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In the Matter of the Petition of Pacific Power & Light Company

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7	FOR COMMISSION STAFF:		5 6	JUDGE O'CONNELL: Let's be on the record. Good morning. Today is Thursday, December 20th, 2018.
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1	MS. SUETAKE: Nina Suetake, AAG for Public	1	order in this case, and if so, would a the
2	Counsel.	2	Commission's standard protective order suffice?
3	MS. BROWN: Sally Brown, Senior Assistant	3	MR. MCVEE: We believe it will. There's a
4	Attorney General appearing on behalf of Commission Staff	4	possibility that we'll be asked. We are happy to file a
5	along with my AAG colleagues, Christopher Casey and Nash	5	motion if we get a request for information that we
6	Callahan.	6	consider confidential.
7	JUDGE O'CONNELL: And on the phone?	7	JUDGE O'CONNELL: So would you prefer to
8	MR. GERHART: Matthew Gerhart, appearing on	8	wait until you get such a request?
9	behalf of Sierra Club, Your Honor.	9	MR. MCVEE: Actually, yes. We would like to
10	MR. PEPPLE: Your sorry, I apologize,	10	move to have a standard protective order issued.
11	Your Honor. I entered my appearance, it's actually, I'm	11	JUDGE O'CONNELL: Okay. Then I will issue a
12	representing Boise White paper in this docket. I	12	protective order in the coming days. Well, first let me
13	apologize.	13	ask, is there any opposing perspective to issuing a
14	JUDGE O'CONNELL: Thank you for that.	14	protective order?
15	MS. BROWN: That could be important.	15	MS. BROWN: No, Your Honor.
16	MR. PEPPLE: It's not the first time that's	16	MS. SUETAKE: No, Your Honor.
17	happened.	17	MR. PEPPLE: No.
18	JUDGE O'CONNELL: So I would like to note as	18	JUDGE O'CONNELL: Then I will issue a
19	a couple of you mentioned, we we have lost power to	19	protective order in the coming days.
20	the building. We are running on battery for the	20	Briefly I want to explain the electronic
21	transcript, and that will be available. Additionally,	21	filing and electronic service here at the Commission.
22	because there is no bridge line available, we have made	22	We have new Commission procedural rules. They provide
23	a phone line available for Mr. Gerhart, who is the only	23	that all filing with the Commission will be electronic
24	person or party that the Commission was aware of who	24	and that service of all documents in the case will be
25	wanted to participate who is not in this room.	25	electronic from the Commission to the parties and also
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2	correct?	2	MS. SUETAKE: No, Your Honor.
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4	Honor. Would you mind	4	JUDGE O'CONNELL: Okay. I will include that
5	MS. BROWN: I didn't misrepresent anything	5	in my prehearing conference order.
6	or change the date.	6	Is there anything else that we need to
7	MR. PEPPLE: I wasn't sure if you gave him	7	address today?
8	the one that we just agreed to.	8	MR. PEPPLE: Your Honor, just one one
9	MS. BROWN: Yes, I did.	9	quick thing. I guess we didn't talk about it, but there
10	JUDGE O'CONNELL: So I have a copy of it and	10	was an agreement to do a five-business-day turnaround
11	I'm going to briefly read it into the record because as	11	for discovery responses. That was actually identified
12	I note, there have been some changes to the parties'	12	after the Company's surrebuttal testimony in a
13	preferences.	13	five-round option. I guess I would propose that that
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16	settlement conference, May 21st, 2019; Company's	16	MR. MCVEE: The Company has no objection to
17	rebuttal or reply testimony and Staff and intervenor	17	that.
18	cross-answering testimony, June 27th, 2019; settlement	18	JUDGE O'CONNELL: The other parties?
19	conference, July 11th, 2019; discovery deadline, the	19	MS. SUETAKE: No objection.
20	last day to issue data requests, July 15th, 2019;	20	MS. BROWN: Okay. That's acceptable.
21	cross-examination, exhibits, witness list, and time	21	JUDGE O'CONNELL: And, Mr. Gerhart?
22	estimates, July 23rd, 2019; evidentiary hearing,	22	MR. GERHART: No objections, Your Honor.
23	August 1st, 2019; simultaneous opening briefs,	23	JUDGE O'CONNELL: Okay. With that, I will
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2	else we should discuss? Okay. Hearing nothing, then we	
3	will be adjourned today. Thank you for appearing here	
4	and dealing with the lack of power. I appreciate it.	
5	Mr. Gerhart, thank you for your patience and	
6	willingness to be available on the phone.	
7	MR. GERHART: Of course. Thank you, Your	
8	Honor.	
9	MS. BROWN: Thank you.	
10	JUDGE O'CONNELL: With that, we'll be off	
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