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California Air Resources Board
1001 “I” Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Pacific Gas and Electric Company Comments on the 2022 Scoping Plan Update - Public Health Workshop

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) appreciates this opportunity to comment on the California Air Resources Board’s (CARB) 2022 Scoping Plan Update - Public Health Workshop (Public Health Workshop).

PG&E strongly supports CARB’s recognition of the interrelated nature of environmental policy, climate change, public health, and the increased focus on climate-change-related health concerns in the Scoping Plan Update. We look forward to seeing insightful, actionable results from this increased attention on public health. We share CARB’s commitment to furthering the principles of environmental and social justice (ESJ) and we look forward to ongoing collaboration with CARB and other stakeholders to support the implementation of public-health-related initiatives that help to improve the conditions of ESJ communities.

At PG&E, we recognize our responsibility to understand and respect the needs of our neighbors, including low-income communities and Black, Indigenous, and other people and communities of color. The perspectives of historically marginalized communities are particularly critical to California’s climate policies given that these communities are expected to be negatively impacted by climate-driven hazards disproportionate to the impacts on other communities.

Guided by our Environmental Justice Policy, PG&E has collaborated with and supported community-based organizations involved in the AB 617 process and the current CARB Scoping Plan Update. We are also partnering with community-based organizations in designated disadvantaged vulnerable communities as a critical element of our multi-year Climate Vulnerability Assessment. We look forward to CARB’s continuous efforts to strengthen its engagement with ESJ stakeholders in the AB 617 and Scoping Plan processes.

We look forward to continuing the discussion across stakeholder groups and the communities we are privileged to serve on this critical topic and supporting actions that will lead to a healthier public.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.
Sincerely,

/s/

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