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WIRES Grows by Two Major Transmission Providers

WASHINGTON, DC –[Pacific Gas & Electric Company](#) and [National Grid](#) have joined **WIRES** as full members, following a vote by the organization's members.

“We are very pleased to have at the table two such important participants in the high voltage transmission sector,” said **WIRES President Phillip Grigsby** of Duke Energy. “PG&E and National Grid will help **WIRES** focus on transmission issues that are important to electricity markets nationally and the specific challenges in their regions. I look forward to working with them in promoting robust transmission infrastructure in the national interest.”

“This development signals that the representative business models and geographic diversity of the **WIRES** membership remains important to the group's internal conversations as well as its views on transmission policy and law,” asserted **Jim Hoecker, WIRES Counsel and Advisor** and former Chairman of the FERC.

"PG&E is looking forward to engaging with **WIRES** and its membership to support the needs of customers through economic expansion of the nation's grid" said **Gregg Lemler, VP of Transmission Operations** at PG&E.

WIRES (Working group for Investment in Reliable and Economic electric Systems) is a non-profit trade association of investor-, publicly-, and cooperatively owned transmission providers, transmission customers, regional grid managers, and equipment and service companies. WIRES promotes investment in electric transmission and progressive State and Federal policies that advance energy markets, economic efficiency, and consumer and environmental benefits through development of electric power infrastructure. For more information, visit www.wiresgroup.com or contact Jim Hoecker at 202-378-2316.