

Willdan Awarded New \$10 Million PG&E Public Energy Efficiency Program

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ANAHEIM, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Dec. 15, 2020-- Willdan Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: WLDN) announced today that Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has awarded a new energy efficiency program to Willdan that serves K-12 public schools and both local and federal government buildings. The four-and-a-half-year, \$10 million contract is one of PG&E's first programs to include both energy efficiency and integrated demand-side management (IDSM) in a single customer offering. The contract has a pay-for-performance structure that includes a pathway for Normalized Metered Energy Consumption (NMEC) to support energy savings measurement and verification for projects.

"We appreciate this opportunity to expand our services and customer reach in PG&E's territory," said Tom Brisbin, Willdan's CEO and Chairman. "Our suite of proven analytics software – including LoadSEER, B3, and NEO – will help us cost-effectively reach the customers with the greatest savings potential and move forward with highly efficient upgrades. With the 2018 acquisition of Newcomb Anderson McCormick strengthening our California-based public energy engineering experience, we can provide customers with the technical experience they need to complete more complex projects and move toward zero net energy."

Willdan has partnered with key community organizations and delivery partners to perform outreach. Willdan will leverage both in-house technical expertise and an open network of Trade Pros to deliver energy efficiency, demand response, energy management technologies, and to evaluate customers' potential for distributed energy resources and electrification. The inclusion of IDSM supports grid resiliency, which has become increasingly important in light of California's recent wildfires.

This latest contract award is one of several that Willdan received in the California Investor-Owned Utilities' new, multi-stage competitive bidding process.

About Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Pacific Gas and Electric Company, a subsidiary of <u>PG&E Corporation</u> (NYSE:PCG), is one of the largest combined natural gas and electric energy companies in the United States. Based in San Francisco, with more than 23,000 employees, the company delivers some of the nation's cleanest energy to 16 million people in Northern and Central California. For more information, visit <u>pge.com</u> and <u>pge.com/news</u>.

About Willdan

Willdan is a nationwide provider of professional technical and consulting services to utilities, government agencies, and private industry. Willdan's service offerings span a broad set of complementary disciplines that include electric grid solutions, energy efficiency and sustainability, engineering and planning, and municipal financial consulting. For additional information, visit Willdan's website at www.willdan.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements in this press release that are not purely historical, including statements regarding Willdan's intentions, hopes, beliefs, expectations, representations, projections, estimates, plans, or predictions of the future are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties including, but not limited to, the risk that Willdan will not be able to reduce costs and preserve liquidity to maintain its operations during the continuation of this pandemic nor be able to resume its growth trajectory once pandemic-related restrictions are lifted and the economy begins to recover. It is important to note that Willdan's actual results could differ materially from those in any such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include, but are not limited to, the ultimate impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on Willdan's results, prospects, and opportunities; Willdan's ability to adequately complete projects in a timely manner; Willdan's ability to compete successfully in the highly competitive energy efficiency services market; changes in state, local, and regional economies and government budgets; Willdan's ability to successfully integrate its acquisitions and execute on its growth strategy. Willdan's business could be affected by a number of other factors, including the risk factors listed from time to time in Willdan's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including, but not limited to, the Annual Report on Form 10-K filed for the year ended December 27, 2019. Willdan cautions investors not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements contained in this press release. Willdan disclaims any obligation to, and does not undertake to, update or revise any forward-looking statements in this press release.

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