

## PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

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Local Union No. 1245  
 International Brotherhood of  
 Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO  
 P. O. Box 4790  
 Walnut Creek, California 94596

Attention: Mr. Dean Cofer, Business Manager

Gentlemen:

This letter agreement supersedes our proposed letter agreements of March 27 and August 17, 1978, and is a result of discussions between Company and Union on the subject of the classifications and job definitions in the Electric Meter Departments. Due to a recent CPUC ruling there has been an increase in the workload in the Company's Electric Meter Departments. A sizable portion of this increase is related to energy conservation and load management projects which require the servicing and changing of magnetic tapes on recording demand meters. Company, therefore, proposes, pursuant to Section 204.4 of the Physical Agreement, to establish the following classification:

1490 Service Meterman

An employee who, in the field, services (cleans recording heads, tests circuits for impulses at the recorder, tests batteries, removes inoperative tape recording units, and resets clock time), reads and changes tapes on magnetic-tape recording demand meters; reads other recording and indicating meters; visually checks meter installations for evidence of energy diversion, meter tampering, vandalism, lost meters and other instances of energy theft; assists in proving meter-apartment addresses; verifies meter numbers; performs necessary paperwork in connection with the above activities. May be assigned the duties of a Shop Meterman in an electric meter shop.

Start	-	\$288.35	per week
End 6 mos.	-	310.80	" "
End 1 yr.	-	335.10	" "

Next Lower Classification

0924 Helper (Electric Meter)

Same or Higher Classifications

0760 Meter Subforeman  
 1480 Senior Meterman  
 1484 Routine Meterman (incumbent only)  
 1485 Shop Meterman  
 1488 Apprentice Meterman  
 1490 Service Meterman

Company further proposes to revise the line of progression to Apprentice Meterman to show the (1490) Service Meterman as next lower to Apprentice Meterman. Company also proposes to delete from Exhibits VI-L and X the classification of Inspector (0993) and to amend the job definition of (1480) Senior Meterman to read as follows:

1480 Senior Meterman

An employee who is a journeyman engaged in performing without direct supervision all types of meter setting, servicing, testing and repairing; he may be required to test and repair instrument transformers and perform various investigations such as current diversion, lost meters, obtaining information for setting up charges and similar items. Preinspects meter sets for conformance to Company and governmental requirements and, when required, obtains advance permission for installation of temporary meters. His background of apprenticeship and experience must be such as to qualify him to perform these duties with skill and efficiency.

Company also proposes to further amend the Electric Meter Departments' lines of progression by the deletion of Inspector from the lines of progression for Senior Meterman (including the footnote thereto), Apprentice Meterman, and Shop Meterman.

In the discussions of the above, Company agreed that Meter Readers may also perform visual checks of metering installations for energy diversion, meter tampering, etc., which do not require the physical removal of the electric meter.

If you are in accord with the foregoing and agree thereto, please so indicate in the space provided below and return one executed copy of this letter to Company.

Yours very truly,

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

By *J.W. Aubright*  
Manager of Industrial Relations

The Union is in accord with the foregoing and it agrees thereto as of the date hereof.

LOCAL UNION NO. 1245, INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, AFL-CIO

*Sept. 27*, 1978

By *Dean Coffey*  
Business Manager