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## April 16, 1968

Local Union 1245, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO 1918 Grove Street Oakland, California 94612

Attention: Mr. Ronald T. Weakley, Business Manager

Gentlemen:

You have previously inquired concerning the possibility of early wage negotiations this year, since it seems apparent that the BLS Consumer Price Index for each of the months of March, April and May of 1968 will show a change of more than 4.5 index points as compared with the June, 1966 figure.

In view of the current situation, we have no objection to starting our discussions early and are willing to proceed under the following special arrangement which, we believe, conforms to the intent of the Sections of our Contracts:

In lieu of the provisions contained in said Contract Sections for giving written notice between June 15 and July 1, 1968, of intent to negotiate on wage adjustments, Company and Union will, as of April 30, 1968, commence bargaining as provided for in said Sections. However, if said Index in either March, April or May of 1968 fails to show a change as established by said Sections, either party by written notice to the other, not later than June 30, 1968, may cancel this special arrangement.

Yours very truly,

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

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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

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