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Happy Thanksgiving!

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Thanksgiving is a holiday that always gets overlooked because of how gigantic Christmas is in comparison. The same analogy can be drawn from the ongoing organizing drive happening in the Planning Department today: "It's important but I don't have the time to deal with it." We are all overworked and overwhelmed by the sheer volume of tasks that keep us up at night, but no matter how bad it seems, we need to slow down, breathe, and ponder about what is important.

Although it may seem like just another task to take care of, organizing the Planning Department is THE MOST IMPORTANT GOAL in front of us today.

Organizing planning professionals cannot be put off, set aside, or ignored because it will affect us, the company we work for, and any future employees who will have the pleasure to work alongside us.

There is much work to be done, and it seems like the never-ending waves-of-things-I-need-to-do will continually crash without remorse. This week, while there's a pause in the chaos, think about what matters: our family, our friends, and our careers that are worth protecting.

This is bigger than you and me. Keeping our families in perspective helps us to make the right decisions for future generations. I want my children to be able to work at Edison and love their jobs as much as I love mine. But in order to create that future I have to organize to protect the benefits and working conditions that seem to keep disappearing such as bankable sick time, Op-min, vacation, and the pension, which is no longer available to new hires.

I want to protect what is most valuable to me and forming a union of professionals is how we protect our families, our careers, and our future. If we truly value our jobs, we will take the time and energy necessary to ensure our future here at Edison.

No one can make this decision for you. If you are still on the fence about signing a card, please reach out to one of your ESC-supporting peers today and ask some questions. If you want to speak to an organizer, they are available for your calls. If you want to speak to an existing PG&E ESC member, we have volunteers who would be glad to answer your questions.

You owe it to your family to at least research the facts.

From my family to yours, we wish you a wonderful and well-deserved time away from work to be with your families and a HAPPY THANKSGIVING!





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We want each and every Planner and Designer to be informed. If you need help talking with your coworkers or want to join the organizing effort, please contact your ESC organizer:

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