

# Judge Orders PG&E Directors to Visit Town Destroyed by Wildfire



A federal judge on Tuesday ordered Pacific Gas and Electric Co.'s board to tour the Butte County community where the company's equipment is suspected of starting a historically devastating California wildfire last year.

The *San Francisco Chronicle* reports that "U.S. District Judge William Alsup made the decision at a sentencing hearing he held for the utility regarding a violation of its probation arising from the 2010 San Bruno pipeline explosion. Alsup previously found the utility did not properly report a settlement it reached over a small 2017 fire."

Alsup said he wanted the energy company executives to "see the gravity of what happened up there" and indicated he likely will join the tour.

**Read the *SF Chronicle* article.**