## Resolution USRB-001, 7/31/2008; Citation Procedures for the Enforcement of Safety Regulations for Jurisdictional Propane Gas Distribution System Operators

**Additional Statutory Authority:** §§ 4451-4465.

Event Event	Resolution USRB-001	Governing Appellate
		Rule
File Appeal	Within 45 calendar days	Program Rule 3: File
	from the citation date.	Notice of Appeal with
	(Section 11.a)	Docket Office; File within
		time stated by Resolution
		USRB-001 § 11.a.
Content of Appeal	Explain reasons.	Program Rule 5: State
	(Section 11.a)	date and dollar amount
		of the citation; indicate
		rationale for appeal as
		required by Resolution
		USRB-001 § 11.a.
Compliance Filing	Silent	Program Rule 7: Staff
		issuing citation must file
		complete citation and
		proof of service with
		Commission's Docket
		Office no later than 14
		days after Notice of
		Appeal is filed. Staff
		must serve filing on Chief
		Judge and Appellant on
		same day.
Exchange of Info	Silent	Program Rule 9: Parties
		must exchange all
		information intended to
		be introduced into the
		record at hearing which
		is not included in citation
		or compliance filing no

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		Rule
		later than three days
		prior to hearing.
Hearing Date	Within 30 calendar days	Program Rule 10:
	after appeal received	Hearing must commence
	from staff. Judge may for	as required by Resolution
	good cause or parties'	USRB-001 § 11.b and
	agreement, grant	§ 11.c.
	reasonable hearing	
	continuance.	
	(Section 11.b). Appellant	
	will be notified at least	
	10 days in advance of the	
	hearing. (Section 11.c)	
Burden of Proof	Staff. Staff opens and	Program Rule 11: The
	closes; Judge may alter	burden of proof is as set
	order. (Section 11.g)	forth in Resolution
		USRB-001 § 11.g.
Evidence	Formal rules do not	Program Rule 13: Rule
	necessarily apply;	13.6 (Evidence) of the
	substantial rights of the	Commission's Rules of
	parties preserved.	Practice and Procedure
	Relevant and reliable	applies.
	evidence received at	
	Judge's discretion.	
	(Section 11.g)	
Hearing Venue	SF or LA. (Section 11.c)	Program Rule 12: Venue
		as set forth in Resolution
		USRB-001 § 11.c.
Party Representative	At appellant's expense.	Program Rule 13: At
	(Section 11.f)	appellant's expense.
Transcript	Appellant must pay costs	Program Rule 14:
	per Commission's	Appellant must pay costs

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		Rule
	procedures.	per Commission's
	(Section 11.d)	procedures.
Interpreter	Upon good faith showing	Program Rule 15: Upon a
	of language difficulty	good faith showing of
	and written request to	language difficulty and
	the assigned Judge not	written request to the
	less than 10 days prior to	assigned Judge and
	date of hearing. (Section	Commission's Public
	11.e)	Advisor's Office not less
		than five business days
		prior to date of hearing.
		At Commission's
		expense.
Submission	Ordinarily at close of	Program Rule 16: The
	hearing; Judge may keep	submission date is
	record open for good	governed by Resolution
	cause for a reasonable	USRB-001 § 11.h.
	period (not to exceed 30	
	calendar days) to permit	
	a party to submit	
	additional evidence or	
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Issuance of Draft	Not later than 45 days	Program Rule 17: Draft
Resolution	after submission.	decision issued
	(Section 11.i)	expeditiously, and no
		later than 60 days after
		submission.
		Program Rule 18: Draft Resolution issued for
Ex Danta	Duohibited from Jota	public comment.
Ex Parte	Prohibited from date	Program Rule 19:
Communications	citation issues to	Prohibited from date the
		citation (which is being

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		Rule
	adoption of final	appealed) issues to final
	resolution. (Section 14)	order.
Rehearing	Yes (Section 11.j)	Program Rule 20:
		Resolution subject to
		rehearing.

## **Additional Program Rules:**

- Rule 1: Applicability
- Rule 2: Definitions
- Rule 4: Extension of Time to File the Notice of Appeal
- Rule 6: Minimum Service Requirements for the Notice of Appeal
- Rule 6.1 Expedited Citation Appeal Procedure
- Rule 8: Service List and Parties to An Appeal
- Rule 21: Service of Rules and Resolution Adopting Them With All Citations and Clearinghouse Decisions Concerning General Order 156
- Rule 22: Applicable Procedure when Appellate Rules Are Silent