

# **COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

**For the meeting of:** 11/19/2019

File #: 19-1662

**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Supervisor Mike Wilson

**Agenda Section:** Initiated by Board Member

#### **SUBJECT:**

Letter of Support to the California Public Utilities Commission regarding the Pacific Gas and Electric Bankruptcy (Supervisor Mike Wilson)

#### RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair to sign the letter.

#### SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Both the federal bankruptcy and state law require the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approve any Plan of Reorganization in the current proceedings of Pacific Gas and Electric Company and their parent corporation's bankruptcy. Therefore, local leaders across California sent a letter to President Batjer and Commissioners of the CPUC on November 4, 2019, regarding the "Critical Matters Related to the PG&E Bankruptcy". The letter recommends that the CPUC look at more than a restructuring of the existing PG&E company. It suggests exploring options such as a customer-owned utility structure.

Humboldt County would like to send a letter supporting this collaborative approach and encourage the CPCU address other options that would better serve the interests of the customers and provide a new approach to utility management.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

#### STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by providing community-appropriate levels of service

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### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

N/A

# **ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**Board Discretion** 

# ATTACHMENTS:

Letter Dated November 4, 2019 Board Letter of Support

### PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: N/A File No.: N/A