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Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification

Date: 17 October 2019

<u>Project Title:</u> Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) L-400 Salt Creek Replacement Project

Project Location - Specific: Township: 27 North, Range: 3 West Latitude: 40.16342° and Longitude: -122.17202°

The Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) L-400 Salt Creek Replacement Project is approximately 2 miles east of the City Red Bluff.

Project Location - County: Tehama County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company is proposing to remove and replace a section of gas transmission pipeline (L)-400 (R-409) between mile points 141.72 and 141.92, where it crosses Salt Creek east of Red Bluff. The project will remove approximately 866 linear feet of the existing 36-inch diameter pipeline, centered on where it crosses under Salt Creek. Approximately 1,000 linear feet of new 36-inch pipeline will be routed in a southwesterly direction through an existing orchard and will cross Salt Creek perpendicularly.

Name of Public Agencies Approving Project:

State Agency approval for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Redding Branch Office. WDID #5A52CR00187

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company 6111 Bollinger Canyon Road San Ramon, CA 94583

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Exempt Status:

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15302 – Replacement or Reconstruction

Class 2 consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, including but not limited to replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

Reasons why Project is Exempt:

This project is Categorically Exempt under CEQA Section 15302.

The project involves the replacement of gas pipelines in the same location as the pipelines being replaced with negligible or no expansion of capacity.

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