

## LETTER AGREEMENT NO. 98-78-PGE



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September 10, 1998

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 and Union agreed to establish the Metering Systems Technician classification and apprenticeship program in Letter Agreement 94-34. Since then, there have been unforeseen significant delays in developing the Apprentice Metering Systems Technician Training Program.

Employees who have been awarded Apprentice Metering Systems Technician positions have gone through the existing Apprentice Meterperson Training Program and upon completion of this 36 month program have been upgraded to Metering Systems Technician.

While the Company expects to submit the Apprentice Metering Systems Technician training program to the Union this fall, the delays in developing this program have impacted employees' progression and bidding rights. Therefore, the Company proposes that Apprentice Metering Systems Technicians that have completed the 36-month Apprentice Meterperson training program be appointed to Unassigned Metering Systems Technicians in their current headquarters, providing them "b" or "c" bidding rights to Metering Systems Technician vacancies in the system. Additional training for these employees will be handled as journeyman enhancement training consistent with the training that will be provided to previous Sr. Meterpersons who were reclassified to Metering Systems Technicians. These employees will be eligible for a Senior Meterperson State apprentice certificate.

This proposal has been discussed with Senior Business Representative Landis Marttila.

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

Very truly yours,

PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

Chief Negotiator

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

Dept 22, 1998

Business Manager