

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**  
**Wildfire Mitigation Plans Discovery 2023**  
**Data Response**

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**QUESTION 001**

The article states the following:

The California utility company PG&E spent about \$2.5 billion on a yearslong effort aimed at reducing wildfire risk by cutting or clearing more than a million trees growing alongside power lines.<sup>3</sup>

It now says that work was largely ineffective and is eliminating the program, according to an internal analysis reviewed by The Wall Street Journal and interviews with utility executives.

- a) Did PG&E provide an internal analysis to the Wall Street Journal as described in the article?
- b) If the answer to part (a) is yes, please provide a copy of the internal analysis described in the article.
- c) If the answer to part (a) is yes, please state when PG&E provided a copy of the internal analysis to the Wall Street Journal.
- d) If the answer to part (a) is no, is PG&E aware of the internal analysis described in the article?
- e) If the answer to part (d) is yes, please provide a copy of the internal analysis described in the article.

**ANSWER 001**

- a) PG&E did not say that the work was largely ineffective. PG&E provided the following materials to WSJ; however, PG&E does not know how they were used by WSJ. Please see attachment "*WMP-Discovery2023DR\_DR\_CalAdvocates\_027-Q001Atch01*".
- b) Please see part (a).
- c) The materials were shared on July 25, 2023.
- d) Not applicable.
- e) Please see part (a).