

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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To Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company,

***Subject: Deadline Extension for Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company to Comply with D.20-02-011 Ordering Paragraph 3 (Requiring Upload of Signature Pages from the Updated Solar Consumer Protection Guide)***

On February 14, 2020, Decision (D.)20-02-011 was issued. Ordering Paragraph (OP) 3 of D.20-02-011 states that, for customers of “Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (together, the utilities)... [i]f a solar provider executes a contract with a residential customer for solar on or after 120 days after the issue date of this decision, the solar provider is required to include the signed attestation page in the same portable document file as the customer-initialed and signed pages of the solar information packet...” Note that the solar information packet has been titled the Solar Consumer Protection Guide (Guide) and the attestations have been included on the signature pages.

Since 120 days after the date of issuance fell on a Saturday (June 13, 2020), the deadline for implementation would have been Monday, June 15, 2020.<sup>1</sup> D.20-02-011 allows the director of Energy Division or his/her/their designee to adjust this schedule if necessary to ensure efficient and cost-effective implementation.

On June 5, 2020, I sent a [letter](#) to the R.14-07-002 and R.12-11-005 service lists. The letter extended the date by which the utilities must implement D.20-02-011 Ordering Paragraph 3 from June 15, 2020 to September 30, 2020. The letter also stated that September 30, 2020 was the date on which the revised Guide would become effective. Due to delays in the translation of the Guide into other languages,<sup>2</sup> I sent another [letter](#) to the same service lists on September 29, 2020, extending the deadline for the revised Guide to become effective for solar contracts signed on or after October 30, 2020. The translations of the 2020 version of the Guide have been further delayed, with the result that they will not be available in time to become effective on October 30, 2020. In addition, the Guide will be updated in early 2021 to reflect the results of recently passed legislation.

Through this letter, I am extending the date by which Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, and SDG&E must require the signature pages from the updated version of the Guide. **The utilities should accept signature pages from either the 2019 or the 2020 version of the Solar Consumer Protection Guide for contracts executed between a solar provider and a residential customer for solar through December 31, 2020.**

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<sup>1</sup> California Public Utilities Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, Rule 1.15  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Published/G000/M209/K618/209618807.PDF>

<sup>2</sup> In D.18-09-044, the Commission adopted the recommendation that the solar information packet [i.e., the Solar Consumer Protection Guide] be translated into Spanish, Chinese, Tagalog, Vietnamese, and Korean.

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Some solar providers may already have printed large quantities of the September 2020 version of the Guide. Therefore, when the Energy Division provides the 2021 version of the Guide, it will also provide an addendum page that solar providers may append as the first page of the printed September 2020 version of the Guide.

For questions regarding the extension established in this letter, please contact Erica Petrofsky in the CPUC's Energy Division at [erica.petrofsky@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:erica.petrofsky@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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