



LETTER AGREEMENT NO. R1-00-12-PGE



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Local Union No. 1245
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Attention: Mr. Jack McNally, Business Manager

Dear Mr. McNally:

Company proposes to modify Section 202.19 of the Physical Agreement to allow for employees in the Field Metering Department to take their company vehicles home at the end of the workday. In an effort to improve efficiencies in ways that produce more value than the costs associated with employees taking the company vehicle home and to minimize cost and maximize site availability, this voluntary vehicle take home policy will commence upon the execution of this agreement.

Classifications eligible under this agreement are Apprentice Metering Systems Technician, Unassigned Metering Systems Technician, Metering Systems Technician, Metering Technician Crew Leader and Service Meterperson. The local supervisor may allow employees who live beyond the headquarters' service territory or beyond the 30 minute automotive travel time to volunteer to take their vehicles home at the supervisor's discretion.

Use of company vehicles for other than authorized company use or allowing unauthorized persons to drive or ride in company vehicles (except in emergency situations), is a violation of Standard Practice 735.6-1.

All eligible employees may participate on a voluntary basis. Voluntary agreement to this policy includes an acceptance of all guidelines. Participating employees who fail to meet their obligations in accordance with these guidelines may be ineligible to participate. Company may disqualify employees from this policy where efficiencies are not gained, guidelines are abused, security is violated, or other business reasons as deemed by the company. Disqualifications may be reviewed by the local Labor Management Committee.

Participating employees shall report to their work areas or route by the start time of their scheduled shift. On days employees are required to report to their regular headquarters (as defined in 202.19), they shall report at the beginning of their regularly scheduled shift.

Participating employees shall leave their work areas or route no earlier than the end of their scheduled shift, commuting home on their own time, not to exceed one hour.

Current local procedures will apply, e.g. turning in paperwork, calling in uncompleted work, picking up uniforms, fueling vehicles, servicing vehicles, etc.

For the purposes of reporting commute miles, the "Summary of Rules for Use of Vehicles for Company Business" shall apply.

If a participating employee is scheduled to be off for more than two days, the vehicle may be returned to the yard at the end of the last shift worked, or at a time agreed to by the local supervisor. Depending on vehicle availability or other business reasons, vehicles may be required to be in the yard any time the participating employee is scheduled to be off for one full day. All commutes outside of this agreement will be the responsibility of the employee.

The security compliance with local parking requirements of the assigned vehicle will be the employee's responsibility. Vehicles will be parked at the employee's residence, or other agreed to secure area. When a vehicle is taken home, if the lap top computer is removable, the computer is to be removed and stored in the employee's home, locked bin, etc.

This policy has no impact on local overtime agreements. All 212 and local letter agreements pertaining to POT and EOT shall be followed regardless of this policy.

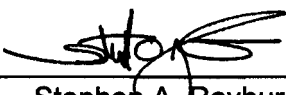
This agreement supersedes any local vehicle take home letters of agreement that currently exist for the Field Metering Services Department.

This agreement may be canceled by the Company and Union by providing 30 days advance written notice.

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 the Company.

Very truly yours,

PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

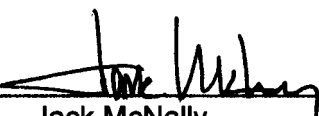
By: 

Stephen A. Rayburn
Director and Chief Negotiator

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

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By: 

Jack McNally
Business Manager