

CPUC Public Agenda 3477

Thursday, December 17, 2020 10:00 a.m.
Remotely



Commissioners:
Marybel Batjer, President
Liane M. Randolph
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Clifford Rechtschaffen
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Utilities Commission

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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: 1-800-857-1917
- Passcode: 9899501
- Once called, each speaker has up to 2 minutes at the discretion of the Commission President. Depending on the number of speakers, the time limit may be reduced to 1 minute.
- A bell will ring when time has expired.

Public Comment is not permitted on the following items:

- All items on the Closed Session Agenda
- 37, 38, 54, 58



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, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, and 49
- 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.
- Item 50 from the Regular Agenda has 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 3 and 4 have been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- Item 51 has been withdrawn.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:

Held to 1/14/21: 2, 12, 24, 25, 29, and 37.



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
- Late changes to agenda items are available on the Virtual Escutia Table.



Regular Agenda – Orders and Resolutions

Item #3 [18880] – Treatment of Carrier Confidentiality Claims in Network Report

R.11-12-001

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Evaluate Telecommunications Corporations Service Quality Performance and Consider Modification to Service Quality Rules.

Quasi-Legislative

Comr Rechtschaffen - Judge Bemesderfer

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Grants in part and denies in part carrier requests for confidential treatment of data in Network Report.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety concerns implicated by this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this decision.

Regular Agenda – Orders and Resolutions (continued)

Item #4 [18914] – Voluntary Renewable Natural Gas Tariff Pilot Program

A.19-02-015

Application of Southern California Gas Company and San Diego Gas & Electric Company for Renewable Natural Gas Tariff.

Ratesetting

Comr Rechtschaffen - Judge Liang-Uejio

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Adopts a three-year voluntary Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) Tariff pilot program for Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E).
- Authorizes SoCalGas and SDG&E to offer the adopted pilot program to their respective eligible core customers.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- Administrative and marketing: \$770,000 for SoCalGas and \$641,000 for SDG&E over the first five years.
- Information Technology (IT): \$785,000 for SoCalGas.
- Shared Gas management system: \$50,000 for SoCalGas and SDG&E.
- SoCalGas' and SDG&E's RNG commodity costs and SDG&E's IT costs have not yet been determined.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline

Item #52 [18933] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

A.09-09-022

In the Matter of the Application of Southern California Edison Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Alberhill System Project.

Ratesetting

Comr Guzman Aceves - Judge Yacknin

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until December 19, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline (continued)

Item #53 [18953] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

A.19-07-004

Application of California-American Water Company for Authorization to Increase its Revenues for Water Service by \$25,999,900 or 10.60% in the year 2021, by \$9,752,500 or 3.59% in the year 2022, and by \$10,754,500 or 3.82% in the year 2023.

Ratesetting

Comr Shiroma - Judge Kelly

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until September 30, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline (continued)

Item #54 [18970] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

C.17-08-003, C.18-01-005 - Related matters.

Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California vs. TruConnect Communications, Inc. f/k/a Telscape Communications, Inc. and Blue Casa Telephone, LLC.

Adjudicatory

Comr Rechtschaffen - Judge Haga

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until June 30, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Deadline

Item #55 [18997] – Order Extending Deadline

(ECP) C.19-08-009

Rashid El Malik vs. Southern California Edison Company

Comr Randolph - Judge Kim

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends the deadline for completion of this proceeding until June 30, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Deadline.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline (continued)

Item #56 [19002] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

I.19-06-013

Order Instituting Investigation for the Purpose of Establishing a List for the Fiscal Years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 of Existing Crossings at Grade of City Streets, County Roads or State Highways in need of separation, or Existing Separations in need of Alterations or Reconstruction in Accordance with Section 2452 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

Quasi-Legislative

Comr Shiroma - Judge Fortune

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until June 30, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline (continued)

Item #57 [19005] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

A.18-03-009

Joint Application of Southern California Edison Company and San Diego Gas & Electric Company for the 2018 Nuclear Decommissioning Cost Triennial Proceeding.

Ratesetting

Comr Batjer - Judge Haga

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until June 19, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline (continued)

Item #58 [19005] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

I.19-12-009

Order Instituting Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion into the Operations, Practices, and Conduct of Frontier Communications Corporation, Frontier of America, Inc., (U-5429-C), and Frontier California, Inc., (U-1002-C) to Determine Whether Frontier Violated the Laws, Rules, and Regulations of this State through Service Outages and Interruptions and Disclosing and Publishing Customer Addresses.

Adjudicatory

Comr Randolph - Judge Zhang

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until March 19, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline (continued)

Item #59 [19022] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

I.19-06-014

Order Instituting Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion to Determine Whether Southern California Gas Company's and Sempra Energy's Organizational Culture and Governance

Prioritize Safety.

Quasi-Legislative

Comr Randolph - Judge Hecht

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends Statutory Deadline for Completion of Phase 1 of this Proceeding to December 31, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline (continued)

Item #60 [19026] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

A.19-07-006

Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company for Approval of Electric Vehicle High Power Charging Rate.

Ratesetting

Comr Rechtschaffen - Judge Wang

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding from January 2, 2021 to February 12, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this order.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no estimated costs associated with this order.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline (continued)

Item #61 [19029] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

A.19-04-002

Application of Phillips 66 Pipeline LLC (PL-25) for Authority to Increase Rates for Pipeline Transportation Services Within California.

Ratesetting

Comr Shiroma - Judge Miles

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until February 21, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Regular Agenda – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline (continued)

Item #62 [19030] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

R.18-10-007

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Implement Electric Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plans Pursuant to Senate Bill 901 (2018).

Ratesetting

Comr Batjer - Judge Fogel

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until June 30, 2021.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations implicated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Management Reports



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Regular Agenda - Commissioner Reports

Item #65 [19049]

Discussion of 2021 Rate Implementation

2021 Electric Rate Impacts

CPUC Meeting: December 17, 2020

Presented by Edward Randolph

Deputy Executive Director for Energy and Climate Policy/Director, Energy Division



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Estimated Upcoming PG&E Rate Changes

- On 11/15, PG&E filed its Annual Electric True Up Advice Letter 6004-E (AET) for rates effective 1/1/2021
- On 12/14, PG&E filed a supplemental AET with a "rate smoothing" proposal which is currently being reviewed by Energy Division; this supplemental AET also removed the GRC which will have a 3/1/2021 implementation date
- If the "rate smoothing proposal" is approved, the largest drivers of **January 1st** rate changes will be:
 - Interim cost recovery decision granting 50% recovery of specified wildfire mitigation costs
 - Upcoming adjustment for forecast of fuel and purchased power costs (i.e. ERRRA)
 - FERC approved transmission rate changes
- Rates will change again on **March 1st** to reflect:
 - The recent 12/3 General Rate Case decision (rate increase), nuclear decommissioning charges (increase), a refund from 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (decrease), cost of capital (decrease), and FERC jurisdictional Transmission Access Charge reductions (decrease)

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING BILL IMPACTS ARE BASED ON PENDING DECISIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND ADVICE LETTERS BEFORE THE COMMISSION AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

PG&E

Estimated monthly electric bill impacts resulting from anticipated rate changes:

Bundled PG&E Residential Monthly Electric Bill Impact Estimates (500 kWh Usage)			
	January 1, 2021	March 1, 2021	April 1, 2021 Climate Credit
Original AET (w/GRC) Bundled Residential Non-CARE Bill Impact	\$15.67 / 13.4%	N/A	\$17.20
Original AET (w/GRC) Bundled Residential CARE Bill Impact	\$11.95 / 14.9%	N/A	
12/14 AET Supplement w/o GRC Bundled Residential Non-CARE Bill Impact	\$6.45 / 5.5%	\$4.13 / 3.4%	
12/14 AET Supplement w/o GRC Bundled Residential CARE Bill Impact	\$5.48 / 6.9%	\$2.88 / 3.4%	

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PG&E

Estimated monthly electric bill impacts resulting from anticipated rate changes:

On January 1, 2021, unbundled customers - i.e., CCA and Direct Access customers – will see changes to their Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) rate as a result of the Energy Resource Recovery Account and PCIA Trigger proceedings (pending 12/17/20 vote)

Estimated Unbundled PG&E Residential Monthly Electric Bill Impacts (500 kWh Usage)									
	Vintage year								
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
PCIA Rate Change	42%	52%	42%	38%	38%	42%	42%	42%	36%
Bill Impact	\$6.27	\$7.92	\$6.65	\$6.49	\$6.67	\$6.92	\$6.92	\$6.70	\$5.46

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SCE

Bundled SCE Residential Monthly Electric Bill Impact Estimates (500 kWh Usage)									
	January 1, 2021			February 1, 2021			April 1, 2021 Climate Credit		
Bundled Residential Non-CARE Bill Impact	None			\$11.40 / 9.9%			\$29.00		
Bundled Residential CARE Bill Impact	None			\$7.32 / 10.1%					
Unbundled SCE Residential Monthly Electric Bill Impact Estimates (500 kWh Usage)									
	Vintage year								
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
PCIA Rate Change	-2%	-1%	6%	23%	36%	32%	27%	31%	26%
Bill Impact	-\$0.24	-\$0.13	\$0.72	\$2.68	\$4.03	\$3.60	\$3.06	\$3.47	\$2.98

February 1 Rate Change Key Drivers

- Energy Resource Recovery Account Forecast of fuel and purchased power costs (pending 12/17/20 vote)
- Adjustment of numerous electric balancing accounts (BAs) such as the Demand Response, Pole Loading, and Medical Programs BAs
- Adjustments for revenues needed to support Low-Income Assistance (CARE) Program
- FERC-approved Transmission rate changes

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SDG&E

Bundled SDG&E Residential Monthly Electric Bill Impact Estimates (400 kWh Usage)*

	January 1, 2021	March 1, 2021	April 1, 2021 Climate Credit
Bundled Residential Non-CARE Bill Impact	\$3.40 / 2.9%	N/A**	\$36.40
Bundled Residential CARE Bill Impact	\$2.21 / 2.9%	N/A**	

Unbundled SDG&E Residential Monthly Electric Bill Impact Estimates (400 kWh Usage)*

	Vintage year								
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
PCIA Rate Change	36%	36%	36%	37%	36%	36%	36%	36%	37%
Bill Impact	\$5.22	\$5.71	\$5.71	\$5.76	\$5.77	\$5.77	\$5.77	\$5.73	\$5.75

* SDG&E numbers based on 400 kWh usage while PG&E and SCE are based on 500 kWh. Usage is reflective of electric consumption for a utility's typical customer.

** SDG&E filed an ERRR Trigger application on 12/11/2020 for 3/1/2021; proceeding is pending and rate impact uncertain.

January 1 Rate Change Key Drivers

- FERC approved Transmission rate changes
- Energy Resource Recovery Account Forecast of fuel and purchased power costs (pending 12/17/20 vote)
- Flow through of authorized 2021 adjustments from the SDG&E's 2019 General Rate Case decision
- Adjustment of numerous electric rate balancing accounts such as the Tree Trimming, Master Metering, and Hazardous Substance Cleanup
- Rate changes to support Public Purpose Programs such as CARE and Energy Efficiency Programs

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Small Multi-Jurisdictional Utilities

Bundled Residential Monthly Electric Bill Impact Estimates (Usage specified by utility meant to represent a typical bill)			
	January 1, 2021	March 1, 2021	April 1, 2021 Climate Credit
Bear Valley Residential Non-CARE Bill Impact (350 kWh)	\$3.39 / 6.3%	None Anticipated as of December 17, 2021	No climate credit
Bear Valley Residential CARE Bill Impact (350 kWh)	\$2.71 / 6.5%		
Liberty Residential Non-CARE Bill Impact	\$9.46 / 9%	None Anticipated as of December 17, 2021	\$29.96 (proposed; pending in current ECAC)
Liberty Residential CARE Bill Impact	\$9.31 / 12%		
PacifiCorp Residential Bill Impact (Care/Non-CARE splits unavailable) 350 kWh	\$2.74 / 2.2%	None Anticipated as of December 17, 2021	\$97.23 (proposed; pending in current ECAC)

Rate Change Key Drivers

- Bear Valley:** General Rate Case adjustments
- Liberty:** Adjustments currently pending by Advice Letter for GRC authorized rates, capital additions for transmission projects, and CARE programs
- PacifiCorp:** General Rate Case adjustments, removal of Klamath Dam surcharge, capital additions for wind/transmission projects, Energy Cost Adjustment Clause (ECAC) for fuel and purchased power costs

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Regular Agenda - Commissioner Reports

Item #65 [19049]

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Management Reports



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Commissioners' Reports



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Commissioner Randolph

Term in Review – Portrait of a Dedicated Commissioner



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By the Numbers:

- Served for **6** Years on the Commission
- Worked with **2** Commission Presidents
- Attended **119** Voting Meetings
- Assigned **400** Unique Proceedings
- Voted on **6,433** Individual Agenda Items



A Tenure Filled with Highlights:

- Authorized a Plan for Removal of Klamath Dam, which will be the Largest River Restoration in U.S. History
- Proposed Reforms to Improve the Transparency and Effectiveness of Commission Processes
- Approved the California-American Desalination Plant, a Piece of Landmark Infrastructure
- Authorized First Pilot Trials for Autonomous Vehicles in California



Fun Facts:

- Won more than \$3,500 for the SF-Marin Foodbank competing in Trivia competitions with her staff against other organizations, including her husband's law firm.
- Once attended a Commission Voting Meeting with a broken leg – she is unstoppable!
- Member of a Marathon Running Group



Good luck at the Air Resources Board,
Commissioner! We will miss you!



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The CPUC Thanks You For Participating in Today's Meeting

The next Public Meeting will be:

January 14, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Remote

