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New CPUC Decisions Assist and Protect Consumers

Three major Decisions with strong consumer and ratepayer protections were unanimously approved by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) during Voting Meetings in June and July.

The first Decision provides additional protections for of natural gas and electric utility customers in an effort to reduce disconnections when bills go unpaid. It was approved at the CPUC's June 11 Voting Meeting.

Later, at the CPUC's July 16 Voting Meeting, a Decision was approved that requires wireless communications companies to provide more reliable service during wildfires and other emergencies.

The third Decision, also approved July 16, is believed to be the first action taken by a state regulatory body to establish ways of assessing the cumulative affordability of essential electricity, natural gas, water, and communications services. The goal is to better understand and alleviate the burden on California ratepayers when considering rate increases.

The measures all have particular resonance right now in California with the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on the economy, and with ongoing CPUC efforts to promote public safety in light of climate change and the growing wildfire threat as peak wildfire season approaches.

Speaking on the [disconnection Decision](#) that she was lead Commissioner on, Commissioner Martha Guzman Aceves



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said, "It's a nice little glimmer of hope in such a difficult time we've been having in society."

The Decision stems from the 2017 passage of Senate Bill 598, which called for the CPUC to develop rules, policies, and regulations to reduce the statewide disconnection rate of natural gas and electric utility customers by 2024.

When the bill was introduced by Sen. Ben Hueso, California was seeing an increase in utility disconnections for customers unable to pay their bills, even as the state's unemployment rate was declining.

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of color, the disabled and customers who live in places like the Inland Empire or Central Valley, where extreme summer heat is common, were disproportionately being disconnected from service.

At the same time, utility policies imposed fees on disconnected customers, with additional charges to get service restored. That had the compounded effect of penalizing people for being poor, Commissioner Guzman Aceves said. “Our system, though we may not have consciously done it this way, was yielding very discriminatory results, especially with Black Californians,” she added.

The Decision orders the four major investor-owned utilities (Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison, Southern California Gas Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric) to implement a variety of policies and rule changes that build upon disconnection protections passed by the CPUC in December 2018. Among other things, the new Decision:

- Orders sliding, utility-specific, annual disconnection caps through 2024;
- Institutes an Arrearage Management Payment program that forgives eligible customers’ debt in return for monthly on-time utility payments;
- Directs the establishment of a CPUC staff citation program to enforce customer protections;
- Directs a new stage in the proceeding to develop the Percentage of Income Payment Plan pilot programs that will cap bills at levels a customer can afford to pay;
- Eliminates all deposits and reconnection fees;
- Directs utilities to file plans for increasing Medical Baseline programs that make special allowances for customers with chronic medical conditions, consistent with Senate Bill 1338.

The Decision also made permanent an earlier interim action that prevents disconnections during extremely hot or cold days. And it extends COVID-19-related protections adopted earlier that will

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prevent disconnections until next year.

Commissioner Guzman Aceves and staff worked on the issue for more than two years, holding six workshops throughout the state and doing extensive outreach to stakeholders who don’t often participate in CPUC proceedings. The work also included developing a deep well of research data and looking at how other states were handling the growing numbers of customer disconnections and the devastating impact they can have on customers and families already struggling to make ends meet.

The telecommunications Decision requires California’s wireless companies to develop comprehensive resiliency plans to ensure necessary planning and network investments are made to maintain service to customers during a disaster or power outage, including Public Safety Power Shut-offs (PSPS) that utilities have been employing when extreme weather elevates the fire threat.

The action builds on [proposals](#) issued in March by CPUC President Marybel Batjer and a series of communications customer protection requirements the CPUC approved in a prior Decision ([D.19-08-025](#)). That Decision determined that the wildfires of 2017, 2018, and 2019, as well as the PSPS events initiated by utilities, revealed failures in California’s communications network that resulted in a loss of service to customers and endangered the lives of customers and first responders.

Widespread communications outages were reported, for instance, during the October and November 2019 wildfire and PSPS events, with significant outages occurring on networks supporting mobile, cable, Voice-over-Internet-Protocol (VoIP) communications, and Internet traffic.

To cite just one example, 57 percent of

cell sites in Marin County alone were out of service between October 26-27, 2019. Without access to 911 and the ability to reach first responders, Californians cannot access needed services, be safe, or even function in an emergency.

The new Decision will:

- Give wireless providers 60 days from the effective date of the new rules to submit to the CPUC, the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), and local emergency response agencies emergency operations plans detailing protocols for responding to a disaster. Wireless providers would also be required to provide emergency points of contact, verification of annual emergency preparedness exercises, and plans for communicating with the public during disasters and outages affecting their networks. These plans would be updated and filed annually.
- Adopt a 72-hour backup power requirement for wireless providers to ensure that a minimum level of service and coverage is maintained during disasters or power outages in Tier 2 and Tier 3 High Fire Threat Districts. Wireless providers would be required to have this infrastructure ready for use within 12 months.
- Require wireless providers to file comprehensive Communications Resiliency Plans with the CPUC that detail their ability to maintain a minimum level of service and coverage during a disaster or power outage. The plans would detail their use of an array of strategies, including backup power, redundancy, network hardening, temporary facilities, preparedness planning, and communication and coordination with other utilities, emergency responders, and the public.

Deepening Our Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

By CPUC President [Marybel Batjer](#)

Persistent racism and discrimination have been endemic in our nation since its founding. The horrific events of the last several months that included the brutal murder of George Floyd by a Minneapolis police officer were tragic and urgent reminders that “the more perfect union” offered in our constitution remains an elusive work in progress.

These events and the Black Lives Matter movement call for sweeping societal changes and they call on each one of us to examine how we contribute to, and are affected by, the systemic oppression of Black people.

As a public agency, and as public servants, I view it as our duty and obligation to support this work in how we serve and protect the people of this state and in managing the CPUC. And I take very seriously the CPUC’s role in ensuring that all members of society are treated justly and protected by the entities we regulate. It was in this spirit that I reached out to all CPUC staff in early June, seeking an honest conversation about what we can do to embody these objectives in how we engage with and make decisions that will impact communities of color, and ensure these objectives are reflected in how we manage within the CPUC, and how we work with and support our colleagues.

The many candid conversations with staff reinforced the urgent need to deepen our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in our policies and practices. We are living in a period of tremendous and disruptive change—economic, social, demographic, and more. That means every organization, including the CPUC, is undergoing cultural changes. We must examine the ways that systemic and institutional biases are built into and have influenced the ways we recruit, hire, train, and promote people. We must also focus on what actions we can take to ensure the CPUC is a place where employees feel valued by the organization and that what they are asked to do every day is valuable to the people we serve. This is vital for the

CPUC to do its best work and to attract and retain the best staff.

As an initial step in making change, in July we established a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Working Group made up of staff from varying Divisions and levels of the organization. This new Working Group will advise the CPUC on organizational changes aimed to achieve diversity, equity, and inclusion as cultural and institutional imperatives.

The new Working Group is only the beginning.

The Commissioners and I are committed to ensuring this organization has a workplace where the values of diversity, inclusion, and equity permeate through our internal culture and practices—a place where people are respected as individuals, their ideas and perspectives are heard, and

their work at the CPUC and contributions to California are valued. We know that real, lasting change will take time, and that it is an ongoing endeavor, but I am excited for these overdue and important initiating activities.

All of us work at the CPUC because we want to be public servants. We want to make our world a better place for current and future generations. I believe our response to these challenging times must be infused with understanding and compassion. That we understand the hundreds of years of systemic oppression suffered by generations of Black people that has led to this moment. And that we have a golden opportunity to do the work needed to make our organization—as well as our state and nation—a place that is fair, open, and equitable for everyone. ■



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CPUC Employees Step Up Fundraising Efforts to Benefit Food From the Bar

Do you know the name of the actress who starred in the 1994 Aerosmith video “Crazy” and spent her formative years in the Bay Area city of Hillsborough?

How about identifying the former San Francisco mayor who was convinced to take a shower on-air with radio shock-jock hosts in a bid to win votes for his re-election?

Can you identify the three U.S. senators who recently introduced a resolution to abolish qualified immunity for law enforcement?

Tough trivia questions, right? They are exactly the type of stumpers Commissioner Liane M. Randolph and her staff answered so well that they won a highly competitive face-off in this year’s annual fundraiser for the San Francisco-Marín Food Bank known as “Food From the Bar.”

The prize for such trivia mastery? A \$3,500 contribution in the CPUC’s name to the Food Bank, which has been feeding hungry families in the Bay Area for 29 years.

Food From the Bar was launched by San Francisco law firms to help provide food for Bay Area children in the summer, when children aren’t participating in school lunch meal programs. Over the years, the campaign has provided enough food for more than 20 million meals, with the CPUC an enthusiastic participant for two decades.

“The CPUC has been involved for quite a long time because we have such a big legal part of our operation,” explained Michelle Cooke, the CPUC’s Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge who has helped lead many past efforts. “Our participation has been spearheaded by the Administrative Law Judge and Legal Divisions, but it’s always been something everyone has gotten behind because it’s such an important issue in the Bay Area.”

This year’s fundraising ended in June, and the CPUC, led by Commissioner Randolph’s office’s trivia win, really distinguished itself.

On the Food Bank’s website, the CPUC made this year’s list of Top Team’s for fundraising at \$15,901.01, surpassing the fundraising goal of \$10,000 that leaders of the effort set when the event began. The final tally was more than participants raised at Pacific Gas and Electric Company (\$14,122.05) and several large Bay Area law firms that appear before the CPUC on regulatory issues.

When the fundraising was complete and this year’s event over, Administrative Law Judge Ehren Seybert sent an email to colleagues acknowledging the good work, saying, “Since the SF-Marín Food Bank distributes two healthy meals with every dollar raised, CPUC contributions provided 31,802 healthy meals to feed members of our community, at a time when economic and food security hardships have been exacerbated by COVID-19. Over the past few months, the Food Bank experienced an almost 50 percent increase in the number of households receiving weekly groceries; this level of support would not have been possible without the generous donations that we witnessed during the 2020 campaign.”

The amount raised is even more impressive since the traditional fundraising event, a bake sale in the CPUC’s courtyard in San Francisco, wasn’t feasible this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. In past years, staff in different Divisions brought in baked goods and competed to see who could raise the most cash. But with so many people working remotely because of the coronavirus, erstwhile funders had to come up with a Plan B.

Not to worry. Gourmet CPUC cooks Manisha Lakhanpal and Seaneen Wilson in the Administrative Law Judge and Legal Divisions put on Zoom cooking demonstrations instead. About 40 people throughout the CPUC contributed at least \$20 to participate as their donation for 2020.



The invitation to the May 12 event reveals some of the creativity that went into it.

“Does sheltering in place have you in a recipe rut? Want an opportunity to meet some new folks? Get together virtually in this cooking class with your CPUC colleagues and learn two new recipes to benefit the CPUC’s Food From the Bar fundraising effort! For a dinner entree, Manisha will walk us through a demo of cooking Keema Curry. We will cook it both vegan (Cauliflower rice) and non-veg style (Chicken/ Turkey/ Lamb mince). Then, for a sweet and simple dessert, follow along to learn how to make ‘Mama McCarthy’s Famous Brownies’ with Sean. Yum!”

For the trivia contest won by Commissioner Randolph’s office, participants paid \$25 to enter and were encouraged to contribute more as the contest went on.

Questions covered local San Francisco landmarks, current events and literature, and pop culture, and Commissioner Randolph and her staff rose to the occasion.

“We all like to raise money for the joy of doing good and helping people in need,” the Commissioner said, “but I have to admit that a little cutthroat competition makes it fun.” ■

GET TO KNOW US:

Meet Charles Mason, Jr.

It had been a hard few months for Charles Mason, Jr., a Local Government and Community Liaison at the CPUC, when we reached out to him to conduct an interview for our monthly employee profile.

“COVID presented its own survival challenges early on – how to work from home, keep two kids in schooling, and navigate the normal travails of parenting a teenage son,” Charles recalled. Then came the relentless news cycle of events surrounding the murder of George Floyd and others.

“Short of being shot to death, everything we are hearing about now has happened to me,” Charles explained, “and it is still happening today.”

Charles recalled a recent bicycle ride, describing the beautiful June morning, a chance encounter and wonderful conversation, an altogether delightful day until he came to an isolated area where a young man stepped out of the bushes, curled his fingers in the shape of a gun pointed at his head and yelled a malicious racial epithet that we will not repeat here because of its egregiousness.

When asked what he did in response, Charles looked surprised. “What I always do,” he shrugged. “You don’t know who else might be with him so you look for a way to get away. It takes a lot of discipline to keep focus through that.” The anxiety he feels for his young children was palpable, even as he spoke across a digital screen connection.

He credits his decades-old practice of yoga, mindfulness, and meditation with keeping him centered and able to channel his anger and pain.

“I’m a solutions person,” he explained. “I’m always looking for how to solve a problem.”

A quick glance at his resume suggests that has been a lifelong attribute, and one that he brings to his work at the CPUC and beyond.

Holding a Master of Public Policy and Administration degree, Charles has served on boards of directors and in executive positions of several non-profits dealing with public health, environmental justice, transportation, seniors, food systems, and social equity.

Working on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. for a Senator and Congressman and serving as campaign manager for a congressional candidate, he developed skills that proved invaluable in voter projects (such as with the NAACP), in legislative affairs (with state and federal offices of the AARP, The Ferguson Group, and the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund), and in policy development and implementation (Surface Transportation Policy Project and Urban Habitat). As Managing Partner for the Equity Consulting Collaborative, a national organization focused on helping educational and youth development organizations, he



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served as Executive Director for City Youth Now, focused on foster and juvenile justice youth.

He combined all those skills as founder and CEO of Ubuntu Green, described as the leading environmental justice, public health, economic development, and community engagement non-profit in the Sacramento region. Partnering with communities, non-profits, and government agencies, Charles developed the Community Advocacy and Engagement Institute, leading land use policies through a race equity lens. He founded the Sacramento Environmental Justice Working Group and a training series on Structural Racialization through Land Use.

He has also served on the Boards of Breathe California, TRANSFORM, ALS Sacramento Chapter, Mandela Gardens, and the UC Davis Center for Regional Change.

Charles joined the state as legislative analyst with CalPERS in 2017, where he was also a leader on the CalPERS Diversity and Inclusion Group.

He came to the CPUC a year later as Local Government and Community Liaison for the Sacramento metropolitan area and Central Valley. In that role, he develops targeted relationships with local governments and community based organizations, collaborating with environmental and social justice communities.

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He represents the CPUC at numerous gatherings and prepares analyses and reports on outreach activities and policies.

In his spare time, Charles provides implicit bias training, including at his own yoga studio.

“Having been target number one my whole life,” he explained, “I can take what I have experienced to help others. I don’t sugar-coat it. We have real conversations.”

He especially focuses on how society is structured to perpetuate patterns that reinforce barriers. He points to mentoring programs in which he spent nearly three decades “looking up” for an African-American male to help mentor, introduce him around, and amplify his successes. In most work places these individuals have not existed, he lamented. He trains people to notice that, just as women and people of color were legally barred for years from many networking venues that help foster career advancement, African Americans are still often excluded socially to the same effect.

One social justice technique is a variation on a corporate mantra. Using the principle of “targeted universalism” that moves all groups toward a universal policy goal, he works to create an inclusive and bridging marketing communication that allows for

the most vulnerable and discriminated against in society to get the resources and positive interventions needed.

“An example might be police brutality,” he noted. That is a case where people agree that no one should be subject to police brutality and they work toward policies that protect everyone. While it is understood that African American men would likely benefit most from such a policy, others would benefit as well, which creates motivation and a path toward a common goal.

Today at the CPUC, he is working to increase community engagement through improved meeting facilitation, gathering greater input from stakeholders and improving the overall outreach and engagement experience for those interacting with the organization. He is on the working group to improve brochures, fact sheets, and outward-facing marketing materials.

Charles has also remained on the Board of Mandela Partners in Oakland, working with small farmers, and increasing community capital.

“Lack of food security and safety nets are amplified during COVID,” he noted. “That’s part of my giving back to the community.” ■

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Minimum level of service and coverage includes 9-1-1 service, 2-1-1 service, ability to receive emergency alerts and warnings, and to access evacuation and de-energization websites. Wireless providers would submit these plans within six months.

The CPUC plans to consider resiliency requirements for wireline providers, also known as landline service, in a forthcoming proposal.

The [proposal voted on](#) is available on the CPUC’s website.

The third Decision that was approved deals with affordability of utility services more broadly than in the past. Based on the real circumstances facing California households, the Decision defines affordability as the degree to which a household is able to pay for essential utility services, given its socioeconomic status. The Decision creates three metrics that, when taken together, will give the CPUC a greater and more detailed understanding

of how well Californians are faring when it comes to paying for their utility services:

- **Socioeconomic Vulnerability Index:** A vulnerability index of various communities in California designed to highlight potential inequities and disadvantageous socioeconomic conditions of specific communities in a utility’s service territory in an easily understood form like a map.
- **Affordability Ratio:** The ratio of essential utility service charges to disposable household income after housing costs have been paid.
- **Hours at Minimum Wage (HM):** The hours at minimum wage required to pay for essential utility services, which enables converting the cost of essential utility services into a relatable figure such as hours of work. HM also demonstrates how other policies and financial variables, such as minimum wage rates, can impact the affordability of utility bills on lower-income customers.

In addition to using the new metrics in current and future proceedings, the CPUC will publish an annual Affordability Report, which will provide trends on the affordability of utility services in California. Regulated utilities under CPUC jurisdiction are ordered to contribute data and information for CPUC staff to produce the report.

“As income inequality in the state continues to rise, too many California families have to make tough choices between paying for utilities and other necessities,” said Commissioner Clifford Rechtschaffen, who is assigned to the proceeding. “This Decision will allow us to evaluate the costs faced by consumers for all of their essential utility services—not just individual ones in isolation—because that is the real world circumstance they face.”

The [proposal voted on](#) is also available on the CPUC’s website. ■

THE DOCKET:

Proceedings Filed at the CPUC late May – early July 2020

PROCEEDING NUMBER | FILED DATE | FILER

A2005014 | 29-MAY-2020 | PACIFICORP

In the Matter of the Application of PacifiCorp (U901E) for Approval of the California Alternate Rates for Energy and Energy Savings Assistance Programs and Budgets for Program Years 2021-2026.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339545096>

A2005015 | 29-MAY-2020 | BEAR VALLEY ELECTRIC SERVICE

In the Matter of the Application of Golden State Water Company on Behalf of its Bear Valley Electric Service Division (U913E) for Approval of the 2021-2026 California Alternate Rates for Energy and Energy Savings Assistance Programs and Budgets.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339545207>

A2005016 | 29-MAY-2020 | LIBERTY UTILITIES (CALPECO ELECTRIC) LLC

Application of Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U933E) for Approval of Low-Income Assistance Programs and Budgets for Program Years 2021-2026.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339545208>

A2005017 | 29-MAY-2020 | SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Application of Southwest Gas Corporation (U905G) for Approval of Energy Savings Assistance and California Alternate Rates for Energy Programs and Budgets for Program Years 2021-2026.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339545097>

A2006001 | 01-JUNE-2020 | SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902E) for Approval of: (i) Contract Administration, Least-Cost Dispatch and Power Procurement Activities in 2019, (ii) Costs Related to those Activities Recorded to the Energy Resource Recovery Account, Portfolio Allocation Balancing Account, Transition Cost Balancing Account, and Local Generating Balancing Account in 2019, and (iii) Costs Recorded in Related Regulatory Accounts in 2019.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339544436>

K2006003 | 01-JUNE-2020 | DAVID GORGOYAN

Appeal of David Gorgoyan, doing business as Celebrity Rides, [PSG-5146, TCP 35518-B] from Citation F-5663, issued by the Transportation Enforcement Branch, South Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division on May 7, 2020.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339545264>

R1407002, A1607015 | 02-JUNE-20 | ALJ/DOHERTY/ KAO/CPUC

Proposed Decision implementing automatic enrollment of Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=338728632>

A1512007 | 02-JUNE-20 | ALJ/POIRIER/CPUC

Proposed Decision dismissing Application of Southern California Edison

Company seeking a permit to construct electrical facilities that include the Circle City Substation and Mira Loma-Jefferson Subtransmission Line and closing proceeding.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=338728752>

R1602007 | 03-JUNE-20 | ALJ/FITCH/CPUC

Proposed Decision Denying California Energy Storage Alliance Petition for Modification of Decision 19-11-016.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=338729087>

R1807006 | 04-JUNE-20 | CMMR/RECHTSCHAFFEN/CPUC

Proposed Decision Adopting Metrics and Methodologies for Assessing the Relative Affordability of Utility Service.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339310911>

A2006002 | 04-JUNE-2020 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY

Application of Southern California Edison Company, (U338E), a corporation, to incur short-term obligations payable at periods of not more than twelve months after the date of issuance to an aggregate amount not to exceed \$7.5 billion.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339545211>

A1701024 | 25-JAN.-2017 (REOPENED WEEK OF JUNE 1, 2020) | WILD GOOSE STORAGE, LLC

Motion for leave to maintain confidentiality Joint Application of Wild Goose Storage, LLC (U911G) and Lodi Gas Storage, L.L.C. (U912G) for an Order Pursuant to Sections 829 and 853 of the Public Utilities Code to Exempt from Commission Authorization the Encumbrance of the Assets of Wild Goose Storage, LLC and Lodi Gas Storage, L.L.C. and the Issuance of a Corporate Guarantee to Secure the Financing of certain Affiliates of the Utilities or in the Alternative for Authorization for the Same Relief under Sections 830 and 851.

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A1507012 | 07-JULY-2015 (REOPENED WEEK OF JUNE 1, 2020) | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Motion for leave to maintain confidentiality Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39E) for Commission Approval Under Public Utilities Code Section 851 of an Irrevocable License for use of Utility Support Structures and Equipment Sites to ExteNet Systems (California) LLC.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339421234>

R1803011 | 11-JUNE-20 | CMMR/BATJER/CPUC

Proposed Decision Adopting Wireless Provider Resiliency Strategies
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339544853>

I1906015 | 27-JUNE-2019 (REOPENED WEEK OF JUNE 8, 2020) | CPUC

Rehearing of Decision 20-05-019. Order Instituting Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion into the Maintenance, Operations and Practices of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39E) with Respect to its Electric Facilities; and Order to Show Cause Why the Commission Should not Impose Penalties and/or Other Remedies for the Role PG&E's Electrical Facilities had in Igniting Fires in its Service Territory in 2017.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339545250>

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339545413>

A1406012 A1406013 | 12-JUNE-20 | ALJ/BEMESDERFER/CPUC

Decision Granting Intervenor Compensation to the Center for Accessible Technology for Substantial Contribution to Decision 15-07-037.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339545423>

R2002008 | 12-JUNE-20 | CMMR/SHIROMA/CPUC

Proposed Decision addressing pilot proposals of The Greenlining Institute, Central City SRO Collaborative and TruConnect Communications, Inc.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339544534>

R1407002 A1607015 | 12-JUNE-20 | CMMR/GUZMAN ACEVES/CPUC

Proposed Decision Adopting Standardized Inputs and Assumptions for Calculating Estimated Electric Utility Bill Savings from Residential Photovoltaic Solar Energy Systems.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=339544643>

A1901014 | 12-JUNE-20 | ALJ/KLINE/CPUC

Proposed Decision Regarding Request for Relief from Surcharges and User Fees, Interest and Penalties and for Directory Listings Service.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=340234720>

R1907017 | 12-JUNE-20 | ALJ/DOHERT/CPUC

Proposed Decision approving servicing orders between the California Department of Water Resources and the large electrical corporations.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=340234721>

R1211005 | 15-JUNE-20 | CMMR/RECHTSCHAFFEN/CPUC

Proposed Decision Addressing Petition for Modification of Decision (D) 19-09-027 and D.20-01-021 filed by the California Solar and Storage Association on April 1, 2020.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=340237692>

A1904022 | 15-JUNE-20 | ALJ/AYOADE-GLEGOLA/CPUC

Decision Granting Southwest Gas Corporation Authority to Implement its Customer Data Modernization Initiative and Approving the Proposed Settlement.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=340222832>

A2006004 | 29-MAY-2020 | ALPINE NATURAL GAS COMPANY NO.1, LLC

Application of Alpine Natural Gas Company No.1, LLC (U909G) for Approval of its Energy Savings Assistance and California Alternate Rates for Energy Programs and Budgets for Program Years 2021-2026.

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A2006005 | 15-JUNE-2020 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY

In the Matter of the Application of Southern California Gas Company (U904G) Regarding Year 26 (2019-2020) of Its Gas Cost Incentive Mechanism.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=340159325>

K2006007 | 16-JUNE-2020 | KAYSHA ROSS

Appeal of Kaysha Ross and Capitol Helicopters, Inc. from the Denial of their Application for Women Business Enterprise (WBE) Certification under General Order 156 by The Suppliers Clearinghouse (Verification Order Number 19000874) on (i) February 25, 2020, and on (ii) May 29, 2020 after an Internal Appeal.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=340757368>

C2006006 | 18-JUNE-2020 | TERENCE BRENNAN

Terrence Brennan, Complainant vs. Frontier Communications of America, Inc. d/b/a Frontier Communications (U1548C), Defendant. [For overbilling the customer].

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=340740033>

A1912003 | 22-JUNE-20 | ALJ/FOGEL/CPUC

Proposed Decision Dismissing Application for Authority to Establish California Consumer Privacy Act Memorandum Accounts.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=340868998>

K2006008 | 24-JUNE-2020 | HAMIDULLAH HAMIDI

Appeal of Hamidullah Hamidi, doing business as All Access Limo Service [PSG-4846, TCP 31413B] from Citation F-5660 issued on May 27, 2020 by the California Public Utilities Commission, Transportation Enforcement Section - South, Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=340757408>

A2006009 | 29-JUNE-2020 | CRIMSON CA PIPELINE, L.P.

In the Matter of the Application of Crimson California Pipeline L.P. (PLC-26) for Authority to Increase Rates for Its Crude Oil Pipeline Services.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=341380462>

R1706026 | 30-JUNE-20 | ALJ/ATAMTURK/CPUC

Decision Adopting a Framework and Evaluation Criteria for the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment Prepayment Agreements. Opening comments are due July 20, 2020. Reply comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing comments.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=341370451>

C1905004 | 30-JUNE-20 | ALJ/KELLY/CPUC

Proposed Decision Denying the Complaint of Leisure Lake Homeowners' Association. Opening Comments are due on July 20, 2020. Reply Comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing Opening Comments.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=341380437>

C1709023 | 30-JUNE-20 | ALJ/KLINE/CPUC

This decision finds Vaya Telecom, Incorporated (Vaya) owes \$3,364,692 in reparations to Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California (AT&T California) for switched access charges avoided from April 2015 to August 2019. Any party to this adjudicatory proceeding may file and serve an Appeal of the Presiding Officer's Decision within 30 days of the date of issuance (i.e., the date of mailing) of this decision.

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A2006010 | 30-JUNE-2020 | CRIMSON CALIFORNIA PIPELINE, L.P.

In the Matter of the Application of Crimson California Pipeline L.P. (PLC-26) for Authority to Increase Rates for Its Crude Oil Pipeline Services (SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA).

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=342207781>

A2006011 | 30-JUNE-2020 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Approval of Regionalization Proposal. (U39M)

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=342165357>

A2006012 | 30-JUNE-2020 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39M) to Submit Its 2020 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase Report.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=341517004>

A2006013 | 30-JUNE-2020 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39M) for Commission Approval Under Public Utilities Code Section 851 to Sell Certain Surplus Real Property. (U39M)

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A2007002 | 01-JULY-2020 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Adoption of Electric Revenue Requirements and Rates Associated with its 2021 Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) and Generation Non-Bypassable Charges Forecast and Greenhouse Gas Forecast Revenue Return and Reconciliation. (U39E)

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A2007003 | 01-JULY-2020 | SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902E) for Recovery of Undercollection Recorded in the Tree Trimming Balancing Account.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=342080808>

A2007004 | 01-JULY-2020 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) For Approval of Its Forecast 2021 ERRA Proceeding Revenue Requirement.

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A2007001 | 02-JULY-2020 | SUNRUN INC.

Application for rehearing of Resolution E-5054

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=342080800>

R1706024 | 3-JULY-20 | CMMR/GUZMAN ACEVES/CPUC

This decision resolves Phase I in this proceeding. Opening Comments, are due on July 23, 2020. Reply Comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing Opening Comments.

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A1812001 | 3-JULY-20 | ALJ/LAKHANPAL/CPUC

Proposed Decision on the Test Year 2019 General Rate Case for Liberty Utilities (Calpeco Electric) LLC. Opening Comments are due on July 23, 2020. Reply Comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing Opening Comments.

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A1901001 | 3-JULY-20 | ALJ/FORTUNE/CPUC

Proposed Decision Approving Settlement and Authorizing Revenue Requirements for the San Gabriel Valley Water Company. Opening Comments are due on July 23, 2020. Reply Comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing Opening Comments.

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R1210012 | 3-JULY-20 | CMMR/GUZMAN ACEVES/CPUC

Proposed Decision Revising Rules of the California Advanced Services Fund and Closing Rulemaking 12-10-012. Opening Comments are due July 23, 2020. Reply Comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing Opening Comments.

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