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Timing Energy Use to Save Money & Help the Planet

In a big shift that's being watched around the nation, millions of California residents will soon start experiencing a new way of paying for the electricity they use. For most residential customers, this should result in lower bills and the satisfaction of knowing they're doing right by the planet. But none of this will happen without some changes in personal behavior.

If you haven't yet heard the acronym TOU, which stands for Time of Use energy pricing, odds are good you will in the weeks and months ahead. Public outreach and educational campaigns are already taking root across the state. But it might be more appropriate to use the term Time of Savings, because that's what most electricity customers are likely to find appealing. And that doesn't refer only to money.

By planning their heaviest electricity use outside the peak periods when demands for power is



Consumers can save money and help the environment with electricity reductions during peak hours

highest—generally from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.—California electricity users can help the state become less reliant on power generated from fossil fuels, which emit the greenhouse gases that cause and exacerbate climate change.

And if customers can switch some of those electricity intensive uses to hours of the day or night when the state's electric grid has a greater supply of solar and wind energy, most people will see a reduction in their monthly bills.

"Transitioning millions of people to time of use pricing is a big deal for California," said Michael Picker, President of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). "It can motivate people to use cleaner, renewable energy, so it's an effective tool in the fight against climate change, and it can help in managing the electric grid without having to build new gasfired plants to meet peak demand.

And for most people, it can lead to savings on their monthly bills without having to change their behavior very much. It gives customers more control over their own energy use and California's."

The transition to the new way of charging for electricity stems from residential rate reform legislation passed in 2013, and a follow-up CPUC decision that ordered pilot TOU programs for the state's

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State Continues Efforts to Mitigate Utility Involvement in Wildfires



There are many safety initiatives underway at the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) as it works to assure Californians' access to safe and reliable utility infrastructure and services. Safety-related articles will be featured again in future issues.

Statewide actions to mitigate wildfires are continuing, with the CPUC, CAL FIRE, the Legislature,

and the Governor's newly appointed five-member Commission on Catastrophic Wildfire Cost and Recovery (Wildfire Commission) all focused on their respective roles in attempting to mitigate the impact of catastrophic wildfires.

One of the important efforts underway at the CPUC is the implementation of Senate Bill 901. An aspect of the legislation requires electric utilities to prepare and submit wildfire mitigation plans that describe the utilities' plans to prevent, combat, and respond to wildfires affecting their service ter-

ritories. Although electric utilities typically cause only a small portion of the state's wildfires, utility lines and other have equipment have been implicated in some of the most devastating conflagrations over the past few years. The CPUC is currently reviewing the plans, which are on the CPUC's website.

De-energization—also known as Public Safety Power Shutoffs or

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three large investor-owned utilities: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E), and Southern California Edison (SCE). The CPUC also ordered marketing and educational outreach to consumers, with pilot plans leading to mandatory TOU pricing starting this year. If customers don't want to participate in the new TOU rates, they can opt out.

San Diego will be the first market where the utility is required to provide the time-based billing system that charges customers based not just on how much electricity they use, but also on when they use it. Eventually, some 750,000 customers in the SDG&E service area will be affected,

California is a world leader in solar and wind energy and the state is well on its way toward meeting legislative requirements that it get 50 percent of its electricity from renewable sources by 2030. But California's ability to reach and exceed that target requires further advancement of energy storage capability and some tinkering with electricity rates.

In the daylight hours, when solar energy is abundant, most people are at work, so home electricity usage drops. Demand rises in the peak 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. period, when millions of people return home after work and start cooking dinner, running their air conditioners and dish washers, or cranking up the heat to stay warm.

Time of Use (TOU) Energy Pricing Q&A

Q: Will a TOU rate cost customers more money?

A: Analysis by the CPUC has shown that over an entire year most customers will range from saving \$2 to paying \$2 more vs. the current rate, assuming no change in behavior. This may end up in higher bills in the summer and lower bills in the winter. If customers can shift large appliance usage (washers, air conditioners, etc.) to off peak hours, they will save money. If they use large amounts of power on-peak (4-9 p.m.), especially in the summer months, they will pay more. Any customer can opt-out of TOU and back to a tiered rate at any time.

Q: What is bill protection?

A: Bill protection means that if a customer has paid more on TOU vs. what they would have paid on the tiered rate, they will receive the difference as a bill credit at the end of the first year or, if they decide to opt out of TOU, at the time of opt-out. Each bill a TOU customer receives during the first year will show this 'shadow bill' amount.

Q: What outreach efforts are the IOUs and the CPUC engaged in?

A: The CPUC, through its Energy Upgrade California initiative,

has embarked on an extensive outreach campaign to connect with Californians and help them understand the importance of their energy use at certain times. This campaign includes all types of mass media, in various languages, and accompanying work with community based organizations (CBOs) and nonprofits to reach critical customer groups such as the disabled and rural communities. The investor-owned utilities were required to submit marketing plans for approval to the CPUC. These include mass media and CBO outreach as well as a series of direct communications to customers, including a personalized bill comparison.

Q: Who will be exempt from moving to TOU rates by default? A: Statutory exemptions exist for:

- Customers without 1 year of interval data (for bill comparisons)
- Individuals on medical baseline rates
- Vulnerable customers who cannot be disconnected without an in-person visit and/or third-party notification

Additionally, the CPUC has ruled that customers who are eligible for the low income programs CARE and FERA in certain hot areas will not be defaulted to TOU.

with the utility rolling out the new pricing in phases so SDG&E has time to notify customers and explain the changes to them. PG&E and SCE say that they need more time to overhaul their billing systems, so their customers will start participating in default TOU rates in 2020.

As Edward Randolph, the CPUC's Deputy Executive Director for Energy and Climate Policy, recently said in an interview, "An effective way to respond to time of use rates is not to stop using your appliances.



Early marketing and outreach efforts are already underway in San Diego

It's to think about when you use your appliances. If you can do laundry earlier in the day or later in the evening, that's when you can do it, not at 7 in the evening."

Although putting together the various TOU rate plans has been a timeconsuming and complex undertaking, the idea behind the new pricing system is actually quite simple. Businesses and agricultural interests, in fact, have been paying based on time of use for some time. In San Diego, where SDG&E's website declares, "It's time to think about energy differently," customers will have two TOU plans to choose from, but the key fact to know is that electricity will cost more during peak-time hours.

Hence the marketing campaign scheduled to begin in San Diego in May that will urge customers to "power down" between 4 p.m. and 9 p.m., when demand is highest, and the electric grid is more dependent on fossil fuel.

The greatest potential for customers to save would be during off-peak hours in the summer. Summer peak costs run as high as 45 cents per kilowatt-hour, compared to 21 cents per kilowatt-hour for electricity used during off-peak summer hours.

Under CPUC-directed protections, SDG&E will provide customers a monthly comparison of their spending on electricity under the new billing system and the utility's standard, tiered pricing. For the first year, if the new system winds up costing existing SDG&E customers more, they'll get a bill credit at the end of the year. Customers could also opt whenever they want.

"The feedback we got at SMUD through extensive pilot-scale testing was customers liked it, they elected to stay in the program, and SMUD saved energy," said CPUC Commissioner Genevieve Shiroma, who was on the board at SMUD, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, for

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20 years before Governor Newsom appointed her to the CPUC earlier this year. SMUD has been phasing in TOU pricing for all residential customers since October 2018. Commercial customers are already fully phased in.

"It's been a very positive shift overall," Commissioner Shiroma added,

"and I'm hoping we'll see a similar customer reaction with the investorowned utilities."

Details on the various pricing plans for SDG&E can be found at the <u>utility's TOU website</u>. Additional information is also available at the <u>CPUC's website for TOU rates</u>.

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PSPS—is an element of each wildfire mitigation plan, with unique impacts demanding additional review by the CPUC. The wildfire mitigation plans proceeding and the de-energization proceeding both contemplate decisions in time for the 2019 wildfire season.

"This approach is a paradigm shift not just for how the state approaches wildfires, but also for electricity safety in general," said to Elizaveta Malashenko, the CPUC's Deputy Executive Director for Safety and Enforcement.

The CPUC is evaluating the utility wildfire mitigation plans with public input. More than 300 stakeholders and experts attended three days of public workshops in February to learn more about the plans and to discuss some of their significant aspects, including vegetation management, system hardening such as changing out overhead lines with covered conductors, and technological fixes that may reduce wildfire ignition and spread.

Most of the workshop interest was focused on plans from the three large utilities – Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E), and Southern California Edison (SCE). Most contained similar elements but with differing priorities and scales.

"It is important to be realistic about what can be accomplished in the first round of what will be an annual process," said Deputy Executive Director Malashenko. "What the wildfire mitigation plans show is that no single measure can quickly eliminate the risk of fire ignition."

At the workshop, each investorowned utility presented unique risk assessment models, priorities, and budgets. There was general agreement that these annual plans will change over time as the body of knowledge grows and systems



The Woolsey Fire that burned in Los Angeles and Ventura counties throughout November 2018

are tested and analyzed.

For example, the plans will evolve with changes to technology. Such technological advances will be explored in detail at a statewide Wildfire Technology Innovation Summit being organized by the CPUC, CalOES, and other partners March 20-21 in Sacramento.

In their wildfire plans, PG&E and SCE have proposed wildfire reduction measures that include increased inspections, enhanced vegetation management, and system hardening measures such as increased use of covered conductors. Other possible mitigation approaches covered in these plans include increased use of LiDAR in inspections, and joint patrols with fire agencies to inspect infrastructure and detect risks.

SDG&E also proposed hardened infrastructure, advanced analytic systems, and vegetation management programs. All three companies include de-energization proposals, consistent with the requirements of Senate Bill 901.

During the second of three workshops, attendees focused on legal, practical, and procedural issues, including how the plans would potentially be implemented.

The vegetation management portion of the workshop commanded considerable discussion, with utility representatives asserting that some communities support additional tree-trimming near electrical wires, while other communities are concerned about what they perceive to be over-zealous tree-trimming. Utility representatives also described challenges in getting the various permits needed for tree trimming, especially in sensitive habitat areas and on private properties.

Wildfire mitigation efforts continue in other state agencies as well, many of which require input and collaboration with the CPUC. For example, the first meeting of the Governor's new Wildfire Commission, chaired by former CPUC Commissioner Carla J. Peterman, featured presentations by the Energy and Safety Divisions of the

CPUC and its CAL FIRE partner, as well as by utilities and State Insurance Commission representatives. According to the Wildfire Commission's website, one responsibility of the Commission is to produce recommendations on changes to law that would ensure equitable distribution of costs among affected parties. Those recommendations are due to the Governor and the Legislature by July 1, 2019.

These activities demonstrate the State's focused and highly collaborative efforts to prevent, fight, and respond to catastrophic wildfires in California.

"The scale of the disasters we're experiencing is really growing," CPUC President Michael Picker said recently. "We are seeing the impacts of climate change. The things that worked in the past don't work anymore. We're all going to have to step it up."

Helping Deaf and Disabled with Phone Access

Most people take using the telephone for granted, but when a person has difficulty hearing, seeing, speaking, moving, or remembering, a simple telephone call may be difficult and could prevent communication with family, friends, healthcare professionals, and others.

The same telecommunications technology that fuels innovation has produced specialized phones, devices, and accessories, so people with disabilities can communicate more easily on the phone. The CPUC's Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program (DDTP) was developed to help those who need assistance in using the telephone.



15-year-old Javier Felix with his parents, using DDTP's voice-activated dialer

Fifteen-year-old Javier Felix needed such assistance. Javier, who is blind, had difficulty using a standard telephone. When asked how he felt about DDTP's voice-activated dialer, he said, "I'm happier than ever to be able to call my family when I need to. I like having the ability to call my uncle on my own. I love that I can speak and it does all the work. I'm excited to get calls from everybody!"

Javier's mother Stephanie said, "As parents all you want for your child is to be like other children. So, we always try to treat Javier as any regular kid and this program made that possible. It provided him with independence. Javier is an assertive kid, and this just pushed him to the top and beyond. I can only wish that these words help others and connect kids or adults with this organization."



DDTP has also helped Joshua Lindsey, who uses DDTP's anti-stuttering device

DDTP has also helped Joshua Lindsey. Joshua had stuttered all of his young life. When asked about how his life had changed after receiving the DDTP's anti-stuttering device, he said, "It's really helped me. Now I can have conversations with people and I don't have to worry about what people think."

Thanks to phones like the CapTel, telephone calls are possible again for many people who are hard-of-hearing and who benefit from a specialized telephone called a captioned telephone. Captioned telephone users can now listen, read, and talk on the phone without missing a word. The captioned telephone displays word-for-word captions of everything friends, family, and others say on the phone.



Nancy Bowers using the DDTP's CapTel phone

Nancy Bowers, who is late deafened, now can communicate with her mother every day using the DDTP's CapTel phone. "My mother's voice on the captioned phone feels wonderful and makes me cry," she said.

In today's environment, Californians now rely on their mobile phones more than ever to meet their telecommunications needs. To help meet the challenges that many Californians face when using their mobile device, the DDTP recently began offering specialized wireless accessories, such as the Hear-All, that pair with mobile devices.



Iliona Montel using a DDTP cellphone amplifier

Before receiving the DDTP's cellphone amplifier, Iliona Montel, felt cut off from people. But now she says, "I use this device at various times throughout my day—every day. My communication without the

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Hear-All would be nearly impossible. This helps me communicate with the community. It is essential for me. I would definitely recommend this device to others because of the quality of communication and because it helps battle depression and isolation for the people who cannot hear or communicate with those surrounding them."

In addition, to telephone equipment, the DDTP has also developed the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) smartphone training pilot. Consumers bring their own iPhone or Android smartphones and receive training in a classroom environment.

During BYOD group training sessions, participants learn to use the basic features of their smartphones, as well as the built-in accessibility features to communicate more easily. Android and iPhone trainings are conducted at numerous Community Based Organizations throughout California and at all seven full-time DDTP Service Centers.

Loring Barker participated in one of the DDTP's BYOD pilot classes and said, "The class was very useful to me as a new smartphone user. It helped me get up and using the most important features right away." He went on to say, "The class also taught us about the accessibility elements that make smartphones easier to use for people with difficulty seeing or hearing."

In total, the DDTP offers approximately 100 specialized phones, devices, and accessories. These help the hard of hearing by amplifying sound, adjusting tone and pitch, light up for incoming calls, and display phone conversation as text.

For customers with vision difficulties, there are phones that have large buttons with raised numbers. Customers with mobility difficulties can benefit from portable phones. For people with difficulty remembering or



Loring Barker learning about smartphone accessibility elements through a DDTP BYOD pilot class

learning, there are speed dial phone buttons incorporating photographs. There are also devices that improve sound on users' own mobile phones.

Thanks to these specialized phones, now all eligible Californians can communicate more easily.

Get to Know Us: Meet Abhi Wadhwa

Abhilash "Abhi" Wadhwa has been "all in" on energy efficiency, both as policy and practice, now and in her youth. When most students were publishing scholarly papers—and she has published her share-- Abhi was most driven by on-the-ground applications of her research.

While still an undergraduate in Architecture at Sarvajanik College of Engineering and Technology in Surat, India, Abhi designed a "green" Hindu Crematorium. The challenge was to combine a deep-rooted spiritual and cultural tradition of loved ones witnessing riverside cremation with modern electric and greener technologies. Her final design was featured in India's national architectural magazine.

Her Masters of Architecture thesis at the University of Nevada proved more challenging.

"Architects are very aware of carbon footprints," Abhi explains. "Already-built structures emit nearly 40 percent of annual global greenhouse gas emissions, and many of the energy efficiency opportunities are locked in once the structure is built."



Abhi Wadhwa leads the lighting and metrics team for energy efficiency programs at the CPUC

She spent several months successfully designing a strategic approach to energy conservation planning in the Las Vegas area, considering ways to map residential energy use and CO2 emissions without impinging on privacy. She says peer pressure is a strong

motivator for limiting household carbon-producing behavior, but privacy laws often prohibit data collection at a level that is granular enough to provide meaningful information.

Although that thesis earned her several awards, Abhi acknowl-

edges that her vision of creating an open source tool for planning entities to use remains unrealized—yet. At the CPUC, she is overseeing a contract with UCLA that continues research in that arena. She remains committed

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to providing carbon management solutions at an urban scale and across sectors.

In her current job, Abhi continues to use her architectural skills, honed while designing and constructing passive solar buildings and energy efficient building technologies. She leads the lighting and metrics team for energy efficiency programs at the CPUC. She is also part of a small group developing the long-term vision and mission for the CPUC's Energy Efficiency Branch, which she says is both motivating and humbling.

Abhi brings to that effort similar experience gained during her time as a supervisor at the California Energy Commission Existing Building Unit, where she was charged with writing a roadmap for how energy efficiency will be delivered over the next 10 years. She describes it as a visionary document, created with the CPUC and the Legislature, to examine how the efficiency dream fits with years of decisions and programs already in place.

Both of these visionary efforts were grounded in her real-life perspective, which was enhanced by her experience in the private sector working as a consultant for the state's investor-owned utilities, helping to evaluate their energy efficiency programs.

"We all know it is important to find a way to make already built buildings more energy efficient," she says, given that approximately two-thirds of the buildings that exist today will still exist in 2050. "What will it look like to be carbon-free in 2045?"

As an architect, it is not surprising to learn that her hobbies include sketching and photography. It's a little more surprising to hear she wants to establish a school in Sacramento for Kathak dance, which is a form of classical dance that originated in India.

"I am a classically trained dancer," she explains, and there is no school for Kathak here. Like ballet, this form of dance is highly athletic, and is storytelling that involves lots of twirling to music from a small orchestra. Unlike ballet, its precise rhythmic patterns are danced with a flat foot, often including up to 50 pirouettes that are balanced on a dancer's heel. In some countries, Kathak is trending as a social form of exercise. In the meantime, Abhi makes do with flamenco and tango as dance forms.

When asked which of her many accomplishments makes her most proud, she does not hesitate to switch gears again.

"Actually, my family," she declares. "My husband's family just moved in with us and we are a role model for how the modern family should function."

Abhi unabashedly "loves my in-laws to pieces" and sees her family as the epitome of how diametrically opposite political views can unite in love and everyday life.

That same deep appreciation of humanity surfaced in the workplace when Abhi returned to her desk at the CPUC offices in Sacramento recently after becoming a U.S. citizen to find flowers, balloons, cards, and applause.

"That's why I became a citizen,' she exclaims with tears and excitement in her voice, "because people here are so freaking awesome!"

The Docket: Proceedings Filed at the CPUC in Feb. 2019

PROCEEDING NUMBER • FILED DATE • FILER

R1807003 • 22-Jan-2019 • ALJ/MASON/CPUC Proposed Decision accepting Draft 2018 Renewables Portfolio Standard Procurement Plans. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=259972644

R1302008 • 22-Jan-2019 • CMMR/RECHTSCHAFFEN/CPUC Proposed Decision regarding biomethane tasks in Senate Bill 840. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=259972085

R1210012 • 22-Jan-2019 • CMMR/GUZMAN ACEVES/CPUC Proposed Decision revising the California Advanced Services Fund Broadband Adoption Account Provisions. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=259972757

A1811001 • 24-Jan-2019 • CMMR/PICKER/CPUC
Decision Granting Pacific Gas and Electric Company an Exemption from Public Utilities Code Sections 817, 818 and 851 for the Limited Purpose of Debtor-In -Possession Financing. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=259972472

A1810003 • 24-Jan-2019 • CMMR/PICKER/CPUC Proposed Decision granting Pacific Gas and Electric Company an exemption from Public Utilities Code Sections 823 and 851 for the limited purpose of debtor-in-possession financing.

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http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&Doc ID=259972349

A1901014 • 29-Jan-2019 • Cox California Telcom, LLC Application of Cox California Telcom, LLC (U5684-C) Requesting the Commission Not Require Cox to Pay Disputed Surcharge Amounts Identified in Audit Report. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=265820389

A1901012 • 31-Jan-2019 • Southwest Gas Corporation
In the Matter of the Application of Southwest Gas Corporation (U905G) for authority to: (1) issue one or more types of debt securities in the principal amount of up to \$500,000,000; (2) refinance previously issued short-term debt securities; (3) refinance previously authorized securities under the Evergreening Authority Guidelines; and (4) enter into one or more interest rate risk management contracts. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=263211419

A1902002 • 01-Feb-2019 • Southwest Gas Corporation Application of Southwest Gas Corporation (U905G) for Authority to Revise its California Gas Tariff to Modify the Gas Cost Incentive Mechanism, implement a Biomethane Gas Program, and Modify Transportation Customer Balancing Requirements and Operational Flow Orders. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/ SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=263673372

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A1803015 • 05-Feb-2019 • ALJ/JUNGREIS/CPUC Interim decision granting interim rate relief and recovery of forecasted costs. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=263673392

A1902004 • 07-Feb-2019 • Pacific Gas and Electric Company Application of PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation, for a Permit to Construct the Humboldt Bay-Humboldt #1 60 kV Reconductoring Project Pursuant to General Order 131-D. (U39E) http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=264402986

A1902003 • 08-Feb-2019 • Silicon Business System
Application of Silicon Business System for a Certificate of Public
Convenience and Necessity to provide: (i) limited facilitiesbased and resold competitive local exchange service throughout the service territories of Pacific Bell Telephone Company,
Verizon/Frontier California, Inc., SureWest Telephone, and
Citizens Telecommunications Company of California, Inc.; and
(ii) limited facilities-based and resold interexchange services on
a statewide basis. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=263449781

A0807021, A0807022, A0807023, A0807031• 08-Feb-2019 • PG&E, et al

Proposed Decision granting the Petition for Modification of Decision (D.) 09-09-047, filed by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), subject to the terms and conditions authorized herein. As requested, we modify D.09-09-047 to raise PG&E's loan caps under the on-bill financing (OBF) program for energy efficiency projects. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=A ll&DocID=264402994

A1711005 • 08-Feb-2019 • ALJ/LAU/CPUC

Proposed Decision granting approval of a lease of transfer capability rights from San Diego Gas & Electric Company to Citizens Energy Corporation. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.as px?DocFormat=All&DocID=265165534

P1811004 • 08-Feb-2019 • ALJ/DOHERTY/CPUC
Proposed Decision denying petition to open a rulemaking to consider real time pricing for electricity and demand charge reforms. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=A ll&DocID=265370649

A1902005 • 08-Feb-2019 • U.S. TelePacific Corp.
In the Matter of the Joint Application of U.S. TelePacific Corp., (U5721C), Mpower Communications Corp. (U5859C), Arrival Communications, Inc.,(U5248C), DSCI, LLC,(U1422C) and, U.S.TelePacific Holdings Corp., and Pensare Acquisition Corp. for Expedited Approval to Transfer Indirect Control of U.S. TelePacific Corp., Mpower Communications Corp., Arrival Communications, Inc. and DSCI, LLC Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 854(a). http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=265376450

A1411016 • 26-Nov-2014 (reopened week of Feb. 4, 2019) • Southern California Edison Company Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for Approval of the Results of Its 2013 Local Capacity Requirements Request for Offers for the Moorpark Sub-Area. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=259972512

R0110024 • 15-Feb-2019 • ALJ/FITCH/CPUC

This decision denies the Protect Our Communities Foundation petition for modification of Decision (D.) 06-09-021 which approved a revised power purchase agreement of San Diego Gas & Electric Company for the Otay Mesa Energy Center Generating Plant, as well as D.06-02-031, which approved the earlier version of the PPA. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=266859062

A1805015 • 11-Feb-2019 • ALJ/KLINE/CPUC

This decision approves Southern California Edison Company's (SCE) Clean Energy Optimization Pilot (CEOP) and adopts the December 4, 2018 Settlement Agreement between SCE, Public Advocates Office of the Public Utilities Commission, the Natural Resources Defense Council, Regents of the University of California and California State University. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=265820355

A1902006 • 11-Feb-2019 • Calaveras Telephone Company Application for Rehearing of Resolution T-17637. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=265376511

A1902007 • 13-Feb-2019 • Cal-Ore Communications, Inc. (PUBLIC VERSION) Application of Cal-Ore Communications, Inc. (U7035C) for modification of its existing Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to include full facilities-based authority to construct facilities exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=266859508

A1705022 • 31-May-2017 (reopened week of Feb. 11, 2019) • California Water Service Company

Application of California Water Service Company (U60W) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Water Service to Travis Air Force Base and to Establish Rates. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=259972345

A1411007, A1411009, A1411010, A1411011 • 18-Nov-2014 (reopened week of Feb. 11, 2019) • Southern California Edison Company

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for Approval of its Energy Savings Assistance and California Alternate Rates for Energy Programs and Budgets for Program

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Years 2015-2017. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=266076434

A1902013 • 19-Feb-2019 • Main Event Transportation, Inc. Application of Main Event Transportation, Inc. dba Monterey Airbus, as seller, to sell and to transfer Passenger Stage Corporation Certificate PSC0016020 to GT Monterey, LLC, as buyer, pursuant to the provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 851, et seq. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=266859446

 ${\tt A1610020 \bullet 20\text{-}Feb\text{-}2019 \bullet San Pablo Bay Pipeline Company, LLC}$

Application of San Pablo Bay Pipeline Company LLC (PLC29) for authority, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 455.3, to increase its rates for pipeline transportation services within California. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=266859004

R1902012 • 21-Feb-2019 • California Public Utilities Commission

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Implement Senate Bill 1376 Requiring Transportation Network Companies to Provide Access for Persons with Disabilities, Including Wheelchair Users who need a Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle. Hard Copy Filed

R1707007 • 22-Feb-2019 • CMMR/PICKER/CPUC
Decision adopting proposals from March 15, 2018, working
Group One report. Opening comments, which shall not exceed
15 pages, are due March 14, 2019. Reply comments, which shall
not exceed 5 pages, are due 5 days after the last day for filing
comments. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=266859032

A1806009 • 22-Feb-2019 • ALJ/ATAMTURK/CPUC
Proposed Decision approving Southern California Gas Company's shareholder reward for Year 24 (2017-2018) of the Gas
Cost Incentive Mechanism. Opening comments, which shall not exceed 15 pages, are due no later than March 14, 2019. Reply comments, which shall not exceed 5 pages, are due 5 days after the last day for filing opening comments. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=268464398

P1809001 • 26-Feb-2019 • ALJ/POWELL/CPUC

This decision grants the Joint Motion of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and the Direct Access Customer Coalition, for Settlement of Petition18-09-001. Opening comments are due no later than March 18, 2019. Reply comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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A1802016, A1803001, A1803002 • 26-Feb-2019 • ALJ/STE-VENS/CPUC

Proposed Decision implementing the AB 2868 Energy Storage

Program and Investment Framework and approving AB 2868 Applications with modification. Opening comments are due no later than March 18, 2019. Reply comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing opening comments. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=269191162

A1703021 • 26-Feb-2019 • ALJ/AYOADE/CPUC

Proposed Decision granting the Application of Southern California Gas Company and San Diego Gas & Electric Company for approval of forecasted revenue requirements associated with certain pipeline safety enhancement plan projects and associated rate recovery; and authority to modify and/or create certain balancing accounts. Opening comments are due no later than March 18, 2019. Reply comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing opening comments. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=268737708

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Proposed Decision resolving Phase II of Southern California Edison Company's Compliance Application for its 2015 Energy Resource Recovery Account. Opening comments are due no later than March 18, 2019. Reply comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing opening comments. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=268738738

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Proposed Decision granting PacifiCorp a permit to construct the Lassen Substation Project. Opening comments are due no later than March 18, 2019. Reply comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing opening comments. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=268738740

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This decision modifies Decision 17-12-022 to provide increased flexibility, while maintaining compliance with the statutory budget limit, for year-to-year administrative expenditures in the implementation of the Solar on Multifamily Affordable Homes program. This decision also modifies the funding allocation dedicated for the Commission's Energy Division budget. Opening comments are due no later than March 18, 2019. Reply comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing opening comments. http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=269191167

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