



PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS DEPARTMENT 2850 SHADELANDS DRIVE, SUITE 100 WALNUT CREEK, CALIFORNIA 94598 (925) 974-4104 INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, AFL-CIO LOCAL UNION 1245, I.B.E.W. P.O. BOX 2547 VACAVILLE, CALIFORNIA 95696 (707) 452-2700 PERRY ZIMMERMAN, BUSINESS MANAGER

STEPHEN A. RAYBURN, DIRECTOR AND CHIEF NEGOTIATOR

September 16, 2004

LETTER AGREEMENT

NO. R1-04-42-PGE

Mr. Perry Zimmerman, Business Manager Local Union No. 1245 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO P.O. Box 2547 Vacaville, CA 95696

Dear Mr. Zimmerman:

In accordance with Section 205.19 of the Physical Agreement, Company proposes to retest Meter Readers Jeff Kaiser and Alex Areneda on the Final Exam for the Gas Service Representative Training Program. Agreement to this retest would exempt the Company from delaying the test pending completion of the next scheduled class as outlined in Paragraph B.3. of the Gas Service Representative's Training, which is scheduled to begin on October 4, 2004.

The employees are top bidders for vacancies in Lodi (Kaiser) and Cupertino (Areneda) and previously took and failed the exam in 2003. Given the delay in scheduling a Gas Service Representative Training School, this is the first opportunity offered to allow them to qualify for the vacancies. The Company understands that more training classes are needed and fully expects to avoid this from occurring in the future given the expected staffing of Gas Service Representative classifications.

This proposal has been discussed with Business Representatives Bill Brill for Areneda and Gary Hughes for Kaiser.

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. Pavburn

Director 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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