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.