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PUBLIC ADVOCATES OFFICE URGES MORE ACTION ON PG&E'S BANKRUPTCY TO ENSURE CUSTOMERS BEST INTEREST

SAN FRANCISCO, July 1, 2019 – The Public Advocates Office, the independent consumer advocate at the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”), today urged the CPUC to take immediate further action to ensure it achieves the best outcome for California’s consumers post PG&E’s bankruptcy.

The Public Advocates Office recommends the CPUC use its authority to take two immediate steps to ensure Californians receive safe, affordable, reliable utility services consistent with the state’s environmental goals. First, it should establish minimum safety and performance prerequisites for a post-bankruptcy franchise, whether or not that franchise is PG&E. Second, the CPUC should make clear its interest in considering alternatives to PG&E that can best serve California customers.

“PG&E has lost the public’s trust by failing to provide Californians with safe, affordable and reliable power,” said Elizabeth Echols, Director of the Public Advocates Office. “We urge the CPUC to set the appropriate safety and performance requirements to choose the entity or entities that will best serve California consumers.”

More information on the Public Advocates Office’s recommendations can be found [here](#).

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