

PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC Co  
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**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE  
SHAREHOLDER MEETING TO BE HELD ON MAY 14, 2012  
AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS**

**WHEN AND WHERE IS THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING?**

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Pacific Gas and Electric Company will be held at the PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company headquarters, 77 Beale Street, San Francisco, California, on Monday, May 14, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., Pacific time.

**WHAT IS BEING VOTED ON AT THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING?**

1. Election of 12 Directors

Nominees of the Board of Directors:

|     |                  |     |                        |      |                       |
|-----|------------------|-----|------------------------|------|-----------------------|
| (1) | David R. Andrews | (5) | Maryellen C. Herringer | (9)  | Forrest E. Miller     |
| (2) | Lewis Chew       | (6) | Christopher P. Johns   | (10) | Rosendo G. Parra      |
| (3) | C. Lee Cox       | (7) | Roger H. Kimmel        | (11) | Barbara L. Rambo      |
| (4) | Fred J. Fowler   | (8) | Richard A. Meserve     | (12) | Barry Lawson Williams |

2. Ratification of Appointment of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

3. Advisory Approval of the Company's Executive Compensation

4. Such other business as may properly come before the meeting. Any shareholder nominations for director, or other shareholder matters, must comply with the advance notice provisions in the company's Bylaws.

**WHAT DOES THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMEND?**

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The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the election of the directors, FOR the ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm, and FOR the proposal on executive compensation.

### HOW CAN I GET A COMPLETE SET OF PROXY MATERIALS?

**THIS IS NOT A PROXY CARD. You may not use this form to vote your shares. You may request a paper proxy card by following the instructions at the bottom of this form. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet and by mail. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.**

The Proxy Statement and the Annual Report to Shareholders are available at:

[www.ViewMaterial.com/PCG](http://www.ViewMaterial.com/PCG)

**If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed below on or before April 30, 2012 to facilitate timely delivery.**

You may request an e-mail copy of the Proxy Statement and the Annual Report, or a paper copy of the Proxy Statement, the form of proxy card, and the Annual Report, by following the instructions below. You will be asked to provide your 11-digit control number (located by the arrow in the box below). You will be able to request paper or e-mail copies for all future meetings or only for the 2012 Annual Meeting.

1. Call the toll-free telephone number 1-800-516-1564 and follow the instructions provided, or
2. Access the website [www.SendMaterial.com](http://www.SendMaterial.com) and follow the instructions provided, or
3. Send us an e-mail at [papercopy@SendMaterial.com](mailto:papercopy@SendMaterial.com) with your control number in the subject line. Unless you instruct us otherwise, we will reply to your e-mail with links to the proxy materials in PDF format for the 2012 Annual Meeting only.

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To vote your Pacific Gas and Electric Company shares, you can vote in person at the Annual Meeting, or you can:

1. Go to [www.ViewMaterial.com/PCG](http://www.ViewMaterial.com/PCG).
2. Review the Proxy Statement and the Annual Report to Shareholders online.
3. Click on the icon to vote your shares.
4. Enter your 11-digit control number (located by the arrow in the box above).
5. Follow the simple instructions to execute your proxy and record your vote.

You will be able to vote electronically  
until 6:00 a.m., Eastern time, on May 14, 2012.

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**Directions to the 2012 Annual Meetings of Shareholders**

PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company headquarters  
77 Beale Street, San Francisco, California

The meetings are easily accessible using public transportation. If you are traveling by MUNI or BART, exit at the Embarcadero station.

**From the North (Golden Gate Bridge):**

- Cross the Golden Gate Bridge (Highway 101 South).
- Take the Downtown/Lombard Street exit onto Lombard Street.

**From the South (Highway 101):**

- Merge onto Interstate 80 East (toward Bay Bridge/Oakland).
- Exit at Fourth Street.
- Bear left onto Bryant Street.

**From the East (Bay Bridge):**

- Cross the Bay Bridge (Interstate 80 West).
- Exit at Fremont Street.

- Turn right at Gough Street.
- Turn left at California Street.
- Turn right at Davis Street.
- Cross Market Street onto Beale Street.
- PG&E is on your left.
- Turn left at Third Street.
- Turn right at Market Street.
- Turn right at Beale Street.
- PG&E is on your left.
- Turn left onto Fremont Street.
- Turn right at Market Street.
- Turn right at Beale Street.
- PG&E is on your left

## PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

### 2012 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS ADMISSION TICKET

PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company headquarters  
77 Beale Street  
San Francisco, California

May 14, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

There is no parking available at the company headquarters. Parking is available at public garages in the area.

Doors open at 9:00 a.m. You may bypass the shareholder registration area and present this ticket at the entrance to the meeting room.

**Note:** Shareholders will be asked to present valid photo identification, such as a driver's license or passport, before being admitted to the meeting.

**Please note that the following items will not be allowed in the meetings:** cameras, video or tape recorders, and other electronic recording devices, or any other items that might be disruptive or pose a safety or security risk. For your protection, all purses, briefcases, backpacks, and packages will be subject to inspection.

Real-time captioning services and assistive listening devices will be available at the meetings. Please note that real-time captioning materials are not reviewed by either company before they are presented to shareholders, in order to provide timely information to shareholders attending the meetings. Any documents created in the real-time captioning process cannot be relied upon as an accurate transcript of the annual meeting proceedings.

