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14 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
15 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
16 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

17 In re

18 PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC
19 COMPANY, a California corporation,

20 Debtor.

21 Federal I.D. No. 94-0742640

Case No. 01 30923 DM

Chapter 11 Case

**KEKER & VAN NEST'S COVER SHEET
APPLICATION FOR ALLOWANCE AND
PAYMENT OF INTERIM
COMPENSATION AND
REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR
THE PERIOD DECEMBER 1, 2001
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2001**

Judge: HON. DENNIS MONTALI

[No Hearing Scheduled]

Acc. Add: Kids Ugc Mail Center

1 Keker & Van Nest, L.L.P. (the "Firm") submits its Cover Sheet Application (the
2 "Application") for Allowance and Payment of Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of
3 Expenses for the Period December 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001 (the "Application Period"). In
4 support of the Application, the Firm respectfully represents as follows:

5 1. The Firm is special counsel to Pacific Gas and Electric Company, the debtor in
6 possession in the above-referenced bankruptcy case (the "Debtor"). The Firm hereby applies to
7 the Court for allowance and payment of interim compensation for services rendered and
8 reimbursement of expenses incurred during the Application Period.

9 2. The Firm billed a total of \$16,190.63 in fees and expenses during the Application
10 Period. The total fees represent 51.025 hours expended during the period covered by this
11 Application. These fees and expenses break down as follows:

Period	Fees	Expenses	Total
December 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001	\$16,117.23	\$73.40	\$16,190.63

15 3. Accordingly, the Firm seeks allowance of interim compensation in the amount of
16 a total of \$13,773.05 at this time. This total is comprised as follows:

17 \$13,699.65 (85% of the fees for services rendered)¹ plus

18 \$73.40 (100% of the expenses incurred).

19 4. For the post-petition period, the Firm has been paid to date as follows:

20 \$310,238.25.

21 5. To date, the Firm is owed as follows (excluding amounts owed pursuant to this
22 Application): \$25,845.63.

23 6. With regard to the copies of this Application served on counsel for the
24 Committee, counsel for the Debtor and the Office of the United States Trustee, (a) attached as
25 Exhibit 1 hereto is the name of each professional who performed services in connection with this
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28 ¹ Payment of this amount would result in a "holdback" of \$2,417.58.

1 case during the period covered by this Application and the hourly rate for each such professional;
2 and (b) attached as Exhibit 2 are the detailed time and expense statements for the Application
3 Period that comply with all Northern District of California Bankruptcy Local Rules and
4 Compensation Guidelines and the Guidelines of the Office of the United States Trustee.

5 7. The Firm served a copy of this Application on the Special Notice List in this case
6 on January 16, 2002.

7 8. Pursuant to this Court's "ORDER ESTABLISHING INTERIM FEE
8 APPLICATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURE" which was entered on
9 or about July 26, 2001, and the "AMENDED ORDER ESTABLISHING INTERIM FEE
10 APPLICATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT" which was entered on or about
11 November 8, 2001, the Debtor is authorized to make the payment requested herein without a
12 further hearing or order of this Court unless an objection to this Application is filed with the
13 Court by the Debtor, the Committee or the United States Trustee and served by the fifteenth day
14 of the month following the service of this Application. If such an objection is filed, Debtor is
15 authorized to pay the amounts, if any, not subject to the objection. The Firm is informed and
16 believes that this Cover Sheet Application was mailed by first class mail, post prepaid, on or
17 about January 28, 2002.

18 9. The interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses sought in this
19 Application is on account and is not final. Upon the conclusion of these cases, the Firm will seek
20 fees and reimbursement of the expenses incurred for the totality of the services rendered in this
21 case. Any interim fees or reimbursement of expenses approved by this Court and received by the
22 Firm (along with the Firm's retainer) will be credited against such final fees and expenses as may
23 be allowed by this Court.

24 10. The Firm represents and warrants that its billing practices comply with all
25 Northern District of California Bankruptcy Local Rules and Compensation Guidelines and the
26 Guidelines of the Office of the United States Trustee. Neither the Firm nor any members of the
27 Firm has any agreement or understanding of any kind or nature to divide, pay over or share any
28 portion of the fees or expenses to be awarded to the Firm with any other person or attorney


1 except as among the members and associates of the Firm.

2 WHEREFORE, the Firm respectfully requests that the Debtor pay compensation to the
3 Firm as requested herein pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the "ORDER
4 ESTABLISHING INTERIM FEE APPLICATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
5 PROCEDURE."

6 Dated: January 16, 2001

KEKER & VAN NEST, L.L.P.

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8 By:



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PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC
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