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## Taking Steps To Ensure Electric Grid Reliability in Extreme Weather

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has opened a new [Rulemaking](#) to ensure a reliable electric grid if next summer brings an extreme weather event similar to the one causing outages last August.

Opened with a unanimous CPUC Commissioner vote on Nov. 19, 2020, the new Rulemaking will address how to increase energy supply and decrease demand during peak hours if a heat storm occurs in the summer of 2021 so the state does not experience rolling outages.

Through this proceeding, the CPUC will implement temporary changes to existing processes, programs, and rules for conserving energy when demand is extreme and other initiatives, focusing on near-term actions that can be adopted by April 2021 and that the utilities can implement before next summer.

“This (proceeding) is a step towards identifying, near-term actions that the Commission could implement to prepare for an extended heat storm,” Commissioner Liane M. Randolph said. “While we recognize that getting new supply-side resources online before next summer will be extremely difficult, the Commission is committed to exploring and pursuing all available options to ensure reliability.”

She added that the proceeding “is just one piece of the ongoing work we are doing in tandem with the California Energy Com-



mission and the California Independent System Operator to ensure reliability both next year and in the future.”

The proceeding will consider multiple options, including, but not limited to:

- Evaluating mechanisms for encouraging load shifting;
- Modernizing the California Independent System Operator’s (CAISO) Flex Alert program that calls for energy conservation;

- Engaging various customer groups in reducing demand, such as new event-based demand response programs or revising existing supply-side reliability demand response programs; and,
- Directing each investor-owned utility to develop new supply-side resources that can be brought online in 2021 and to bring additional capacity online by procuring incremental capacity from the

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# CPUC Adopts New Enforcement Policy for Regulated Utilities

To continue promoting public safety and maximum compliance by regulated utilities with CPUC rules and state law, the CPUC adopted a new [enforcement policy](#) at its Nov. 5, 2020 Voting Meeting.

The new Enforcement Policy is the latest effort in the CPUC's long-standing history of enforcing statutes, rules, orders, and other regulations applicable to regulated entities for the betterment of Californians. In developing the policy, CPUC staff presented it to the CPUC's [Policy and Governance Committee](#) for input from the public and Commissioners on two occasions.

"It builds on past work in which we have asked ourselves some hard questions about whether our enforcement is acting as a meaningful deterrent to these utilities we regulate," Acting Executive Director Rachel Peterson said during the meeting as the policy was being discussed.

The new policy strengthens the CPUC's existing enforcement tools and processes with the goal of better serving Californians through transparent and robust enforcement of rules and regulations over the entities the CPUC regulates. The new Enforcement Policy also provides guidance on achieving a consistent approach to enforcement, enforcement actions, settlements, and setting penalties.

"Ultimately, our aim for the public is to use the policy to promote the highest level of compliance by all regulated entities and thereby serve and protect Californians," Acting Executive Director Peterson added.

The changes were approved after extensive staff work and participation from regulated utilities, stakeholders, and the California Attorney General's office.

"We wanted, at the end of the day, to adopt a formal policy that pulls these practices together and that provides clear guidance, uniformity and transparency from these efforts," explained Commissioner Clifford Rechtschaffen.

Specifically, the new enforcement policy:

- Establishes nine guiding enforcement principles: ensuring compliance, consistent enforcement, meaningful deterrence, timely enforcement, progressive enforcement, transparency, environmental justice and disadvantaged communities, adaptive management, and enforcement prioritization;
- Standardizes existing enforcement tools, documents, and procedures to the extent appropriate; and,
- Creates two flexible administrative enforcement tools for staff to utilize, an Administrative Consent Order and an Administrative Enforcement Order, subject to CPUC for approval, denial, or modification.

Commissioner Liane M. Randolph said the new policy still leaves room in the process for CPUC discretion, depending on the facts in a particular case.

"It's important to note this really sets forth a framework and provides some direction (and) consistency, but at the end of the day every enforcement action is going to have different facts and a different tactical approach from the Commission."

"The Enforcement Policy will guide and lead our efforts in ensuring compliance and timely enforcement, while prioritizing environmental justice and disadvantaged communities," said Commissioner Martha Guzman Aceves.

The goal of the new policy is to help ensure that regulated entities provide services and facilities to the public in a manner that is safe, reliable, non-discriminatory, just, and reasonable. ■

# New Collaboration on Workforce Development Geared Toward Clean Energy and Transportation

The CPUC is collaborating with the California Workforce Development Board (CWDB) to ensure investments in clean energy and transportation sustainability result in high-quality jobs and greater access to career opportunities for disadvantaged Californians.

Governor Gavin Newsom's Executive Order [EO N-79-20](#) calls for 100 percent of in-state sales of new passenger cars and trucks to be zero-emission by 2035 and the sale of all medium and heavy duty vehicles to be zero emission by 2045.

The CPUC and CWDB signed their first-ever [Memorandum of Understanding](#) (MOU) to team up on workforce development opportunities in the key energy and transportation policy areas of energy efficiency, renewable energy, building decarbonization, vegetation management, and transportation electrification.

"The billions of dollars of utility ratepayer funds invested annually in energy and transportation represent a major opportunity to deliver on the Governor's 'California For All' promise of shared prosperity," CPUC Commissioner Clifford Rechtschaffen said when the agreement was signed. "This MOU provides a framework for doing exactly that."

The new collaborative effort with CWDB—established in 1998, the agency is responsible for "the oversight and continuous improvement of the workforce system in California"—further a key goal of the CPUC's [Environmental and Social Justice Action Plan](#) (ESJ Action Plan) designed to serve as a roadmap to expand public inclusion in CPUC decision-making and improve services to targeted communities across California. That plan was adopted by the CPUC in February 2019 after extensive public consultation and stakeholder engagement.

Under the MOU signed by the CPUC and CWDB, the two organizations have agreed to work together to ensure that California has the workforce and training partnerships necessary to meet clean energy and



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transportation sustainability goals. They will also build pathways to the middle class and beyond for Californians who have been historically excluded from economic opportunity or shouldered a disproportionate share of environmental and public health impacts.

CWDB has agreed, consistent with its ["Putting California on the High Road: A Jobs and Action Plan for 2030"](#) published in June, to "help guide CPUC policy, planning, and program development in ways that support good jobs and expand access to those jobs via high-quality education and training."

"The same way California leads the nation in creating demand for zero-emission vehicles and renewable electricity, we need strong policy and investment signals to ensure quality job creation in our transition to a carbon-neutral economy," CWDB Executive Director Tim Rainey said when

the MOU was signed. "Workers want real opportunity to provide for their families. This MOU is another step towards aligning quality training efforts with good jobs to ensure shared prosperity, climate resilience and equity for workers, families, and communities that have been excluded for decades. We can't achieve equity without job quality."

CPUC President Marybel Batjer also underscored the importance of this MOU, saying, "I am extremely pleased to be executing this MOU between our agencies. As we accelerate our efforts to address climate change, we also have the opportunity to create an equitable and inclusive economic future. Both of our agencies are committed to ensuring that investments in clean energy programs result in high-road, high-quality jobs."

Specifically, the MOU calls for the two organizations to:

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# CCORE Tackles Racial Inequalities

By Jiai “Amy” Xu, Associate Management Auditor, CPUC Utility Audits, Risk and Compliance

During the summer of 2020, 12 CPUC staff members began a year-long journey into addressing racial equity at the CPUC. While the country was grappling with COVID-19, racial unrest, and a contentious election cycle, the CPUC Capitol Collaborative on Race Equity (CCORE) Learning Cohort was dealing with how racial inequalities impact the work of the CPUC.

These efforts had been planned for some time but seemed even more relevant and urgent after the murder of George Floyd at the hands of a Minneapolis police officer, and so many other racially motivated killings.

“The ultimate goal is for the CPUC to consider and include racial equity principles in its creation, delivery, and evaluation of programs, policies, and hiring,” said Cris Rojas, CPUC Human Resources Director and one of the team’s executive sponsors.

The CCORE Learning Cohort collaborates with the Government Alliance on Race and Equity, the Public Health Institute, the California Strategic Growth Council, and the California Department of Public Health, along with other partner agencies to promote racial equity in the workplace. This includes the CCORE Learning Cohort, also known as the CPUC Equity Alliance. Along with other participating departments, the CCORE Learning Cohort is working towards the following:

- Becoming fluent in race and equity best practices for government organizations;
- Identifying internal challenges to achieve racial diversity and develop strategies to achieve racially diverse employees at all levels; and,
- Developing a Racial Equity Action Plan and framework to improve CPUC diversity and serve as a guiding document to help shape how we engage in race and equity conversations at the CPUC.



One of CPUC’s values is to engage in responsible stewardship through “contributions from diverse backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives.” In collaboration with the Environmental and Social Justice Working Group and the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Working Group, CCORE Learning Cohort’s efforts serve as another step towards developing a sustainable workplace culture to encourage future policies reflecting California’s diverse needs.

“Being involved in this effort is an essential part of the CPUC firmly committing to the movement for racial equity,” said Shannon O’Rourke, Chief of Staff to CPUC President Marybel Batjer and the other executive co-sponsor.

Along this journey, the CCORE team is having many difficult conversations and creating awareness around the impact of institutional and structural racism. This included an examination of racial equity in the state of California, including refusal to ratify the 14th and 15th Amendments, the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882, and discriminatory treatment of Chinese, Filipino, Mexican, and African-American railroad workers, and the systematic theft of native American ancestral lands.

The CCORE Learning Cohort is comprised of 12 team members, two team coordinators, and two executive sponsors. In August, the CCORE Learning Cohort had its first training session and so far, the group accomplished the following:

- Attended seven training sessions with other participating departments to discuss advancing racial equity in the workplace, and effective communication about race;
- Utilized a results-based accountability approach to assess root causes of racial inequities at the CPUC;
- Collected feedback on where the CPUC stands in the racial equity assessment continuum based on individual experiences; and,
- Developed a racial equity timeline detailing historical policies and regulations that impacted racial equity in California.

“It feels empowering to be part of this team and work with an agency that is committed to addressing inequalities in our agency and the communities we serve,” CCORE member, Charles Mason of the CPUC’s News and Outreach Office, said. “Many team members are thankful for the long overdue opportunity to better understand how racial inequities impact their daily lives, workplace, and communities.”

In the coming year, the CCORE Learning Cohort will begin developing the Racial Equity Action Plan and take steps to incorporate community engagement through addressing strategies and tools to support a racially equitable community partnership. Finally, the CCORE Learning Cohort will collectively identify next steps to implement the Action Plan, including future training.

“I look forward to seeing the final product we produce and to start the implementation of these action items across our agency,” said CCORE member, Antoinette Siguenza. ■

# GET TO KNOW US:

## Meet Mahdi Jahami

Spend even a few minutes talking with Mahdi Jahami, an engineer in the CPUC's Wildfire Safety Division, and it is hard not to come away immediately impressed.

He is smart, down to earth, and intellectually and scientifically curious—filled with gratitude for the work ethic and value for education instilled in him by his parents. And he is proud to be doing such important work for his adopted home of California.

"I know it's a big responsibility," he says of his job reviewing wildfire mitigation plans submitted to the CPUC by regulated electric utilities in Northern California. Among other things, he audits their plans and progress reports, and he conducts field inspections every month, all designed to make sure the utilities do what is required—and what they say they are doing—to mitigate the risk of utility equipment sparking a catastrophic wildfire.

"People's homes and lives are at stake," he says. "Getting paid to serve my state and community and help make it safer is a noble pursuit."

Pursuing a graduate degree at Sacramento State University in mechanical engineering, with a specialty in energy production and renewables, Mahdi, or Aiden, as friends and family call him, understands the weight resting on his shoulders. But as anyone who knows him realizes, he is up to the task.

Born in Lebanon, Mahdi and his family emigrated to California when he was 14. His father was unemployed, his mother a substitute teacher. They sacrificed so Mahdi and his two sisters and brother could get the best education possible, with the best job prospects to earn a living and make a difference in the world.

"For me, growing up in Lebanon is a lot of good memories, but my childhood was definitely affected by war. It wasn't awful. Lebanon is not uninhabitable, per se. But if you want to do something great, Lebanon isn't the place to do it. Unless your dad is a politician or someone in power. Here, your

education speaks volumes. It's less about your dad and more about who you are and what you bring to the table."

In September, Mahdi, who earned his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Sacramento State in 2018, showed some of what he brings to the table when he won the 2020 Trustees Award for Outstanding Achievement. The award is the CSU system's top student honor, and Sacramento State President Robert S. Nelsen praised Mahdi at a virtual CSU Board of Trustees meeting that honored a top student from each of the system's 23 campuses.

"Through his perseverance and dedication," Nelsen said, "Aiden has not only been an exceptional student, but has given back to his community and now wants to take what he has learned and use it to make the world a better place. He is an embodiment of Sacramento State's values, and I cannot think of a better recipient for the CSU's highest student honor."

Mahdi's original goal was to attend medical school, but he did not like his pre-med and chemistry classes. When he went to consider his options with an academic advisor, she suggested engineering. He loved math and physics and his advisor said it was possible to negotiate the course load and availability and finish in four years. That was important to Mahdi because he was supporting his parents and would have student loans to pay back.

"I always took a full load of classes and went in summer," he explains. "Between work and school, I never got a vacation. But I guess it's paid off. When I told my advisor I was finishing in four years, she high-fived me and said she knew I'd do it. I think she saw something in me and knew I would get it done."



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His academic epiphany came his senior year when his professor in a class on energy systems offered him a chance to work on a senior project.

"We designed and built a solar-powered vehicle from scratch," Mahdi recalls. "It opened my eyes to the importance of using renewable energy. It made me want to find solutions to the climate change problem. That's why I'm in grad school now, because renewable energy is the future."

After working at Caltrans for about two years as a transportation engineer, Mahdi says working in the newly created Wildfire Safety Division has been a dream come true.

"There's a lot to learn. It's a new Division, but I look at myself as a sponge and just try to soak up all the knowledge I can. And my opinion is being heard. There is a chance to make changes in protocols and methods that might be beneficial to how things are done. That's exciting."

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existing resources, implementing efficiency upgrades to existing generators, and retrofitting existing generators.

In early October, the California Energy Commission, CAISO, and the CPUC issued a preliminary [report](#) on the causes of the August rotating outages, which outlined short-term and longer-term actions to mitigate electricity shortages and ensure delivery of clean, reliable, and affordable energy

“Ensuring electricity reliability while achieving our clean energy goals is one of the CPUC’s most profound responsibilities,” said Commissioner Martha Guzman Aceves. “I hope that stakeholders representing all Californians—especially those most vulnerable when the power goes out—will weigh in during this proceeding.”

And CPUC President Marybel Batjer said this proceeding, like several others the CPUC has worked on over the past several years, will be expedited because of its urgency. “Californians deserve clean and reliable energy,” she said, “and it will be our top priority to ensure that we bring to bear all of the supply and demand side resources possible before next summer to maintain that reliability.” ■

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- Establish regular intervals for information sharing on both the management and staff levels, including a process for regular information flow and opportunities for joint planning and goal setting;
- Develop a near and long-term framework for high-road economic and workforce policy and practice to meet the goals of the state including but not limited to those outlined in CPUC’s ESJ Action Plan and CDWB’s 2020-2023 State Workforce Plan;
- Identify programs to examine the scope of CPUC workforce development efforts. Possible program areas include energy efficiency, building electrification, renewable energy, transportation electrification, and vegetation management programs;
- Establish or advance a set of principles and practices that can guide any CPUC-regulated program in updating or developing California’s economy and workforce in a way that delivers measurable benefits for ESJ communities. These principles and practices should directly aid disadvantaged Californians by building clean energy and clean transportation career pipelines, while taking into consideration ratepayer impacts; and,
- Establish targets and analyze metrics to assess economic and workforce development related activities within CPUC programs and ESJ communities. ■

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As might be expected of someone as focused as Mahdi, he has goals for the future. He would like to keep going to school and earn his doctoral degree and maybe teach or do scientific research someday.

“I feel academically inclined and would love to have an impact on a younger generation of students like my professors had on me,” he says.

In the meantime, he’s soaking up all the knowledge he can, juggling a busy life between full-time work, graduate-level classes, and the responsibility he feels toward caring for and supporting his parents. More than anything, he’s eternally grateful to them for uprooting their lives so he and his siblings could benefit from all California has to offer and he is determined to make them proud.

“I am very grateful to have come to California in the first place,” he says. “It’s one of the most diverse states in the country and I am all about diversity and inclusion and equality. And it’s also one of the most progressive states on climate change. Any issue that’s going on in the world, California is always on it and trying to find a solution for it. To me, that’s great. I appreciate it and am very proud to be a Californian and see that my work is making a difference.” ■



# Happy Holidays!

## Our newsletter will return in January 2021.

# THE DOCKET:

## Proceedings Filed at the CPUC October – November 2020

PROCEEDING NUMBER | FILED DATE | FILER

### 23-SEPT.-2020 | DESERTEPRESS ENTERPRISES, LLC

Application of DesertXpress Enterprises, LLC dba XpressWest to construct proposed high-speed tracks under the following public road crossings: Rte.58/15 Sep. (MP 143.07), Fort Irwin Rd. (MP140.35), East Baker Rd. (MP 81.48), Bailey Rd. (MP 48.63) and Nipton Rd. (MP 43.65).

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=347810945>

### A2009013 | 28-SEPT.-2020 | TAG MOBILE, LLC

In the Matter of the Joint Application of TAG Mobile, LLC (U-4411-C), TAG Mobile Bankruptcy Sale Entity, LLC, and Vector Holdings Group LLC for Review of the Reorganization of TAG Mobile, LLC's Regulated Assets into TAG Mobile Bankruptcy Sale Entity, LLC's Regulated Assets into TAG Mobile Bankruptcy Sale Entity, LLC, and the Transfer of Control of TAG Mobile Bankruptcy Sale Entity, LLC, to Vector Holdings Group, LLC.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=347810272>

### A2009014 | 28-SEPT.-2020 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Expedited Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company Under the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment Trigger. (U39E)

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=347810071>

### A2009017 | 28-SEPT.-2020 | SIERRA VIEW DAIRY

Application for Rehearing of Resolution E-5064.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=347810215>

### C2009016 | 29-SEPT.-2020 | PETER W TUCKER

Peter W. Tucker, Complainant vs. Liberty Utilities d/b/a CalPeco Electric LLC (U933E), Defendant. [Charging allegations are overcharging and violations of Rule 21 and NEM Tariff]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=347810213>

### A2009018 | 30-SEPT.-2020 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39M) for Approval Under Public Utilities Code Section 851 to Sell the San Francisco General Office Complex, to Distribute the Gain to Customers, and for Recovery of Associated Costs Related to the Relocation of its Corporate Headquarters to the Lakeside Building in Oakland.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=347810551>

### A2009019 | 30-SEPT.-2020 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39M) for recovery of recorded expenditures related to wildfire mitigation and catastrophic events, as well as other recorded costs.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=347810121>

### A2010008 | 1-OCT.-20 | ZAYO GROUP LLC

Application of Zayo Group, LLC (U-6102-C) for modification of its existing certificate of public convenience and necessity.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348580525>

### A2010004 | 2-OCT.-20 | SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WATER COMPANY

Application of San Gabriel Valley Water Company (U337W) for an order authorizing the purchase of the City of Montebello's water system assets and related approvals.

<http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=ALL&DocID=349625438>

### A2010005 | 2-OCT.-20 | SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Application of San Diego Association of Governments for authority to construct a Vehicular-Rail Grade-Separated Underpass Crossing, CPUC#106-225.36-B and DOT #973277H, in the City of Oceanside, San Diego County.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348580168>

### R1311005 | 2-OCT.-20 | ALJ/FITCH/CPUC

Proposed Decision Continuing Efficiency Savings and Performance Incentive Mechanism.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348035852>

Alternate Decision by Commissioner Randolph: <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348070799>

### C2010001 | 6-OCT.-20 | EUGENE TYLER

Eugene Tyler, Complainant, vs. San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902E), Defendant.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348077769>

### C2010003 | 6-OCT.-20 | CHERYL LOCKHART

Cheryl Lockhart, Complainant vs. San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902E), Defendant.

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**C2010016 | 7-OCT.-2020 | COLLEEN BADELL**

Colleen Badell and Harvey Chapman, Complainants vs. California American Water Company (U210W), Defendant. [Charging allegation is for overbilling.]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=349714069>

**C2010017 | 7- OCT.-2020 | COLLEEN BADELL**

Colleen Badell and Harvey Chapman, Complainants vs. California American Water Company (U210W), Defendant. [Charging allegations for denial of service and billing error.]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Efile/G000/M349/K629/349629154.PDF>

**A2004009 | 8-OCT.-20 | ALJ/NOJAN/CPUC**

Proposed decision authorizing San Jose Water Company to issue up to \$300,000,000 of new debt and \$50,000,000 of new common equity securities.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348335002>

**A1907005 | 8-OCT.-20 | ALJ/KELLY/CPUC**

Proposed decision adopting the proposed settlement agreement.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348081708>

**R2010002 | 8-OCT.-20 | CPUC**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Consider Regulating Telecommunications Services Used by Incarcerated People.

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**A2010006 | 9-OCT.-20 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39M) for approval to provide eligible residential medical customers on non-tiered rates a medical baseline benefit through a line-item discount.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348580169>

**A2010007 | 9-OCT.-20 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY**

Expedited Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) Regarding Power Charge Indifference Adjustment Trigger.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348579511>

**A2010009 | 9-OCT.-20 | 9 LINE XPRESS LLC, ATTN: JOSEPH AUGUST**

The Application of 9 Line Xpress LLC for authority to operate as a scheduled and on-call passenger stage corporation between points in Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Santa Monica, San Diego and between private residences in Rocklin and Roseville to SMF Airport and SFO Airport, and to establish a Zone of Rate Freedom.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348580290>

**A1806015 | 26-JUNE-18 (REOPENED WEEK OF OCT. 5, 2020)**

**| SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY**

REHEARING OF DECISION 20-08-045 | Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for Approval of its Charge Ready 2 Infrastructure and Market Education Programs.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348035865>

**R9504043 | 26-APRIL-1995(REOPENED WEEK OF OCT. 5, 2020)**

**| CPUC**

Petition for Modification of Decision 98-12-083. | Order instituting rulemaking on the Commission's own motion into competition for local exchange service.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348078078>

**I9504044 | 26-APRIL-1995 (REOPENED WEEK OF OCT. 5, 2020)**

**| CPUC**

Petition for Modification of Decision 98-12-083. | Order instituting investigation on the Commission's own motion into competition for local exchange service.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348078078>

**A1805007 | 2-MAY-18 (REOPENED WEEK OF OCT. 5, 2020)**

**| SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY**

Rehearing of Decision 20-08-032. | In the matter of the application of Southern California Edison Company (U 338-E) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity: Eldorado-Lugo-Mohave Series Capacitor Project.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348078015>

**C1911021 | 21-NOV.-19 (REOPENED WEEK OF OCT. 5, 2020) | JOHN**

**BEZIS**

Rehearing of Decision 20-09-001 | John Bezis, Complainant vs. California Water Service Company (U60W), Defendant.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348078143>

**A2003015 | 12-OCT.-20 | ALJ/KERSTEN/CPUC**

Proposed Decision authorizing Pacific Gas and Electric Company sale of Chili Bar Hydroelectric Project and associated property to Sacramento Municipal Utility District.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348580032>

**A1807001 | 14-OCT.-20 | ALJ/FERGUSON/CPUC**

Proposed Decision approving a partial settlement agreement, ruling on post-hearing motions and authorizing California Water Service Company's General Rate Increases for 2020, 2021 and 2022.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348579520>



**A2010010 | 14-OCT.-20 | TRUCONNECT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**  
Application of TruConnect Communications, Inc. for Rehearing of Resolution T-17707.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348816185>

**A1808010 | 15-OCT.-20 | ALJ/FERGUSON/CPUC**  
Proposed Phase I Decision conditionally authorizing the City of Lone to construct a new at-grade public railroad crossing at Milepost 0.84 of the Amador Central Railroad.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348816157>  
Commissioner Randolph's alternate decision: <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348815451>

**R2002008 | 15-OCT.-20 | CMMR/SHIROMA/CPUC**  
Proposed Decision modifying Decision 19-04-021 regarding Foster Youth Pilot Program.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348821723>

**R1212011 | 15-OCT.-20 | CMMR/SHIROMA/CPUC**  
Proposed Decision Authorizing Deployment of Drivered and Driverless Autonomous Vehicle Passenger Service.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348580207>

**A1807011 ET AL. | 16-OCT.-20 | ALJ/BEMESDERFER/CPUC**  
Proposed Decision Granting in Part and Denying in Part Petition for Modification of Decision 20-04-008.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348821129>

**A1603009, A1702009 ET AL. | 16-OCT.-20 | ALJ/MILES/CPUC**  
Proposed Decision granting Crimson California Pipeline, LP Application for Rate Increase with Modifications.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348815466>

**I1702002 | 16-OCT.-20 | ALJ/ZHANG/CPUC**  
Proposed Decision setting the interim range of Aliso Canyon Storage Capacity at Zero to 34 Billion Cubic Feet.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=348814650>

**A2007008 | 16-OCT.-20 | ALJ/JUNGREIS/CPUC**  
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Proposed Decision authorizing San Diego Gas & Electric Company rate for electric vehicle high power charging.

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Proposed Decision granting compensation to Green Power Institute | Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902E) for Approval of its 2018 Energy Storage Procurement and Investment Plan. A1802016, A1803001, and A1803002 are consolidated.

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**R1407002, A1607015 | 2-NOV.-20 | ALJ/DOHERTY/KAO/CPUC**

Proposed decision regarding petition for modification of Decision 18-06-027 and providing direction regarding marketing and outreach of the Disadvantaged Communities Single-Family Solar Homes.

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Proposed Decision approving PacifiCorp's 2020 Energy Cost Adjustment Clause Rates.

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**C1910010 | 5-NOV.-20 | ALJ/KLINE/CPUC**

Presiding Officer's Decision dismissing Complaint of Utility Telecom Group, LLC vs. Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Califor-

nia. 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 of this decision. Any Commissioner may request review of the Presiding Officer's Decision by filing and serving a Request for Review within 30 days of the date of issuance.

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In the matter of the joint application of TracFone Wireless, Inc. (U4321C), Amrica Mvil, S.A.B. de C.V. and Verizon Communications, Inc. for Approval of Transfer of Control over Tracfone Wirless, Inc.

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**C1911008 | 6-NOV.-20 | ALJ/KLINE/CPUC**

Presiding Officer's Decision dismissing Complaint of Utility Telecom Group, LLC vs. Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California. 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 of this decision. Any Commissioner may request review of the Presiding Officer's Decision by filing and serving a Request for Review within 30 days of the date of issuance.

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**C1709023 | 29-SEPT.-2017 (REOPENED WEEK OF NOV. 2, 2020) | PACIFIC BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY**

Application for rehearing of the Decision 20-09-029 | Pacific Bell Telephone Co. d/b/a AT&T California (U1001C), Complainant vs. VAYA Telecom, Inc. (U7122C), Defendant [to Enforce Decision (D.) 14-01-006 and related Relief.]

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Application for rehearing of Decision 20-09-034 | In The Matter of the Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902E) for a Permit to Construct The TL 6975 San Marcos to Escondido Project.

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**R1907017 | 10-NOV.-20 | ALJ/DOHERTY/CPUC**

Proposed Decision Adopting Timing and Amount of 2021 Wildfire Fund Non-Bypassable Charge. Opening Comments are due on November 30, 2020. Reply Comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing Opening Comments.

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**A2005005 | 12-NOV.-20 | ALJ/DEANGELIS/CPUC**

Proposed Decision Approving the Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Debt and Preferred Stock Authorization. Open-

ing Comments are due on December 2, 2020. Reply Comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing Opening Comments.

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**A1911018 | 12-NOV.-20 | ALJ/STEVENS/CPUC**

Proposed Decision Denying Southern California Gas Company's 2020 Flex Alert Campaign and Cost Recovery Request. Opening Comments are due on December 2, 2020. Reply Comments are due 5 days after the last day for filing Opening Comments.

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Proposed Decision adopting the Standard Renewable Gas Interconnection and Operating Agreement. Opening comments are due no later than December 3, 2020. Reply comments are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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Proposed Decision establishing process for backstop procurement required by Decision 19-11-016. Opening comments are due no later than December 3, 2020. Reply comments are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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Proposed Decision modifying the High Fire-Threat District boundaries in Southern California Edison Company's service. Opening comments are due no later than December 3, 2020. Reply comments are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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Proposed Decision regarding Power Charge Indifference Adjustment Trigger Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company. Opening comments are due no later than December 3, 2020. Reply comments are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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Application of The Utility Reform Network for an Award of Intervenor Compensation for Substantial Contribution to Wildfire Safety Division Decision Regarding Southern California Edison Company Request for 2020 Safety Certification

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