket Access

Persons who wish to receive service of the EUPs, comments on the EUPs, and EUP decisions may enroll by visiting:

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CNRA/subscriber/new?topic_id=CNRA_579.

Additional information on Energy Safety's service lists and detailed instructions for signing up can be found at <https://energysafety.ca.gov/events-and-meetings/how-to-participate-in-public-events/>.

3.6.2 Public Comments

3.6.2.1 Written Public Comments

Any person or entity may submit public comments on EUPs, Modification Notice Responses, and draft decisions. Such comments must be submitted in accordance with the schedule and submission instructions published by Energy Safety.

Energy Safety will accept opening and reply comments on the dates indicated on its published schedule. Energy Safety may publish a revised schedule establishing later deadlines for comments or modify an existing schedule via written notice to the docket. In its discretion, Energy Safety may accept public comment on other submissions or products. Should Energy Safety elect to accept public comment on a product or submission, it will publish a comment schedule and associated procedures via written notice to the docket.

The scope of opening comments must focus on information contained in the document subject to the comment period. The scope of reply comments is limited to the issues raised in opening comments. New information not directly related to issues presented in opening comments will not be considered. Energy Safety may reject comments submitted after the due dates provided within a schedule or comments that are not within the scope as described in this section. Page limits for both opening and reply comments will be addressed in Energy Safety's published schedule.

Any person or entity seeking an extension to a public comment due date may email a request to Energy Safety at ElectricalUndergroundingPlans@energysafety.ca.gov. The request must include:

- a. Original deadline,
- b. Document subject to the comment period,
- c. Good cause for the extension, and
- d. Proposed new deadline in lieu of the original.

Any extension request must be received by Energy Safety by 5:00 p.m. Pacific time two days prior to the original comment due date.

For any technical issues encountered that may affect the timeliness of a public comment submission, the person or entity submitting the comment must immediately contact efiling@energysafety.ca.gov and ElectricalUndergroundingPlans@energysafety.ca.gov.

Energy Safety will consider public comments before issuing a decision. When a comment is received, it becomes public record and will be made available to the public on the Energy Safety docket. The comments will be posted as received without redaction of personal information. Energy Safety is not required to respond to public comments directly.

3.6.2.2 Workshops

Energy Safety may hold one or more public workshops to discuss part or all of a submitted EUP or any other document or product submitted by the Large Electrical Corporation. Energy Safety will provide notice of the workshop via written notice to the docket.

3.6.3 Submitting Public Comments

Public comments must conform to the following requirements:

- a. Comments must be submitted to the related docket on Energy Safety's e-filing system.
- b. Comments on a Large Electrical Corporation's EUP shall be named according to the naming convention set forth in these Guidelines. However, comments shall include the organization or person's name followed by "Opening Comments" or "Reply Comments" and then the relevant abbreviations.
- c. See Section 3.9 of these Guidelines for document accessibility requirements.
- d. The submission process for confidential information is set forth in section 29200 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

3.7 Data Requests

3.7.1 Data Requests from Energy Safety

Energy Safety may obtain any information from a Large Electrical Corporation that is relevant to a matter within the scope of Energy Safety's authority or is likely to lead to the discovery of relevant information, via a data request.

The following applies to data requests:

- a. Data requests from Energy Safety staff to a Large Electrical Corporation may come from ElectricalUndergroundingPlans@energysafety.ca.gov or from individual Energy Safety staff e-mail addresses. All responses to Energy Safety data requests must be submitted to the appropriate EUP docket. A Large Electrical Corporation must endeavor to submit one file per data request to the docket (as opposed to a file for every question in the data request).
- b. The "Data Request Response Period" for an EUP begins on the date a Large Electrical Corporation submits its EUP for the pre-submission check and continues until issuance of a decision for the Large Electrical Corporation. The "Data Request Response Period" for Progress Reports is the initial 60 days after a Large Electrical Corporation submits a Progress Report.

- c. Data requests issued by Energy Safety during the Data Request Response Period are subject to a three-business day response period. Data requests issued by Energy Safety outside of the Data Request Response Period are subject to a ten-calendar day response period unless a different response period is provided by Energy Safety.
- d. For data requests submitted by 5:00 p.m. on a business day, the date of submission is Day 0. For data requests submitted after 5:00 p.m. Pacific time or on a Saturday, Sunday, holiday, or other day when Energy Safety offices are closed, the next business day is Day 0.
- e. Unless a different response time is provided by Energy Safety, a Large Electrical Corporation must respond to all data requests by 5:00 p.m., on day three, with each business day counted as one day.
- f. Extension Requests
 - i. If a Large Electrical Corporation seeks a longer response period than provided in this section or as provided by Energy Safety, the Large Electrical Corporation must request an extension by sending an extension request to ElectricalUndergroundingPlans@energysafety.ca.gov and to the assigned Energy Safety staff lead for the Large Electrical Corporation's EUP evaluation.
 - ii. An extension request must include:
 - The data request or portion of the data request requiring an extension;
 - Good cause for the extension;
 - A proposed date of response in lieu of the original deadline; and
 - iii. Only material related to the extension request will be considered for a new date; remaining questions not in dispute will maintain the original deadline; and
 - iv. Any extension request must be received by Energy Safety by 5:00 p.m. Pacific time one business day prior to the original data request response due date.

3.7.2 Data Requests from Data Request Stakeholders

A Data Request Stakeholder may obtain, through a data request to the Large Electrical Corporation, information related to any EUP docket matter with a comment period specified in these Guidelines or for which Energy Safety has published a comment schedule.

Prior to issuing a data request, a person or entity must seek and obtain designation as a Data Request Stakeholder pursuant to these Guidelines. A person or entity may submit public comments without designation as a Data Request Stakeholder.

3.7.2.1 Data Request Stakeholder Designation

Any person or entity must submit a request for and receive designation as a Data Request Stakeholder prior to sending data requests. The request must be made within ten days after

the Large Electrical Corporation submits a EUP. Energy Safety may grant late requests for designation as a Data Request Stakeholder only on a showing of good cause by the interested person or entity.

A request for designation as a Data Request Stakeholder must include:

- a. The docket matter (Docket #) the person or entity intends to participate in (e.g., #2024-EUPs);
- b. The position and interest of the person in the EUP docket matter;
- c. Disclosure of the persons or entities on whose behalf the person may be seeking the designation, if any;
- d. The Large Electrical Corporation for which the person or entity seeks Data Request Stakeholder status; and
- e. The name, mailing address, e-mail address, and telephone number of the person or entity designee.

A request for designation as a Data Request Stakeholder will be considered approved five business days after submission without any further correspondence from Energy Safety unless the person or entity seeking the designation is otherwise notified by Energy Safety during that time. Once granted designation as a Data Request Stakeholder, a person or entity retains that designation until Energy Safety has issued a decision on the EUP.

3.7.2.2 Data Request Process for Data Request Stakeholders

The following applies to data requests from Data Request Stakeholders:

- a. Data Request Stakeholders may issue data requests to a Large Electrical Corporation beginning on the date on which the Large Electrical Corporation submitted its complete EUP and ending when Energy Safety has issued a decision.
- b. A Large Electrical Corporation must respond to all stakeholder data requests within three-business days of the request, unless a different response period is mutually agreed upon by the stakeholder making the data request and the Large Electrical Corporation.
- c. Extension Requests
 - i. Prior to seeking an extension from Energy Safety to respond to a data request, a Large Electrical Corporation must first make a good-faith effort to ask the stakeholder making the request to agree to the extension.
 - ii. If a Large Electrical Corporation cannot reach an agreement with the stakeholder making the request, the Large Electrical Corporation must request an extension by sending an extension request to ElectricalUndergroundingPlans@energysafety.ca.gov.

- iii. An extension request must include:
 - A showing of a good-faith effort by the Large Electrical Corporation to ask the stakeholder to agree to the extension and the result of such effort;
 - The data request or portion of the data request requiring an extension;
 - Good cause for the extension; and
 - A proposed date of response in lieu of the original deadline.
- iv. Any extension request must be received by Energy Safety by 5:00 p.m. Pacific time one business day prior to the date the data request response is due.

3.7.2.3 Data Request Requirements for Data Request Stakeholders

- a. Data requests must seek information relevant to the pending docket matter and be designed to facilitate the stakeholder's ability to make an informed public comment.
- b. Stakeholders submitting data requests must consider the volume and nature of the data being requested when negotiating response deadlines. In the event that the information requested is already available in WMP filings, the Large Electrical Corporation may choose to refer the stakeholder to the specific part of the WMP record where the information can be found.
- c. Prior to submitting data requests, the Data Request Stakeholder must make a reasonable effort to determine if the information is already available, or has already been requested, through any of the following:
 - i. Contained in the Large Electrical Corporations' EUP or WMP submission, or
 - ii. Previously requested by Energy Safety, or
 - iii. Previously requested by other Data Request Stakeholders.

Data Request Stakeholders may view prior data requests and responses in each Large Electrical Corporation's Data Request Log, available on the Large Electrical Corporation's website.

3.7.2.4 Request to Compel or Limit Data Request Stakeholder Data Requests

Data Request Stakeholders and the Large Electrical Corporation must endeavor to resolve all data request disputes amongst themselves. For data request disputes that cannot be resolved, parties to the dispute may seek relief in accordance with the process below:

- a. Prior to filing a request to compel or limit data requests, the parties to the dispute must have previously met and conferred in a good faith effort to informally resolve the dispute.

- b. The party seeking to compel or to limit data requests bears the burden of proving the reasons why Energy Safety should compel or limit the data request.
- c. A request to compel or limit a data request must include:
 - i. Facts showing a good faith attempt at an informal resolution of the data request dispute presented by the request;
 - ii. The data request or portion of the data request at issue;
 - iii. Basis to compel or limit the data request; and
 - iv. A proposed determination that clearly indicates the relief requested.
- d. A response from a Data Request Stakeholder or Large Electrical Corporation must be submitted within three business days of the date that the request was submitted to Energy Safety. If no response is submitted to a request to compel or limit a data request, then the request will be deemed granted. Energy Safety will take requests to compel or limit a data request under consideration and will issue a determination on a request to compel or limit a data request after the request and response have been submitted. Energy Safety may request clarification or additional information from the parties to the dispute prior to issuing a determination. Responses to such requests for clarification or additional information must be submitted within three business days of the date of the request.

All filings for a request to compel or limit data requests must be submitted to Energy Safety at ElectricalUndergroundingPlans@energysafety.ca.gov and served to all parties to the dispute.

3.8 Document Maintenance

3.8.1 Document Postings

When submitting an EUP, the Large Electrical Corporation must post its EUP, all documents referenced in its EUP, and any subsequent versions of the EUP and documents on a EUP-specific website in an easy-to-follow format. This will be in addition to the posting of EUPs on Energy Safety's docket and website. A Large Electrical Corporation must include the website address in its EUP submission cover letter. All documents submitted to the Energy Safety docket, including responses to data requests, must be machine readable and searchable.

3.8.2 Data Request Log

Each Large Electrical Corporation that submits an EUP must post an EUP Data Request Log on its website.

The EUP Data Request Log must be posted and maintained beginning on the date on which the Large Electrical Corporation submitted its complete EUP and ending upon the completion of each Large Electrical Corporation's 10-Year EUP. Each participating Large Electrical Corporation must also submit to Energy Safety a Data Request Log weekly for the same period. The Large Electrical Corporation is not required to submit a weekly Data Request Log to Energy Safety if there is no new information to report. The requirements for each Data Request Log are set forth as follows.

- a. Each Large Electrical Corporation must update its EUP Data Request Log and post all data requests and responses issued to-date weekly each Thursday by 5:00 p.m. Pacific time.
- b. Each Large Electrical Corporation must submit to Energy Safety its EUP Data Request Log each Thursday by 5:00 p.m. Pacific time to the appropriate EUP docket.
- c. The website or portion of webpage pertaining to data requests must be titled "[EC corporate name] Electrical Undergrounding Plan Data Requests."
- d. The Data Request Log must be in the form of a searchable online table that contains all data requests, responses for each data request received, and links to relevant documents.
- e. The Data Request Log must indicate:
 - i. The attachment number of any additional attachments related to the data request,
 - ii. The relevant sections of the EUP, and
 - iii. A thematic category and subcategory of the data request.

3.9 Accessibility

It is the policy of the State of California that electronic information be accessible to people with disabilities. Each person who submits information through Energy Safety e-filing system must ensure that the information complies with the accessibility requirements set forth in Government Code section 7405. Energy Safety will not accept any information submitted through the e-filing system that does not comply with these requirements.¹⁴

¹⁴ References to laws and regulations related to digital accessibility are available at <https://dor.ca.gov/Home/DisabilityLawsandRegulations>. Resources on constructing accessible electronic contents are available at <https://dor.ca.gov/Home/HowToCreateAccessibleContent>.

3.10 Computation of Time and Scheduling

When requirements referenced in these Guidelines set a time limit for performance of an act, the time is computed by excluding the first day (i.e., the day of the act or event from which the designated time begins to run) and including the last day. If the last day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, holiday, or other day when Energy Safety offices are closed, the time limit is extended to include the first day thereafter. If an act occurs after 5:00 p.m. Pacific time, it is deemed as having been performed on the next day.

Energy Safety may modify any schedule outlined in these Guidelines by issuing further scheduling guidance. Additional schedule guidance will take precedence over any scheduling included in these Guidelines.

All instances of specified days in this document are assumed to be defined as calendar days unless otherwise noted.

3.11 Submission Instructions, Locations, and Naming Conventions

Electronic file names for the EUPs, associated text documents, and narrative reports must follow the standardized electronic naming convention illustrated in Table 8 below. The electronic file name must include, in order, the naming convention identified in each column (without quotation marks) with an underscore between the character string of each column. All text files must be submitted in portable document format (pdf).

See examples below.

Examples:

- a. First Version of an EUP Submission: “2025-02-05_PGE_2023_EUP_R0.pdf”, which would refer to the first version of an EUP submitted by PG&E on February 05, 2025.
- b. Updated submission in response to Energy Safety Modification Notices: “2025-06-05_SDGE_2023_MNR_R1”, which would refer to a Modification Notice Response submitted by SDG&E on June 5, 2025, mod 1.

Table 8. Electronic File Naming Convention for Text Files with Examples

Date Submitted (Year-Month-Day)	Large Electrical Corporation Abbreviated Name	Document Year	Document Type	Modification Number
"2023-02-05"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "PGE" (Pacific Gas and Electric Company) • "SDGE" (San Diego Gas & Electric Company) • "SCE" (Southern California Edison Company) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "EUPPRE" (Electrical Undergrounding Plan Submission for Pre Submission Review) • "EUP" (Electrical Undergrounding Plan Submission) • "PR#" (Semi-Annual Progress Report) • "MNR" (Mod Notice Response) • "DRLOG" (Data Request Log) • "MR" (Model Report) • "EUPOC" (Electrical Undergrounding Plan Opening Comments) • "EUPRC" (Electrical Undergrounding Plan Reply Comments) • "EUPDDOC" (Electrical Undergrounding Plan Draft Decision Opening Comments) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R0 (First Version) • R1 (Mod 1) • R2 (Mod 2)

Date Submitted (Year-Month-Day)	Large Electrical Corporation Abbreviated Name	Document Year	Document Type	Modification Number
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “EUPDDRC” (Electrical Undergrounding Plan Draft Decision Reply Comments) • “EUPERR” (Electrical Undergrounding Plan Errata) • “EUPERRC” (Electrical Undergrounding Plan Errata Comments) 	

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Electronic file names for the associated tabular and special data submissions must follow the standardized electronic naming convention illustrated in Table 9 below. More detail on the data submissions can be found in Appendix C.

Table 9. Electronic File Naming Convention for Data Submissions

Submission Type	File Type	Submission Location	Naming Convention
Initial Tabular Data	CSV	eFiling	“[Electrical Corporation Abbreviation]_Intial_T#_Date_R#”, <i>for example:</i> “PGE_Initial_2024-01-01_T1_R0.csv”
Progress Report Tabular Data	CSV	eFiling	“[Electrical Corporation Abbreviation]_PR#_T#_Date_R#”, <i>for example:</i> “PGE_PR1_2025-01-01_T1_R0.csv”
Project Variable Modifiers Information	JSON	eFiling	“[Electrical Corporation Abbreviation]_PR#_Date_PMV_R#”, <i>for example:</i> “PGE_PR1_2025-01-01_PMV_R0.json”
Model Risk Landscapes for Projects	JSON	eFiling	“[Electrical Corporation Abbreviation]_PR#_Date_R#”, <i>for example:</i> “PGE_PR1_2025-01-01_Projects_R0.json”
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4. Compliance

4.1 Progress Reports

Section 8388.5(f) requires that, once an EUP is approved by Energy Safety and the CPUC, the Large Electrical Corporation must file a Progress Report with Energy Safety and the CPUC every six months.

The requirements of these Progress Reports will be informed by the content, format, and structure of Progress Report 0 as detailed in Section 2.6. Energy Safety may permit comments on future Progress Reports. Energy Safety will issue additional Guidelines on this topic and other post-approval matters.

4.2 Independent Monitor Report

Section 8388.5(f) requires that, once an EUP is approved by Energy Safety and the CPUC, an Independent Monitor must provide an annual report to Energy Safety for each year the EUP is in effect. Energy Safety will issue additional Guidelines on this topic and other post-approval matters.

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