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TRANSPORTATION LICENSING AND ANALYSIS BRANCH (TLAB)

TLAB's Licensing Section analyzes applications from carriers, issues permits and certificates to carriers that meet state requirements, writes proposed decisions to approve or deny carriers' CPCN applications, manages changes to carrier operations, communicates with carriers, and tracks carrier compliance with permit requirements. **TLAB's Analysis Section** functions as the Commission's subject matter expert on policy matters, providing technical and advisory support to commissioners, administrative law judges, and all levels of agency management on transportation matters.

Processing Carrier Applications

TLAB's Transportation Licensing Section is processing and managing applications for over 6,400 carriers throughout California. Items processed in March 2023 include applications, vehicle and driver updates, vehicle safety inspection results, and other requests. This work is accomplished through the Transportation Carrier Portal (TCPortal), an online system that allows carriers to submit applications and other requests electronically and make payments online. The TCPortal tracks certain licensing activities as shown in the following tables and figures.

Figure 1. Total Permits & Certificates

Total Permits and Certificates. Figure 1 shows the total number of operating authorities (active and suspended) by month.

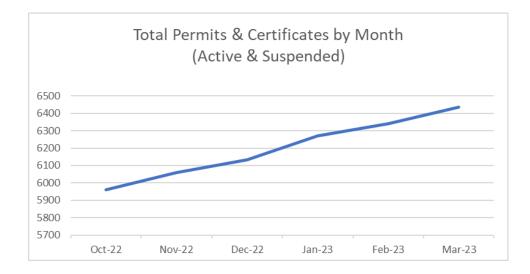


Table 1. Permits and Certificates by Category

Permits and Certificates by Category. The Commission grants permits and certificates for five categories of transportation carriers. Table 1 shows total numbers for those categories in the current month.

Carrier Type	Current Total
Transportation Charter Party	6286
Passenger Stage Corporation	107
Vessel Common Carrier	17
Transportation Network Company	18
Autonomous Vehicle	7

Figure 2. Monthly Completions of Permit Categories

Monthly Completions of Permit Categories. In addition to new applications for operating authorities, TLAB processes refile applications, transfer applications, and renewal applications. Figure 2 shows the numbers of each category completed by month.

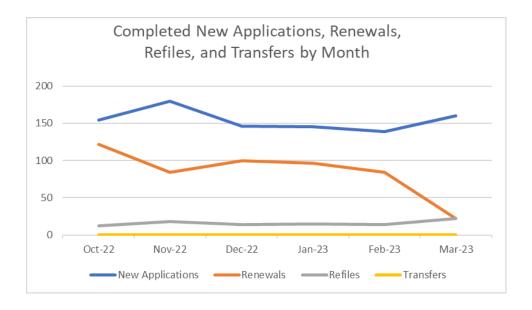


Figure 3. Suspensions and Revocations by Month

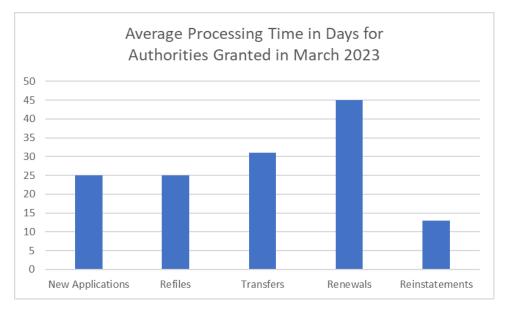
Suspensions and Revocations. Carriers can be suspended or revoked for various reasons such as failing to maintain active insurance. Carriers may also voluntarily suspend operations. Figure 3 shows both types of suspensions/revocations by month.



Figure 4. Average Processing Times

Average Processing Times. The total time to process an application, from initial receipt to issuance or denial of a permit or certificate, depends on internal processing time and on the time for external entities to provide necessary information. Upon receipt of applications application, CPUC staff review them for completeness and issue deficiency notices to carriers for any outstanding items.

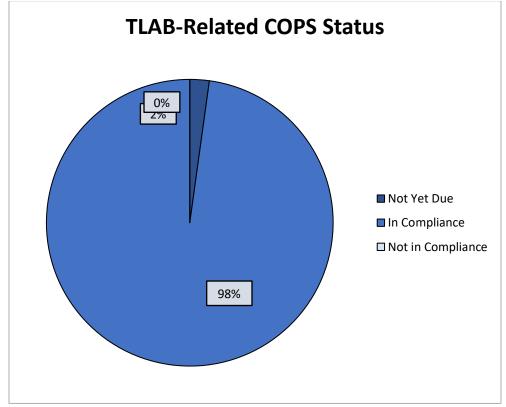
Examples of these items include evidence of insurance coverage filed by the carrier's insurance agent; evidence of compliance with drug and alcohol testing requirements; and inspection by the California Highway Patrol for vehicles with a seating capacity of 11 or more. Figure 4 shows the average total processing time for the major categories of permits and certificates processed by TLAB.



Compliance with Ordering Paragraphs

Figure 5. Compliance with Ordering Paragraphs

The Transportation Program is currently responsible for **690** separate Ordering Paragraphs. Many Ordering Paragraphs result from decisions to approve CPCNs for passenger stage corporations, and include permit requirements such as obtaining appropriate insurances, enrolling in drug testing and California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) pull-notice programs, receiving bus terminal inspections by CHP and others. Other OPs uphold TEB enforcement actions and impose fines for carrier violations of law and wrongdoing against consumers. OPs also introduce new reporting requirements and transportation policies. Figure 5 shows compliance with the Ordering Paragraphs.



Docket Activity

Current Policy Proceedings. The Transportation Analysis Section supports three current proceedings. **R.12-12-011** develops regulations relating to transportation network companies and autonomous vehicles. **R.19-02-012** implements Senate Bill 1376, incentivizing transportation network companies to provide on-demand service for persons with disabilities, including wheelchair users who need a wheelchair accessible vehicle. **R.21-11-004** implements the California Clean Miles Standard and Incentive Program, enacted through Senate Bill 1014, requiring the California Air Resources Board and the Commission to jointly work to lower greenhouse gas emissions from transportation network companies.

R.12-12-011 / TNC Rulemaking / Mason & Chiv / Shiroma

1. No Docket Activity.

R.19-02-012 / TNC Access Rulemaking / Chiv / Shiroma

2. No Docket Activity.

R.21-11-014 / Clean Miles Standard / Wang / Shiroma

1. No Docket Activity.

Carrier Application Proceedings. The Transportation Licensing Section assists the Commission in the regulation of Passenger Stage Corporations and Vessel Common Carriers. **Passenger Stage Corporations (PSCs)** are carriers that transport passengers between points on an individual fare basis. Examples are fixed-route bus services and "share-the-ride" airport shuttle services. **Vessel Common Carriers (VCCs)** are carriers that transport persons or property between points in the State. Examples are commute ferry services in the San Francisco Bay and services between California mainland points and Catalina Island. PSCs and VCCs are common carriers and must file requests with the Commission through a formal process. Both carrier types require a "certificate of public convenience and necessity" (CPCN) from the Commission for the authority to operate in California.

- **A.21-11-013** / Application of PropSF, LLC (VCC94) for Authorization to Provide Scheduled VCC Service to Treasure Island and to Amend Rates for Prearranged Non-Scheduled Service by Mileage / **03/16/2023 Decision approving application issued.**
- A.22-01-014 / Application of Avalon Freight Services LLC (VCC91) For Authorization to Modify Rates for Its Scheduled Vessel Common Carrier Freight Service Between the Port of Los Angeles, California on the one hand, and Avalon on Santa Catalina Island on the other hand / 03/03/2023 Proposed Decision filed.

- **A.22-05-019** / Neptune Holding Inc.'s Application for Authority to Control Greyhound Lines, Inc. Pursuant to Section 854 of the California Public Utilities Code / **03/24/2023 Motion to dismiss application filed by applicant.**
- A.22-10-013 / In the Matter of the Application of PACIFIC MARITIME GROUP, Inc., a California corporation, doing business as PACIFIC TUGBOATS (VCC-88), For Authorization to Increase Rates on its Vessel Common Carrier Service Operated Out of Los Angeles, Long Beach and Redondo Beach Harbors and Connecting to Avalon, Two Harbors and the Isthmus on Santa Catalina Island and all the Camps and Beaches That Surround Santa Catalina Island / 03/03/2023 Notice of Substitution of Counsel filed by applicant.
- A.22-10-019 / Application of Bill's Bus Inc. (PSC18345) to Amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Increase its Zone of Rate Freedom (ZORF) fares for its existing route and for permission to abandon San Diego Route from San Diego State to Pacific Beach due to lack of staff and financial viability / 03/22/2022 Scoping Ruling issued.
- A.22-10-016 / In the Matter of the Application of Blue & Gold Fleet, L.P. (VCC-77) For Authorization to Increase Passenger Fares on Its Vessel Common Carrier Service On San Francisco Bay Between Sausalito and San Francisco and for Authority to Adjust Fares Within a Zone of Rate Freedom / 03/29/2023 Prehearing Conference held.
- A.22-10-019 / Application of Bill's Bus Inc. (PSC18345) to Amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Increase its Zone of Rate Freedom (ZORF) fares for its existing route and for permission to abandon San Diego Route from San Diego State to Pacific Beach due to lack of staff and financial viability / 03/22/2022 Scoping Ruling issued.
- **A.23-01-012** / Application of ANGEL ISLAND-TIBURON FERRY, INC. (VCC-82) for a General Fare Increase Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 454 and for Authority to Establish a Zone of Rate Freedom / **03/30/2023 Prehearing Conference set for April 17, 2023.**
- A.23-01-018 / Application of Island Boat Service (VCC-80) for Authorization to Increase Passenger Fares on Its Vessel Common Carrier Service Between Vessels and ShorePoints and Between all Points and Places On or Within Three Miles of Santa Catalina Island and For Zone of Rate Freedom / 03/24/2023 Prehearing Conference set for April 12, 2023.

Joint Agency Collaboration/Outreach/Training

Joint Agency Collaboration. Information sharing and collaboration with other transportation agencies is a critical part of TLAB's work.

- Bi-monthly TLAB Staff and CARB Staff coordination meeting on the Clean Miles Standard
- Monthly TLAB and Department of Motor Vehicles Autonomous Vehicles meeting
- Meeting w/ CHP re: Coachella, Stagecoach Festivals
- Meeting w/ Department of Consumer Affairs re: Insurance Filing for Household Goods Movers
- Meeting w/ Department of Motor Vehicles re: Employer Pull Notice Program and enrollment for drivers

Outreach and Education. TLAB provides outreach and education to potential and current carriers through presentations on application fundamentals at venues such as SFO and LAX, and attendance at functions sponsored by transportation-related organizations such as the Greater California Livery Association and the California Bus Association.

- CPED and Executive Director Peterson spoke with the SF Living Wage Coalition and other rideshare driver advocates about their concerns on March 6.
- CPED spoke with the United Kingdom Parliament's Select Committee for Transport about Autonomous Vehicles on March 7.

Training. TLAB managers and staff regularly attend all trainings required by the Commission, as well as trainings for developing work skills and industry-specific trainings. For example:

- Hot Weather Heat training
- New Employee Training
- Supervisory Development Training
- TCT Phase 1-training
- Ethics Training

TRANSPORTATION ENFORCEMENT BRANCH

The Transportation Enforcement Branch (TEB) regulates Charter-Party Carrier of Passengers (TCP) (e.g., limousines, airport shuttles, chartered and scheduled bus operators, Transportation Network Companies (TNC)) and vessels in California to safeguard the public by ensuring compliance with Commission General Orders (GO), Public Utilities (PU) Codes, and other applicable laws and regulations. TEB ensures compliance through investigations, enforcement, proactive compliance inspections, and field surveillance and inspections. TEB also supports a consumer complaint 800 phone line (Transportation Complaint (ca.gov)), and conducts outreach and training activities for passenger carriers, law enforcement, and prosecutors, on regulations that affect passenger carriers.

Consistent with the Commission's Strategic Directives¹ and Enforcement Policy², TEB developed the TEB Safety Management System that is implemented through the following concepts Transportation Safety Assurance, Transportation Risk Management, and Transportation Safety Promotion.

Transportation Safety Management System

TEB reports the following progress for March 2023, for the following program elements.

- Transportation Safety Assurance Assuring that entities the Commission regulates comply with the law and have sufficient training and resources to ensure the safety of the public, their workers, and the environment. For TEB, this includes Investigations, Carrier Inspections, Field Operations, and related Enforcement Activities.
 - > Safety Field Inspections conducted at the following locations:
 - Cross Border Xpress (CBX)
 - > Formal Enforcement Proceedings:
 - I.21-12-001/Uber Technologies, Inc., and Uber Black Sub-carriers/ALJ Stevens/Commissioner Shiroma. On December 2, 2021, the Commission opened an Order Instituting Investigation (OII) to determine whether passenger carriers violated any provisions of the Public Utilities Code or other applicable rules and regulations.
 - ADR was terminated after CPED rejected a counteroffer.
 - ALJ Brian Stevens. On March 8, 2023, CPED and Uber filed separately

¹ <u>CPUCs Strategic Directives (ca.gov)</u>

² <u>CPUC Adopts Enforcement Policy to Promote Maximum Compliance, Transparency, and Public Safety</u> CPED Monthly Activity Report / March 2023

a renewed Motion Requesting Evidentiary Hearings. On March 17, 2023, ALJ Stevens filed a ruling modifying the schedule of the proceeding. On March 20, 2023, Uber filed Supplemental Rebuttal Testimony. On March 27, 2023, Uber filed a Motion to Dismiss.

> TNC Citation:

- **Uber Technologies, Inc.** On March 17, 2023, TEB served citation T.23-03-001 in the amount of \$20,000 for Trade Dress violations.
- Transportation Risk Management Continually identifying, assessing, and reducing operational risks through mitigation measures faced or posed by the entities the CPUC regulates.
 - > Conduct fieldwork data collection via SpotOn Response software for further analysis.
- Transportation Safety Promotion Supporting efforts to assure that the public and regulated transportation entities can make informed choices and know how to respond to unsafe situations. For TEB, this includes Training and Education, Outreach Efforts with Industry and Law Enforcement, and Commission Engagement.

Training and Safety Promotion conducted at the following locations:

Fraud Prevention Fair – Redding, CA

12 Month Enforcement Activity	Apr 2022	May 2022	Jun 2022	Jul 2022	Aug 2022	Sept 2022	Oct 2022	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Total
Open Investigations	66	82	98	90	72	64	80	77	74	76	70	76	N/A
New Investigations	8	7	24	7	3	11	27	8	7	13	10	15	140
Investigations Completed	14	3	7	10	16	24	9	11	12	9	15	23	153
Investigations Open Longer than 6 Months	25	24	27	35	23	32	21	25	25	23	37	20	N/A
% Of investigations Open Longer than 6 Months	38%	29%	28%	39%	32%	50%	26%	32%	32%	30%	52%	26%	N/A
Cease and Desist Notices	14	10	17	12	16	12	20	13	2	4	5	7	132
Warning Letters	6	2	3	4	1	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	22
Telephone Disconnects	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Citations	6	1	5	2	1	0	4	7	1	2	4	2	35
Civil Compromise Actions	7	3	5	12	10	22	13	5	0	1	0	1	79
Vehicle Impounds	6	9	7	9	14	19	13	9	1	0	1	1	89

Table 2. TEB Enforcement Activities

Figure 6. TEB Fines Assessed and Amounts Collected from Investigations April 2022 – March 2023

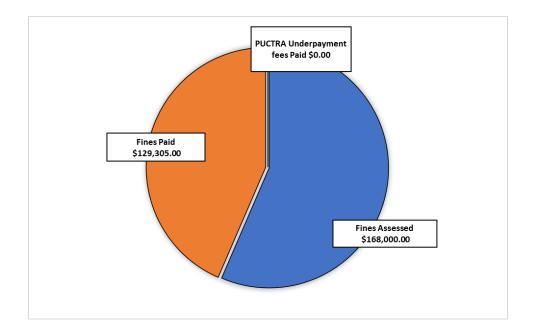


Table 3. Consumer Intake Unit (CIU) Statistics

CIU Statistics	
Open complaints as of March 1, 2023	2
New complaints received during month	15
Subtotal	17
Less: Complaints closed by CIU directly	4
Complaints Referred to Enforcement during month	9
Open CIU complaints as of March 31, 2023	4

Docket No.	Entity	Status
K.22-11-012	Edwin Torres, North Hollywood, unlicensed	On November 10, 2022, appeal was filed. Case assigned to ALJ Robert W. Haga. On December 20, 2022, the case was reassigned to ALJ Jacob Rambo for ADR. The case is still pending, awaiting an appeal hearing date.
K.23-01-021	Ali B Zanjani dba Royalty Limousine (TCP 16194)	On 2/1/23, the Acceptance of Appeal Notice from the Docket Office (Appeal File Date: 1/25/23; Citation T.23-01-001 imposing a \$5,000 fine). A Virtual Evidentiary Hearing took place on 2/28/2023 @ 10AM. No updates waiting for ALJ's decision.

Table 4. Citation Appeal Proceedings

		n Charter-Party CP)	Transportati Comp (TN	anies		ge Corporations PSC)
Month	Observed	Probable Violations	Observed	Probable Violations	Observed	Probable Violations
Mar 2023	79	22	13	6	2	0
Feb 2023	26	10	69	19	0	0
Jan 2023	144	32	110	85	0	0
Dec 2022	72	14	37	20	0	0
Nov 2022	144	28	46	16	0	0
Oct 2022	78	18	321	49	3	0
Sept 2022	79	17	280	31	11	13
Aug 2022	470	23	562	109	0	0
July 2022	208	6	366	45	1	0
June 2022	160	15	500	45	2	0
May 2022	143	7	356	71	2	0
Apr 2022	129	1	510	49	0	0

Table 5. TEB Field Operations – Probable Violations and Observation Summary

Table 6. Joint Operations with Law Enforcement Agencies

Agency	Operation
Cross Border Xpress (CBX)	TCP/TNC/PSC Passenger carrier inspection in San
	Diego.
Helena Police Department (HPD)	TCP/TNC Passenger carrier inspection in Napa.
Secremente Delice Department (CDD)	TCP/TNC Passenger carrier inspection near Golden
Sacramento Police Department (SPD)	1 Center in Sacramento.

UTILITIES ENFORCEMENT BRANCH (UEB)

UEB protects California utility consumers from fraud and abuse by developing enforcement mechanisms and ensuring service providers comply with consumer protection laws and regulations. UEB investigates alleged violations by utilities, including communications (both wireline and wireless), energy (both electric and gas), and water companies. When sufficient evidence of violation is uncovered, UEB brings cases before the Commission to seek appropriate penalties and remedies for consumers.

Monthly Highlights

- **Digital Future (A.22-10-005):** On March 1, 2023, CPED and Digital Future attended a prehearing conference (PHC) scheduled by ALJ Kieuchinh Tran. The PHC addressed issues regarding the status of Digital Future's Motion to Amend the Original Application and the status of the Applicant's response to the ALJ's ruling seeking additional information. CPED protested the application of Digital Future alleging that the applicant violated Rule 1.1 for its failure to disclose a prior bankruptcy filing.
- San Diego Community Power (SDCP) RA Citation Appeal (K.21-11-001): On March 16, 2023, the Commission issued Resolution ALJ-432, denying SDCP's appeal of citation E-4195-0107. The resolution finds that SDCP has not met its burden of rebutting CPED's demonstration that the violation occurred, and that SDCP failed to meet its burden of persuasion that the citation should be reduced or excused.
- **TC Telephone OII (I.22-10-007):** On March 17, 2023, CPED and TC Telephone filed status updates as requested by ALJ Robert Mason to address issues regarding: 1) whether certain scoping issues may be resolved, 2) whether disputed material facts exist that require a hearing, and 3) whether any additional documents exist that should be added to the record. CPED met and conferred with TC Telephone on March 14 after exchanging its respective lists of undisputed facts. CPED informed the ALJ in its status update that it is willing to stipulate to facts related to two scoping issues, believes a hearing is not necessary to litigate disputed facts at this time, and submits staff's investigative report as its opening testimony.
- MetroPCS OII (I.22-04-005): On March 20, 2023, ALJ Mason issued a Ruling ordering CPED and MetroPCS to meet and confer and for MetroPCS to serve supplemental responses to CPED's September 27, 2021 data request. CPED and MetroPCS met and conferred on March 24, 2023 and March 29, 2023 to provide further clarification on information CPED is seeking in its data request.
- Orange County Power Authority (OCPA) RA Citation Appeal (K.22-10-024): On

March 24, 2023, UEB provided its response to OCPA Data Request 2 with the public versions of RA citations ELE-4195-0073 through ELE-4195-0131 pending Legal Division review. On March 30, 2023, UEB provided public versions of RA citations ELE-4195-0073 thru ELE-0131 to OCPA.

Key Activities

UEB is working on a total of 118 cases. Investigations center primarily on CTA Unauthorized Enrollment, Application Review/Protest and Resource Adequacy. UEB's cases come from a variety of sources, with Inter-Division referrals and UEB's own scanning activities playing key roles.

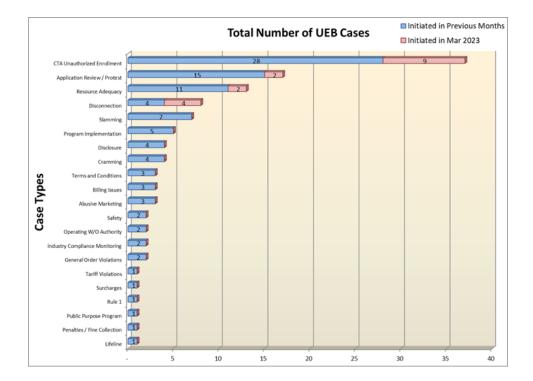


Figure 7. UEB Total Number of Cases by Type as of March 31, 2023

Citations/Fines/Reparation

UEB did not issue any fines, penalties, or citations during the month of March 2023.

Cumulative 2023 fines, reparations and penalties imposed are shown below.

Date	Citations/Fines/ Reparation
Cumulative 2023	\$1,000
March 2023	\$0

Table 7. UEB Fines, Reparations, and Penalties

- **Resource Adequacy (RA) Citation Program:** UEB issues citations and levies fines to enforce Load Serving Entities' (LSE) compliance with system, local, and flexible resource adequacy requirements pursuant to Resolution E-4195, as modified by Decisions 10-06-036, Decisions 10-06-038, 11-06-022, 14-06-050, 19-06-026, and 20-06-031. UEB received two case referrals in March 2023 and they are currently under review.
- **Core Transport Agent (CTA):** UEB reviews CTA-related complaints received by the Commission to enforce compliance with the standards for verification of change in provider requirements in D. 18-02-002, and to identify acts constituting grounds for suspension or revocation of registration pursuant to Pub. Util. Code Section 983.5.

In March, UEB reviewed 393 CTA-related complaints received by the Consumer Affairs Branch (CAB) in February 2023 and identified 64 needing investigation for potential unauthorized enrollment. Staff issued nine data requests for proof of enrollment authorization. UEB received proof of enrollment authorization for 43 customers; 11 customers were enrolled prior to Resolution UEB-003; 2 customers did not have enough information in CIMS to issue the data request; 1 customer was not enrolled with the subject CTA; 1 customer's account was rescinded before service commenced; and 1 customer's account was unable to be identified by the CTA. Staff is waiting on two CTAs to provide its complete responses. As such, staff's investigation for February is ongoing.

Staff issued a data request to Symmetry Energy Solutions, LLC for a customer who complained to Fresno's City Council Vice President regarding an unauthorized enrollment. The CTA informed UEB the customer was enrolled on May 15, 2017, prior to the adoption of the CTA citation program (UEB-003 was adopted on October 25, 2018), therefore, a citation cannot be issued. Staff is drafting a Warning Notice to the CTA regarding the unauthorized enrollment allegation and its duty to obtain the customer's valid proof of authorization prior to switching their gas service.

	CTA-Related Complaints					Cease	
Month Received	Total Reviewed	Unauthorized Enrollment	Data Requests Issued	Proof of Authorization Obtained	Citations Issued	and Desist Letters Issued	
February	393	64	9	43	0	0	

Table 8. UEB CTA-Related Complaints

Compliance with Ordering Paragraphs

There were no new Ordering Paragraphs added to UEB's COPS tracker for the month of March. UEB was responsible for 41 separate Ordering Paragraphs. As of March 2023, 41 of the Ordering Paragraphs (representing 100%) have been complied with, thus none are out of compliance.

Ordering Paragraphs related to UEB's work are attributable to the imposition of fines, adoption of settlements, ordering of consumer refunds or reparation and other remedies and corrective actions, including reporting requirements, resulting from UEB's investigations of violations of law and wrongdoing against consumers.

The numbers reported above tracks compliance with ordering paragraphs assigned to UEB and do not include tracking for compliance with payment of fines, penalties, surcharges, or the like, which are assigned to Fiscal Office under the COPs system. However, UEB staff also tracks such payments separately in our case management system and informs fiscal of any identified issues.

UEB-Related Proceedings

Table 10. UEB-Related Proceedings

R.18-07-005	Order Instituting Rulemaking to Consider New Approaches to Disconnections and Reconnections to	Kelly	Houck
	Improve Energy Access and Contain Costs.		
K.19-03-024	Appeal of San Jose Clean Energy to Citation E-4195- 0052 issued on February 27, 2019 by the Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division.	Kim	N/A
K.21-03-005	Appeal of San Diego Community Power to citation E- 4195-98 issued on February 3, 2021 by Consumer Protection & Enforcement Division.	Golberg	N/A
К.21-03-006	Appeal of Western Community Energy to citation E- 4195-99 issued on February 9, 2021 by Consumer Protection & Enforcement Division.	Wercinski	N/A
K.21-11-018	Appeal of Shell Energy North America to citation E- 4195-113 issued on October 21, 2021 by Consumer Protection & Enforcement Division.	Wercinski	N/A
K.22-05-017	Appeal of Orange County Power Authority to citation E-4195-116 issued on April 20, 2022 by Consumer Protection & Enforcement Division.	Petersen	N/A
1.22-04-005	Order Instituting Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion into MetroPCS California LLC Failure to Remit Prepaid Mobile Telephony Service Surcharges and User Fees	Mason	Houck
1.22-10-007	Order Instituting Investigation into the Operations and Practices of TC Telephone and Order to Show Cause to Determine Whether Respondents Violated the Laws, Rules, and Regulations Governing the California Universal LifeLine Program	Mason	Shiroma
K.22-10-024	Appeal of Orange County Power Authority to citation E-4195-125 issued on September 16, 2022 by Consumer Protection & Enforcement Division.	Zhang	N/A
K.22-11-007	Appeal of Constellation New Energy to citation E- 4195-130 issued on October 7, 2022 by Consumer Protection & Enforcement Division.	Zhang	N/A

A.22-02-020	Application of Dagobah Systems, Inc., dba Dagobah Communications Systems, Inc. for Registration as an Interexchange Carrier Telephone Corporation pursuant to the Provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 1013.	Melvin	Reynolds
A.22-10-005	Application of Digital Future UUC LLC for Registration as an Interexchange Carrier Telephone Corporation Pursuant to the Provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 1013.	Tran	Shiroma
A.22-11-011	Application of Kloud Communications, Inc. for Registration as an Interexchange Carrier Telephone Corporation pursuant to the Provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 1013.	Wilson	Shiroma

Outreach/Training/Other Activities

State National Action Plan (SNAP): On March 16, 2023 the FCC gave a presentation on the Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (IAC) Reauthorization Public Notice. The mission of the IAC is to provide aid to the FCC on the many telecommunications issues affecting local, state, and Tribal governments that are within the jurisdiction of the FCC. The duties of the IAC may include providing guidance to the Commission, gathering data and information, aiding the agency on outreach when needed, and performing analyses the FCC deems necessary to respond to the questions or matters before it. The IAC is composed of elected officials of municipal, county, state, and Tribal governments. The IAC is currently seeking nominations for the committee.