

LETTER AGREEMENT NO. 00-30-PGE



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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, AFL-CIO LOCAL UNION 1245, I.B.E.W. P.O. BOX 4790 WALNUT CREEK, CALIFORNIA 94596 925-933-6060

STEPHEN A. RAYBURN, MANAGER AND CHIEF NEGOTIATOR

JACK MCNALLY, BUSINESS MANAGER

June 20, 2000

Local Union No. 1245 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO P. O. Box 4790 Walnut Creek, CA 94598

Attention: Mr. Jack McNally, Business Manager

Dear Mr. McNally:

The Company is proposing to provide an additional medical plan for retirees, their surviving spouses and their dependents which will be referred to as the Retiree Optional Plan. A copy of the plan including the benefit levels is attached. The medical portion of the plan will be administered by United HealthCare and the prescription drug portion of the plan will be administered by Merck Medco.

Contributions will be charged in accordance with the Medical, Dental and Vision Agreement. The Retiree Optional Plan will become effective January 1, 2001.

Either party upon giving 30 days written notice may cancel this agreement.

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, Manager and

Chief Negotiator

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

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

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Jack McNally

Business Manager

The PG&E Retirees Optional Plan

This Plan will have two non-integrated subplans; a medical plan administered by United HealthCare and a prescription drug plan administered by Merck Medco.

Medical Benefits (administered by United HealthCare)

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Type of Plan	Will be a nondirected PPO plan (similar to the OOA plan);	
	can use any provider.	
Deductible	\$500 annual deductible per person up to a family	
	maximum of \$1,500.	
Out-of-pocket Max	\$5,000 per person up to a family maximum of \$10,000.	
Hospitalization and	70% after deductible; preauthorization required for	
Inpatient Hospice Care	nonemergency care; \$250 penalty if not obtained.	
Pre-admission Testing	70% after deductible	
Skilled Nursing	70% after deductible following 3 days or more in hospital	
Emergency Room Care	70% after deductible	
Maternity Care	70% after deductible	
Well-Baby Care	70% after deductible	
Doctor's Visits: Office	70% after deductible	
and in Hospital		
Routine Physical Exams	70% after deductible	
Immunizations	70% after deductible	
Eye Exams	Not Covered	
Hearing Aids	70% after deductible; \$2,800 maximum benefit per year	
X-Rays, Lab and Other	70% after deductible	
Diagnostic tests		
Home Health Care and	70% after deductible; over 14 days requires prior	
Home Hospice Care	authorization	
Outpatient Physical	70% after deductible	
Therapy		
Chiropractic and	70% after deductible; each type of therapy limited to 10	
Acupuncture Therapy	sessions per year	
Inpatient and Outpatient	70% after deductible	
Mental Health Care		
Inpatient and Outpatient	70% after deductible	
Alcohol and Drug Care		

Exclusions will be the same as in the PG&E PPO/OOA plans administered by United HealthCare. Out-of- pocket expenses for prescription drug benefits will not integrate with this plan or vice-versa.

The PG&E Retirees Optional Plan (continued)

Prescription Drug Benefits (administered by Merck Medco)

Type of Plan	Drug Card for Retail purchases and Mail Order program
Deductible	\$200 per person; no family maximum
Out-of-pocket Max	\$1,500 per person up to a family maximum of \$3,000.
Retail Drug Purchases	60% after deductible
Mail Order Purchases	70% after deductible
Fertility, Sexual Dysfunction and Birth Control drugs	50% after deductible

Exclusions will be the same as in the PG&E Prescription Drug Plan, effective 2001, which is also administered by Merck Medco.