



1 to public comments and recommend that the Court take a certain action in regard to the lodged  
2 Consent Decree.

3 1. On September 24, 2009, the United States concurrently filed a Complaint and  
4 lodged a proposed Consent Decree to resolve the claims alleged in the United States' Complaint.  
5 Upon lodging the Consent Decree, the United States informed the Court that notice of the  
6 proposed settlement would be published in the Federal Register requesting comments from the  
7 public on the Consent Decree. The United States published the original notice of the lodging of  
8 the Consent Decree in the Federal Register on October 5, 2009 (74 Fed. Reg. 57703). The  
9 United States extended the public comment period after meeting with citizens that sought  
10 additional information on the proposed settlement. (See 74 Fed. Reg. 51170-51171). The  
11 extended public comment period closed in January, 2010.

12 2. The United States previously informed the Court that public comments had been  
13 received and that the United States was in the process of reviewing and considering the  
14 information provided. The United States also stated that after the review of public comments is  
15 completed, the United States would file a pleading with the Court requesting the Court to enter,  
16 not enter, or take other action concerning the proposed Consent Decree.

17 3. Prior to May 14, 2010, the United States intends to file the United States'  
18 Memorandum that will respond to the public comments and recommend that the Court take a  
19 certain action in regard to the lodged Consent Decree.

20 4. In order to adequately address and respond to these public comments and to allow  
21 the United States to fully inform the Court of the nature of these comments, the United States  
22 requested, and the parties have agreed to, this stipulation that the United States' Memorandum  
23 may not exceed 40 pages in length, or 15 pages longer than permitted by LR 7-4.

24 5. The Parties further stipulate as follows:

25 a. Communities for a Better Environment ("CBE") may file, within 30 days  
26 of the filing of the United States' Memorandum, a responsive memorandum not to exceed 40  
27 pages in length.

1           b. Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E") may file, within 30 days of  
2 the filing of the United States' Memorandum, a responsive memorandum not to exceed 25 pages.

3           c. The parties may each file, within 21 days of the filing of the last-filed of  
4 the responsive memoranda of CBE and PG&E, a reply memorandum not to exceed 25 pages.

5           6. The parties reserve their rights and may seek additional scheduling guidance from  
6 the Court.

7           7. Subject to the Court's schedule, the parties propose that a hearing on the United  
8 States' Memorandum be held approximately 30 days after the date on which the reply  
9 memoranda are due.

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11 IT IS SO STIPULATED.

12 I, Bradley R. O'Brien, attest that concurrence in the filing of this joint stipulation has been  
13 obtained from Gerald F. George, an attorney for Defendant PG&E, and Helen H. Kang, an  
14 attorney for Intervenor-Plaintiff CBE.

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16 FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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18 Date April 30, 2010

/s/Bradley R. O'Brien  
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United States Department of Justice

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Date April 30, 2010

/s/Gerald F. George  
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FOR COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT

Date April 30, 2010

/s/Helen H. Kang  
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Communities for a Better Environment

[PROPOSED] ORDER

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GOOD CAUSE APPEARING,

1. The United States is permitted to file a Memorandum 40 pages in length, or 15 pages longer than permitted by LR 7-4, that will respond to public comments and recommend that the Court take a certain action in regard to the lodged Consent Decree. Communities for a Better Environment is permitted to file a responsive memorandum not to exceed 40 pages in length to the United States Memorandum, and Pacific Gas & Electric Company is permitted to file a responsive memorandum not to exceed 25 pages in length to the United States' Memorandum. The parties are each permitted to file a reply memorandum not to exceed 25 pages in length.

2. Communities for a Better Environment's and Pacific Gas & Electric Company's responses to the United States' Memorandum shall be filed within 30 days of the filing of the United States' Memorandum, and the parties' reply memoranda shall be due 21 days thereafter.

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED.



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SUSAN ILLSTON  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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