

# CPUC Public Agenda 3526

Thursday, April 27, 2023, 11:00 a.m.

## **Commissioners:**

Alice Reynolds, President

Genevieve Shiroma

Darcie L. Houck

John Reynolds

Karen Douglas

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California Public  
Utilities Commission

# CPUC Mission

We Empower California through:

- Assuring utility services are clean and safe.
- Providing for critical services and infrastructure.
- Designing rates that are fair and reasonable.
- Protecting the interests of consumers and ratepayers

# CPUC Core Values



**Accountability**



**Excellence**



**Integrity**



**Open  
Communication**



**Stewardship**

# Commissioner Code of Conduct

- I. Commissioners should conduct themselves in a manner that demonstrates respect for the public, for fellow Commissioners, and for Commission staff.
- II. Commission meetings should be opportunities for a full and respectful exchange of ideas and the responsible execution of Commission duties.
- III. Serving on the Commission is an honor and Commissioners should treat their colleagues at the Commission with respect for the varied backgrounds, skills and interests that each one brings.
- IV. Commissioners are public officials who should uphold the integrity of their office at all times.

# Public Comment

- Per Resolution ALJ-252, any member of the public (excluding parties and their representatives) who wishes to address the CPUC about matters before the Commission must call in to toll-free number:



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- Once called, each speaker has up to 1 minute at the discretion of the Commission President.
- A bell will ring when time has expired.
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# Public Agenda Changes

Items shown on the Consent Agenda will be taken up and voted on as a group in one of the first items of business of each CPUC meeting.

- Items on Today's Consent Agenda are:  
**1, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38.**
- Any Commissioner, with consent of the other Commissioners, may request an item from the Regular Agenda be moved to the Consent Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **No Item** from the Regular Agenda have been added to the Consent Agenda.
- Any Commissioner may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion on the Regular Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **Items 18 and 20** have been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- **No Item** has been withdrawn.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:
  - **Held to: 5/18/2023 2, 3, 5, 6, 12, 16, 27, and 39**

# Regular Agenda

- Each item on the Regular Agenda (and its alternate if any) will be introduced by the assigned Commissioner or CPUC staff and discussed before it is moved for a vote.
- For each agenda item, a summary of the proposed action is included on the agenda; the CPUC's final decision may, however, differ from that proposed.
- The complete text of every Proposed Decision or Draft Resolution is available for download on the CPUC's website: [www.cpuc.ca.gov](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov)
- Late changes to agenda items are available on the Virtual Escutia Table; or in paper format or via QR Code at the Commission Meeting site.

# Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions

## Item #18 [21478] – California Advanced Services Fund Broadband Adoption Account Submitted from the July 2022 Application Round

### Res T-17773

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#### PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Approves grant funding in the amount of \$9,318,782 from the California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) Broadband Adoption Account for 11 projects to nine applicants.
- Collectively, these projects will provide digital literacy trainings to 9,121 participants, and broadband subscriptions to 32,810 participants. Denies funding for two projects.

#### SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this resolution.

#### ESTIMATED COST:

- \$9,318,782.



## Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions (continued)

### Item #20 [21480] – Local Agency Technical Assistance Grant Funding for One Broadband Planning Application

#### Res T-17785

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#### PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Staff recommends approval of Up to \$1,000,000 in Local Agency Technical Assistance Grant Funding for One Broadband Planning Application.

#### SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations are associated with this resolution.

#### ESTIMATED COST:

- \$1,000,000.

# Regular Agenda | Energy Orders

## Item #40 [21482] – Transition From Master Metered to Direct Gas Service for a Community in Santa Nella, California

I.22-09-011

Order Instituting Investigation to Address the Potential Loss of Natural Gas Service for a Portion of the Santa Nella Community.

**Ratesetting**

**Comr. John Reynolds - Judge Stevens**

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### PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Directs Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to convert the existing master metered gas service from SNME, Inc. to direct metered service.
- Directs PG&E to simultaneously upgrade the existing electric infrastructure while it is conducting the trenching work to upgrade the gas system.
- Directs PG&E to ensure that the impact community does not lose utility service while the construction of the solutions identified are executed.

### SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- Addresses the safety concerns of the existing gas and electric infrastructure in the impacted community by upgrading the infrastructure to modern and safe infrastructure.

### ESTIMATED COST:

- The estimated cost that will be added to PG&E's ratebase is \$11.03 million.

## Regular Agenda | Energy Orders (continued)

### Item #40A [21483] – Commissioner John Reynolds' Alternate to Item 21482

I.22-09-011

Order Instituting Investigation to Address the Potential Loss of Natural Gas Service for a Portion of the Santa Nella Community.

**Ratesetting**

**Comr. John Reynolds**

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#### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Directs Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to convert the Santa Nella subdivision's existing master metered gas service from SNME, Inc., to direct metered service, as well as to simultaneously upgrade the existing electric infrastructure.
- Directs PG&E to provide community members the option to fully electrify instead of receiving new PG&E gas service, applying learnings and approaches from a similar San Joaquin Valley electrification pilot program.
- Directs PG&E to ensure that the impacted community does not lose utility service while the construction of the solutions identified is completed.
- Closes the proceeding.

#### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- Addresses the safety concerns of the existing gas and electric infrastructure in the impacted community by upgrading the infrastructure to modern and safe standards. Additional safety benefits may be provided from improved health and safety as a result of full in-home electrification.

#### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- The cost of the directed solution is expected to be between \$11.03 million and \$14.6 million, with uncertainty due to the unknown number of households that will choose to electrify.

## Regular Agenda | Legal Division Matters

### Item #41 [21499]

#### Comments before Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Regarding Interstate Power Line Siting Preemption

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Legal Division and Energy Division Staff (collectively, Staff) recommend that the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) file comments in response to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in Docket No. RM22-7-000 (NOPR). Comments are necessary to oppose California from being unnecessarily preempted by FERC during the interstate siting of transmission lines within National Electric Transmission Congestion Corridors. As proposed, the new rules could provide an incentive for transmission owners to use delay tactics with state permitting agencies in order for FERC to take control over project siting.

# Management Reports



**Item #42 [21513]**

**Management Report on Administrative Actions and Consumer  
Protection and Safety Activities**

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# Management Reports



# Commissioner's Reports



President  
Alice Busching Reynolds



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The CPUC thanks you for participating in today's meeting

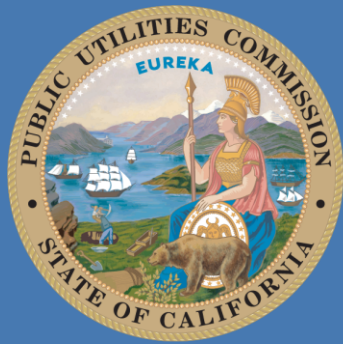
The next Public Meeting will be:

**May 18, 2023**

**11:00 a.m.**

**Remotely**





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