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## Charting Path to 100% Clean Electricity

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), the California Energy Commission (CEC), and the California Air Resources Board (CARB) have released the first [joint agency report](#) examining how California's electricity system can become carbon free by 2045.

The report is the initial analysis called for in Senate Bill (SB) 100 (De León, 2018), the state's landmark policy requiring that renewable and zero-carbon energy resources supply 100 percent of electric retail sales to customers by 2045. The bill was signed into law in 2018 and calls for these resources to replace fossil fuels for generating electricity in the state.

The 178-page report finds that the goals of SB 100 can be achieved in different ways, but reaching them will require significant investments in new and existing technologies and an increased, sustained build-out of clean energy projects to bring new resources online. The report modeled various scenarios to examine sample paths to carbon-free energy. It will be followed with additional analyses of energy reliability and evolving conditions.

Highlights from the report include the following:

- To reach the 2045 target while electrifying other sectors to meet the state's economywide climate goals, California will need to roughly triple its current electricity grid capacity.
- California will need to sustain its expansion of clean electricity generation



capacity at a record-breaking rate for the next 25 years. On average, the state may need to build up to 6 gigawatts (GW) of new renewable and storage resources annually. By comparison over the last decade, the state has built on average 1 GW of utility solar and 300 megawatts (MW) of wind per year. Over the next three years, electricity providers regulated by the CPUC will add another 8 GW of clean energy resources.

- In addition to social benefits such as less air pollution and improved public health, transitioning to a carbon-free electric system will also create thousands of jobs such as manufacturing and installing wind turbines and solar panels and developing new clean energy technologies.
- Modeling of the core scenario for achieving 100 percent clean electricity showed a 6 percent increase in total

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# Modernizing the Electric Grid

For more than 100 years, California's electric grid operated in much the same way: large power plants fueled by coal, hydro, or natural gas—and later, nuclear power—generated electricity that was distributed up and down the state through a more or less centralized grid.

As technology developed and added new types of energy resources and customer demands changed, the grid needed to evolve to enable these distributed energy resources (DERs) to connect to the grid and communicate real-time data for grid operation decisions.

Starting in 2008, the CPUC embarked on what was characterized at the time as a momentous path toward modernizing the state's electric grid from one grounded in industrial age technology to one running on the technology of the information age.

This more modern, advanced communications-equipped electric grid with DERs came to be known as the Smart Grid. The CPUC has been providing annual reports on the progress of these grid modernization efforts to the Governor and Legislature, as prescribed by statute, since 2011.

Once known as the Smart Grid Annual Report, this year's update has been re-branded as [California's Grid Modernization Report](#). The new title reflects a more expansive update on efforts related to the diverse array of DERs and smart grid technologies, which play a part in grid modernization. DERs include electric vehicles, small-scale units of local electricity generation such as rooftop solar, utility-scale battery energy storage, microgrids, and demand response connected to the grid, where the power distributes to customers as well as to the utility companies.

The benefits of a more modern grid are greater customer choice for sources and uses of energy, more local sources of energy, cleaner energy supplies, continued electric reliability and safety across all resources tied to the grid, bidding reduced electricity use at the market scale (also known as demand response), and potentially fewer new transmission lines crisscrossing the state to serve California's electricity needs.

This year's Grid Modernization Report, published in February, spotlights the significant progress made in 2020 including:

- New rates, tariffs, pilot incentive programs, and rules to facilitate commercialization of microgrids across California, which helps make communities more resilient against electricity shutoff events;
- Strategies to procure back-up power in advance of wildfire season;
- A new emergency summer reliability proceeding to consider demand response and other energy supply solutions for implementation before summer 2021 and any heat wave;
- Measures to accelerate electric vehicle and infrastructure deployment, including the single largest utility investment in transportation electrification to date for Southern California Edison to spend \$436 million for 37,800 new electric vehicle chargers and putting low carbon fuel standard credit revenue towards equity and resiliency projects;

- New time-of-use rate structures to encourage more commercial electric vehicle customers in San Diego Gas & Electric's (SDG&E) territory;
- Approval of 1,207 megawatts of new investor-owned utility storage procurement, the most ever in a single year. When fully charged, this can meet California's peak demand for four hours; it is the equivalent of more than half the capacity of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, the state's largest nuclear power plant; and,
- Renewed investment in electricity research, development, and deployment projects that better connect ratepayer-funded projects with current and emerging policy issues in equity, wildfire mitigation, transportation electrification, and utility Public Safety Power Shutoffs.

"Grid modernization policies and utility projects deployed in 2020 continue to advance California's bold energy and climate goals," CPUC President Marybel Batjer writes in a letter that opens the report. "In the past year, the CPUC continued to make great strides toward a modern, safe, clean, and reliable electric grid through numerous grid modernization policy developments."

Her letter also cites how grid modernization projects invest in enhancing safety, reliability, and resiliency of California communities.

"The utilities' wildfire safety related investments," she details, "include grid hardening measures like installing covered conductors, steel poles, and selective undergrounding of power lines; operating supervisory control and data acquisition technology to remotely disable reclosing devices to reduce the risk of contact-related ignitions; and using distribution sectionalizing devices, transmission line switching, and microgrids with backup generation to reduce the impact of utility Public Safety Power Shutoffs. These efforts will help us chart a path toward building a stronger, more resilient grid that can meet the state's ambitious clean energy future."

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## California's Grid Modernization Report 2020



# CPUC Approves New PG&E Microgrid Program for Most Vulnerable Communities

Senate Bill 1339, (Stern, 2018), directed the CPUC, in consultation with the California Energy Commission and the California Independent System Operator, to work on programs to improve the commercialization of microgrids as a way to improve electricity resiliency and reliability across the state.

A microgrid is defined in the bill as “an interconnected system of loads and energy resources, including, but not limited to, distributed energy resources, energy storage, demand response tools, or other management, forecasting, and analytical tools, appropriately sized to meet customer needs, within a clearly defined electrical boundary that can act as a single, controllable entity, and can connect to, disconnect from, or run in parallel with, larger portions of the electrical grid, or can be managed and isolated to withstand larger disturbances and maintain electrical supply to connected critical infrastructure.”

The CPUC took a key step on the issue last June when it approved a [Decision](#) requiring the state’s large electric investor-owned utilities to accelerate deployment of microgrids and resiliency projects to minimize the impacts of wildfire-caused power outages and utility Public Safety Power Shutoff events.

Now, following up with passage of a microgrids-related resolution at its March 18, 2021 Voting Meeting, the CPUC



took action that enables Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to implement a new microgrid program to support local governments and tribes to provide resiliency in the event of utility outages.

[PG&E’s Community Microgrids Enablement Program](#) will provide technical support and project management to help communities plan and implement their own microgrid projects, thereby promoting public health and welfare in preparation for wildfire and potential grid outages.

Local and tribal governments developing community microgrids serving multiple critical facilities located in outage-

prone areas are eligible for the program. PG&E will provide technical support to communities, including project scoping, project design guidance, and a dedicated PG&E project management office to provide support for projects.

One-time matching funds of up to \$27 million annually for 2021 and 2022 are available as matching grants to defray the cost of special facilities or distribution system upgrades. The program reserves one-third of the total budget, or \$9 million per year, for communities meeting the definition of disadvantaged and vulnerable communities, with an opportunity to increase this reserved amount if needed. ■

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The report’s conclusion outlines the tangible benefits to ratepayers of California’s grid modernization policies.

“Several demand response programs operate and perform as cost-effective energy resources,” the report notes. “Intermittent, renewable energy generation produces tens of thousands of gigawatt-hours (GWh) of California’s daily electricity use at competitive prices. Energy storage resources interconnect and contribute to distribution and transmission grid reliability and support integration of clean renewable resources. Customers have multiple time-of-use rate options that provide price signals to encourage shifting energy

consumption to times when energy is less expensive and causes less pollution. Utilities and communities are developing microgrids and other resiliency projects to serve local needs when the larger grid shuts off for safety or emergencies.”

The report goes on to say that, based on reports submitted by the utilities, their deployed grid modernization projects realized “nearly \$1 billion in benefits in the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year.” Most of the benefit dollars calculate from converting avoided outage minutes to customers (an electric grid reliability metric), to a monetary value. ■

# GET TO KNOW US:

## Meet Juanita Hill



**“I enjoy overcoming challenges. There is always going to be something coming, but I am a very positive person because it promotes positive energy and more happiness in life.”**

Juanita Hill, Supervisor,  
Public Advisor's Office

Reflecting on her two decades at the CPUC, Juanita Hill says she could not have chosen a more challenging time to accept a job as a Consumer Affairs Representative.

Currently a supervisor with the News and Outreach Office's Public Advisor team, Juanita came to the CPUC in 2001 after 20 years in customer services for what is now AT&T. When she started, California was dealing with a debilitating electricity crisis.

“We had the Enron scandal, the PG&E bankruptcy, blackouts,” she recalls. “The phones were literally ringing off the hook. I had to quickly learn about electricity. All you could do was to get on the phone and do your best to help people.”

She questioned the move for a while, but her positive attitude helped her persevere.

“I wanted to work for the CPUC because I used to interact with the CPUC when I was a manager at the phone company,” Juanita says. “We knew the CPUC well and were actually afraid of them. We had a lot of respect for what they did and always tried to make sure we were complying with all the regulations.”

A native of upstate New York, Juanita earned a degree in Sociology from the State University of New York at New Paltz and a bachelor's degree in Business and Management from Redlands University in Southern California. Her professional career began back home as a social worker helping low-income residents find free services. “That was a rewarding experience,” she says, “but I wanted something different when I moved to California.”

Juanita and her team help organize the CPUC's many public meetings, including Public Participation Hearings where members of the public can comment on issues being considered by Commissioners.

“We need to know what's going on and understand what the CPUC is working on,”

she says. “Our department also works with the utilities because we review and approve the bill inserts that go to consumers. Anything with public participation, we get involved with.”

Like everyone, Juanita's routine was upended by the pandemic. Her team had to quickly find ways to organize remote meetings and make it easy for the public to participate.

“The toughest part of that was having to quickly learn all the technology that goes into making sure virtual meetings go well,” she says. “There are many behind-the-scenes pieces people don't see or realize.”

Working at home—she lives in the San Fernando Valley of Los Angeles—was challenging at first, but Juanita says she now prefers it.

“I would get up earlier than usual and start working and would work until later than usual and forget to take a break,” she adds. “But I love it. I can actually get more done at home than at work where my hours would have been shorter due to traveling to and from the office.”

When she is not working, Juanita loves spending time with her grandchildren and likes to sew and travel. And she shares her love of sports with her sports-minded husband and two daughters. One played collegiate volleyball, the other collegiate basketball.

As for the challenges of working on difficult public policy issues that come before the CPUC, Juanita is philosophical.

“I enjoy overcoming challenges,” she says. “There is always going to be something coming, but I am a very positive person because it promotes positive energy and more happiness in life. And I like putting my people in the forefront because I know if they're doing a good job, that means I did a good job. If they're not doing a good job, that means there's more I need to do.” ■

# THE DOCKET:

## Proceedings Filed at the CPUC February – March 2021

PROCEEDING NUMBER | FILED DATE | FILER

### C2101001 | 21-DEC.-2020 | THE OCEANA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The Oceana Community Association, Complainant, vs. San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902E), Defendant, for Relief from Violation of Tariff Rule 16.

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### K2101019 | 04-JAN.-2021 | ABOUT TIME LIMOUSINES, LLC

Citation Appeal of About Time Limousines, LLC from Case Number PSG 5133 in the amount of \$4,000 issued by the California Public Utilities Commission Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=368055548>

### K2102001 | 11-JAN.-2021 | GETU A BOGALE

Citation Appeal of (A) Getu A Bogale from (B) F-5729 January 6, 2021 In the amount of (C) \$2,000.00 issued by the California Public Utilities Commission Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division

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### C2101018 | 29-JAN-2021 | MYRIAM P MORRIS

Myriam Morris, Complainant vs. California American Water Company (U210W), Defendant. [Charging allegation is billing error.]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=362876291>

### R2008021 | 1-FEB.-2021 | CMMR/GUZMAN ACEVES/CPUC

Proposed Decision Modifying Data Submission Requirements and Requiring Open Access for California Advanced Services Fund Projects.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=362876284>

### A2008002 | 1-FEB.-2021 | ALJ/LARSEN/CPUC

Proposed Decision approving Stipulation regarding PacifiCorp's 2021 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Allowance Program Costs and Climate Credits.

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annual electricity system costs by 2045, compared to the estimated cost of achieving 60 percent renewable electricity by 2030.

- Advancements in emerging technologies, increased demand flexibility, and cost declines in existing technologies may decrease the total electricity resource requirements and implementation costs. These topics, along with reliability, will be examined more closely in future analyses.
- A clean electricity grid is necessary to achieve economywide carbon neutrality. Using clean electricity to power transportation, buildings, and industrial operations helps decarbonize these sectors of the economy, which, along with electricity generation, account for 92 percent of the state's carbon emissions.

California has already made significant progress toward a clean-energy future. Due to many efforts that promote renewable energy, energy efficiency and the storage

technologies needed to retire fossil fuel resources, the state's electricity mix is already more than 60 percent carbon free. About 36 percent of that comes from renewable sources, predominantly wind and solar.

The report was developed using computer modeling and incorporates existing studies; the state's energy, climate, equity, and public health priorities; and information gathered through a yearlong series of public workshops throughout the state.

Although the report examines the challenges and opportunities for a carbon-free electricity system, the three agencies highlight that it is only a first step in an ongoing effort. The agencies also note that costs, performance, and innovations in zero-carbon technologies will change over the next 25 years.

### Additional Multiagency Actions

The CPUC, the CEC, and the California Independent System Operator are implementing actions to prevent electricity

shortages and ensure delivery of clean, reliable, and affordable energy in response to the August 2020 extreme heat wave. Among the actions are expediting the regulatory and procurement processes to develop additional resources that can be online by summer 2021 and ensuring that the generation and storage projects under construction are completed as scheduled.

This year, CARB will also begin the process to update the Assembly Bill 32 Climate Change Scoping Plan, which will assess progress towards reducing GHG emissions 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 and chart the path to carbon neutrality by 2045. The SB 100 report is one of the foundational reports that will inform the development of the next scoping plan. The CARB board will consider acting on the scoping plan in late 2022. ■

**R1005004 | 2-FEB.-2021 | CMMR/RECHTSCHAFFEN/CPUC**

Proposed Decision Approving Joint Petition for Modification of Decision 11-09-015 Concerning Self-Generation Incentive Program Requirements.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=362898830>

**C2102008 | 02-FEB.-2021 | BARCO ENGINEERING INC.,**

Barco Engineering Inc., Complainant, vs. Southern California Edison Company, (U338E), Defendant, for Relief from Improper Denial of Electricity Service.

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**R1211005 | 3-FEB.-2021 | CMMR/RECHTSCHAFFEN/CPUC**

Proposed Decision Approving Joint Petition for Modification of Decision 15-06-002 Concerning Self-Generation Incentive Program Requirements.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=363013388>

**A2102002 | 03-FEB.-2021 | KARUK TRIBE**

Application of Karuk Tribe (U7235C) to Expand its Existing Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity [A,12-02-018] to include Full Facilities-Based Authority

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=363790726>

**A2102003 | 03-FEB.-2021 | THE PONDEROSA TELEPHONE CO.**

Application of The Ponderosa Telephone Co.(U1014C) For an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Notes in an Amount Not Exceeding \$17,225,000 And Execution of A Related Agreement and Supplemental Security Agreements.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=363969898>

**A2012007 | 4-FEB.-2021 | ALJ/WERCINSKI/CPUC**

Proposed Decision approving recovery of 2020 Energy Resource Recovery Account undercollection.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=363972148>

**A2102004 | 04-FEB.-2021 | ZENITH ENERGY WEST COAST TERMINALS LLC**

Application by Zenith Energy West Coast Terminals LLC for Approval of a Sale and Lease-Back Transaction Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 851.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=363969904>

**C2102005 | 04-FEB.-2021 | GINA FAVALORO**

Gina Favalaro, Complainant vs. Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39E), Defendant, for relief from Billing Errors. (HARD COPY FILING)  
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**A2007005 | 03-JULY-2020 (REOPENED) | CITY OF SAN DIEGO, TRANSPORTATION**

Petition for Modification of Decision 21-01-013 | Application of City of San Diego to Construct a new At-Grade Crossing at Fenton Parkway in the City of San Diego on San Diego Metropolitan Transit System's (MTS) Green Old Town to La Mesa Trolley Line at MP 8.69 (Proposed CPUC Crossing No. 081MV-8.69-D).

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=363790932>

**A2102006 | 04-FEB.-2021 | ONE RING NETWORKS, INC.**

Application of One Ring Networks, Inc. (U1610C) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Full Facilities-Based and Resold Competitive Local Exchange and Non-Dominant Interexchange Service and Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in California.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=364582200>

**A2102007 | 04-FEB.-2021 | GIGAMONSTER NETWORKS, LLC**

Application of GigaMonster Networks, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Limited Facilities-Based and Resold Competitive Local Exchange and Interexchange Service.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=364582352>

**A2102009 | 05-FEB.-2021 | JAMES HANKINS**

In the Matter of the Application of James Hankins, an individual, d/b/a Hankins Information Technology, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide full facilities-based and resold competitive local exchange service throughout the service territories of Pacific Bell Telephone Company, Frontier California, Inc., Frontier Communications of the Southwest, Inc., Consolidated Communications a statewide basis. of California Company, and Citizens Telecommunications

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=365301522>

**A2102010 | 08-FEB.-2021 | CALIFORNIA HIGH SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY**

Application of the California High-Speed Rail Authority for Approval to Construct One Underpass Grade-Separated Crossing at 7th Road (MP 223.96), Under Two Proposed High-Speed Rail Tracks As Part of the Proposed High-Speed Rail Grade-Separated Structure, Hanford Viaduct, Located in the County of Kings, State of California.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=364582630>

**A2102011 | 09-FEB.-2021 | CALIFORNIA HIGH SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY**

| Application of the California High-Speed Rail Authority for Approval to Construct One Underpass Grade-Separated Crossing at Lacey Boulevard (MP 223.92), Under Two Proposed High-Speed Rail Tracks As Part of the Proposed High-Speed Rail Grade-Separated Structure,

Hanford Viaduct, Located in the County of Kings, State of California.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=364582418>

**A2102012 | 09-FEB.-2021 | CALIFORNIA HIGH SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY**

Application of the California High-Speed Rail Authority for Approval to construct One New Grade Separated Crossing, Under the Proposed High-Speed Rail Tracks at SR198 (MP 223.94) as Part of the Proposed High-Speed Rail Grade-Separated Structure, Hanford Viaduct, Located in the County of Kings, State of California.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=364582308>

**A2102013 | 09-FEB.-2021 | JOHN GRIER**

Application of Mr. John D. Grier for Authority to Sell and Transfer and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. to Acquire Control of Crimson California Pipeline, L.P. (PLC-26) and San Pablo Bay Pipeline Company, LLC (PLC-29) Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 854.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=365301523>

**R2102014 | 11-FEB.-2021 | CPUC**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Address Energy Utility Customer Bill Debt Accumulated During the COVID-19 Pandemic.

<http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?docformat=ALL&docid=362157919>

**A2005010 | 12-FEB.-2021 | ALJ/WERCINSKI/CPUC**

Proposed Decision approving corporate restructuring of applicants Frontier Communications Corporation, Frontier California Inc., Citizens Telecommunications Company of California Inc., et al, with conditions. Opening comments are due no later than March 4, 2021. Reply comments are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=365312888>

**A1807001 | 12-FEB.-2021 | ALJ/FERGUSON/CPUC**

This decision modifies Ordering Paragraphs 24 and 25 of Decision 20-12-007 to clarify the limit on the number of advanced metering infrastructure installations California Water Service Company may make in the aggregate in three of its water districts, Bear Gulch, Los Altos and Redwood Valley.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=365447137>

**A1807001 | 02-JULY-2018 (REOPENED) | CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY**

Proposed Decision modifying Ordering Paragraph 24 and 25 of Decision 20-12-007 | In the Matter of the Application of CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY (U-60-W), a California corporation, for an order (1) authorizing it to increase rates for water service by

\$50,673,500 or 7.6% in test year 2020, (2) authorizing it to increase rates on January 1, 2021 by \$31,461,900 or 4.4% and on January 1, 2022 \$33,000,700 or 4.4% in accordance with the Rate Case Plan, and (3) adopting other related rulings and relief necessary to implement the Commission's ratemaking policies.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=365447137>

**A1910012 | 16-FEB.-2021 | ALJ/GOLDBERG/CPUC**

Proposed Decision Authorizing San Diego & Electric Company's Power Your Drive Extension Electric Vehicle Charging Program.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=365301784>

**A2102016 | 16-FEB.-2021 | CAL ADVOCATES/ANGELA WUERTH/CPUC**

Application for Rehearing of Resolution E-5073.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=366566603>

**A2102015 | 17-FEB.-2021 | STAR AND CRESCENT BOAT COMPANY**

In the Matter of the Application of Star & Crescent Boat Company, a California corporation, doing business as Flagship Cruises & Events (VCC-63), For Authorization of a Passenger Fare Increase on Its Vessel Common Carrier Service on San Diego Bay Between the City of Coronado and the City of San Diego.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=366442149>

**A2102017 | 18-FEB.-2021 | SIERRA TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**

Application of Sierra Telephone Company, Inc. (U1016C) for an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Notes in an Amount Not Exceeding \$40,228,000 And Execution of A Related Agreement and Supplemental Security Agreements.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=366583881>

**A2102018 | 19-FEB.-2021 | LS POWER GRID CALIFORNIA, LLC**

Application of LS Power Grid California, LLC for a Permit to Construct the Gates 500 kV Dynamic Reactive Support Project.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=367037975>

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=367037435>

**A2102019 | 23-FEB.-2021 | SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WATER CO.**

In the Matter of the Application of San Gabriel Valley Water Company (337W) for Authorization to Issue and Sell Bonds, Notes, or Other Evidence of Indebtedness Not to Exceed \$100,000,000.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=367038417>

**A2102020 | 24-FEB.-2021 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**

In the Matter of the Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Authority to Issue Recovery Bonds for Fire Risk Mitigation Expenditures Pursuant to Article 5.8 of the California Public Utilities Code. (U39E)

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=367037478>

**I1704019 A1804002 | 27-APRIL-2017 (REOPENED) | CPUC**

Petition For Modification Of Decision 20-02-025 | Order Instituting Investigation to determine whether PacifiCorp (U901-E) engages in least-cost planning on a control area basis and whether PacifiCorp's Inter-Jurisdictional Cost Allocation Protocol results in just and reasonable rates in California. [CONSOLIDATION NOTE: Per Scoping Ruling dated 7-19-2018, A.18-04-002 and I.17-04-019 are consolidated. GML]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=365301705>

**A2103008 | 1-MARCH-2021 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Compliance Review of Utility Owned Generation Operations, Portfolio Allocation Balancing Account Entries, Energy Resource Recovery Account Entries, Contract Administration, Economic Dispatch of Electric Resources, Utility Owned Generation Fuel Procurement, and Other Activities for the Record Period Jan. 1 Through Dec. 31, 2020. (U39E)

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=371245290>

**C2103003 | 04-MARCH-2021 | MARGARET ABELE**

Margaret Abele, Complainant vs. Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39E), Defendant. [Charging allegation is improper electric grid operation interfering with solar PV system operation]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=369691873>

**R2103001 | 04-MARCH-2021 | CPUC**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Set Wildfire Fund Non-Bypassable Charge in 2022 and 2023.

<http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?docformat=ALL&docid=364369121>

**R2103002 | 04-MARCH-2021 | CPUC**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Update Surcharge Mechanisms to Ensure Equity and Transparency of Fees, Taxes and Surcharges Assessed on Customers of Telecommunications Services in California.

<http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?docformat=ALL&docid=368828574>

**A1807024 | 31-JULY-2018 (REOPENED) | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY**

Joint Petition For Modification Of Decision 20-02-045 | Application Of Southern California Gas Company (U904G) and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902G) for authority to revise their natural gas

rates and implement storage proposals effective January 1, 2020 in this Triennial Cost Allocation Proceeding.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=368054973>

**R2011003 | 5-MARCH-2021 | ALJ/STEVENS/CPUC**

Proposed Decision directing Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company to take actions to prepare for potential extreme weather in the summers of 2021 and 2022.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=369286360>

**K2103005 | 05-MARCH-2021 | SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY POWER**

Appeal of San Diego Community Power from Citation No.E-4195-0098 issued February 3, 2021, by Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=370429079>

**C2103004 | 08-MARCH-2021 | BRYAN LEDYARD**

Bryan Ledyard, Complainant vs. Frontier Communications of America Inc. d/b/a Frontier Communications (U1548C); Frontier Communications of America, Inc. d/b/a Citizens Long Distance (U5429C); And Frontier Communications Online & LD (U7167C), Defendants. [Charging allegation is billing error]

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**A1911023 | 9-MARCH-2021 | ALJ/FORTUNE/CPUC**

Proposed Decision approving in part Golden State Water Company's Petition for Modification of Decision 20-05-010.

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**C2103014 | 10-MARCH-2021 | PATTY NESBIT**

Patty Nesbit, Complainant vs. Southern California Edison Company (U338E), Defendant. [Charging allegation is for overbilling].

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**R1803011 | 10-MARCH-2021 | CMMR/BATJER/CPUC**

Miscellaneous | Quasi-legislative | 19298 | Proposed Decision Adopting COVID-19 Disconnection Moratorium For Medium-Large Commercial and Industrial Electric and Natural Gas Customers.

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**R1111007 | 10-MARCH-2021 | CMMR/GUZMAN ACEVES/CPUC**

| Proposed Decision Adopting Broadband Imputation in the General Rate Cases of the Small Independent Local Exchange Carriers.

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**R0610006 | 10-MARCH-2021 | CMMR/RECHTSCHAFFEN/CPUC**

This decision adopts the existing Commission staff-developed process for the Commission's ongoing application of the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act to Commission-jurisdictional telecommunications carriers.

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**A2003018 | 11-MARCH-2021 | ALJ/SISTO/CPUC**

Proposed Decision granting Intervenor Compensation to The Protect Our Communities Foundation for contribution to Resolution WSD-001.

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**K2103006 | 11-MARCH-2021 | WESTERN COMMUNITY ENERGY**

Appeal of Western Community Energy to Citation No. E-4195-0099, issued on February 9, 2021, by the Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=370289674>

**A1909011 | 12-MARCH-2021 | ALJ/GLEGOLA/CPUC**

Proposed Decision granting PropSF, LLC authority to offer unscheduled vessel common carrier boat service.

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**A2103007 | 15-MARCH-2021 | SMALL BUSINESS UTILITY ADVOCATES**

Application of Small Business Utility Advocates for Award of Intervenor Compensation for Substantial Contribution to Resolution E-5073.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=371245255>

**A2103009 | 15-MARCH-2021 | STARLINK SERVICES, LLC**

In the Matter of the Application of Starlink Services, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate as a Full Facilities-Based and Resale Competitive Local Exchange Carrier throughout the service territories of Pacific Bell Telephone Company, Frontier California, Inc., Frontier Communications of the Southwest, Inc., Consolidated Communications of California Company, and Citizens Telecommunications Company of California, Inc. and Full Facilities-Based and Resale Interexchange Carrier on a statewide basis, and for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

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**R2103010 | 18-MARCH-2021 | CPUC**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Revise General Order 156 to Include Certain Electric Service Providers and Community Choice Aggregators and Encourage Voluntary Participation by Other Non-Utility Entities Pursuant to Senate Bill 255; Consider LGBT Business Enterprise Voluntary Target Procurement Percentage Goals; Incorporate Disabled Business Enterprises; Modify the Required

Reports and Audits; and Update Other Related Matters.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Published/G000/M371/K108/371108578.PDF>

**R2103011 | 18-MARCH-2021 | CPUC**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Implement Senate Bill 520 and Address Other Matters Related to Provider of Last Resort.

[https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=2019202005B520](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2019202005B520)

**A1710007 ET AL. | 19-MARCH-2021 | ALJ/LAKHANPAL/LIRAG/CPUC**

Proposed Decision Regarding San Diego Gas And Electric Company's And Southern California Gas Company's Post Test Year Mechanism For 2022 And 2023. Opening Comments, which shall not exceed 25 pages, are due on April 8, 2021. Reply Comments, which shall not exceed 5 pages, are due 5 days for filing Opening Comments.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=372082634>

**A2103012 | 22-MARCH-2021 | WILD GOOSE STORAGE, LLC**

Joint Application of Wild Goose Storage, LLC (U911G) and Lodi Gas Storage, L.L.C. (U912G) for an Order Pursuant to Sections 829 and 853 of the Public Utilities Code to Exempt from Commission Authorization the encumbrance of the Assets of Wild Goose Storage, LLC and Lodi Gas Storage, L.L.C. And the Issuance of a Corporate Guarantee and For a Continuing Exemption, Or in the alternative for Authorization for The Same Relief Under Sections 830 and 851.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=372525731>

**A2004023 | 23-MARCH-2021 | ALJ/HAGA/CPUC**

Proposed Decision approving the application of Stress Test Methodology to Pacific Gas and Electric Company. Opening comments are due no later than April 12, 2021. Reply comments are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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**A2103013 | 25-MARCH-2021 | GTCR ONVOY HOLDINGS, LLC**

In the Matter of the Joint Application of GTCR Onvoy Holdings, LLC, Transferor, Onvoy, LLC (U6487C), Broadvox-CLEC, LLC (U7160C), ANPI Business, LLC (U6418C), ANPI, LLC (U5795C), Neutral Tandem-California, LLC (U6877C), Licensees, And Sinch US Holding Inc., Transferee, for Approval to Transfer Indirect Control of Licensees to Transferee Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 854(a).

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**A2005010 | 26-MARCH-2021 | ALJ/WERCINSKI/CPUC**

Proposed Decision approving corporate restructuring of Frontier Communications Corporations et al., with conditions. Pursuant to Rule 14.6(b).

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**K2012019 | 19-DEC.-2020 (REOPENED WEEK OF MARCH 22)  
| INTERNATIONAL TELCOM LLC (U-5964-C)**

Appeal of International Telcom U-5964-C from Citation CD-2020-11-037 issued 11/16/2020 in the amount of \$1,000 issued by the California Public Utilities Commission Communications Division.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=371694442>

**R1503011 | 26-MARCH-2015 (REOPENED WEEK OF MARCH 22)  
| CPUC**

17-04-039. Order Instituting Rulemaking to consider policy and implementation refinements to the Energy Storage Procurement Framework and Design Program (D.13-10-040, D.14-10-045) and related Action Plan of the California Energy Storage Roadmap.  
<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=372332171>

**A2005010 | 22-MAY-2020 (REOPENED WEEK OF MARCH 22)  
| FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS**

Ruling regarding stipulation to shorten time for public review and

comment. Application of Frontier Communications Corporation, Frontier California Inc. (U1002C), Citizens Telecommunications Company of California Inc. (U1024C), Frontier Communications of the Southwest Inc. (U1026C), Frontier Communications Online and Long Distance Inc. (U7167C), Frontier Communications of America, Inc. (U5429C) for Determination that Corporate Restructuring is Exempt from or Compliant with Public Utilities Code Section 854.  
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**A1812009 | 13-DEC.-2018 (REOPENED WEEK OF MARCH 22)  
| PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**

Petition for modification of Decision 20-12-005. Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Authority, Among Other Things, to Increase Rates and Charges for Electric and Gas Service Effective on January 1, 2020. (U39M)  
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**A2008004 | 29-MARCH-21 | ALJ/SISTO/CPUC**

Proposed Decision granting Intervenor Compensation to the Mussey Grade Rod Alliance for contribution to Resolutions WSD-002, WSD-003, WSD-004, and WSD-005. Opening comments, which shall not exceed 15 pages, are due no later than April 18, 2021. Reply comments, which shall not exceed 5 pages, are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.  
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**R1706026 | 29-MARCH-21 | ALJ/ATAMTURK/CPUC**

Proposed Decision granting Intervenor Compensation to Protect Our Communities Foundation for substantial contribution to Decision 19-10-001. Opening comments, which shall not exceed 15 pages, are due no later than April 18, 2021. Reply comments, which shall not exceed 5 pages, are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.  
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**R1503010 | 30-MARCH-21 | ALJ/FOGEL/CPUC**

Proposed Decision approving Intervenor Compensation for Self Help Enterprises. Opening comments, which shall not exceed 15 pages, are due no later than April 19, 2021. Reply comments, which shall not exceed 5 pages, are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.  
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**A2104001 | 1-APRIL-2021 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY**

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for a Commission Finding that its Procurement-Related and Other Operations for the Record Period January 1 Through December 31, 2020 Complied with its Adopted Procurement Plan; for Verification of its Entries in the Energy Resource Recovery Account and Other

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**A1308002 ET AL. | 1-APRIL-21 | ALJ/KLINE/CPUC**

Proposed Decision modifying Decision 19-04-016, Attachment A. Opening comments, which shall not exceed 15 pages, are due no later than April 21, 2021. Reply comments, which shall not exceed 5 pages, are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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**C2010020 | 1-APRIL-2021 | ALJ/JUNGREIS/CPUC**

Presiding Officer's Decision ordering Southern California Edison Company to pay Mathis Brothers Furniture \$30,718.89 for Net Energy Metering credits. Any party to this adjudicatory proceeding may file and serve an Appeal of the Presiding Officer's Decision within 30 days of the date of issuance of this decision. Any Commissioner may request review of the Presiding Officer's Decision by filing and serving a Request for Review within 30 days of the date of issuance. Any party may file and serve a Response to an Appeal or Request for Review no later than 15 days after the date the Appeal or Request for Review was filed. Replies to Responses are not permitted.

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**A2008007 | 2-APRIL-21 | ALJ/SISTO/CPUC**

Proposed Decision granting Intervenor Compensation to the Green Power Institute for contribution to Resolutions WSD-002, WSD-003, WSD-004, WSD-005, WSD-007, WSD-008, and WSD-009. Opening comments, which shall not exceed 15 pages, are due no later than April 22, 2021. Reply comments, which shall not exceed 5 pages, are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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**A2004001 | 2-APRIL-21 | ALJ/WATTS-ZAGHA/CPUC**

Proposed Decision denying Bear Valley Application to recover 2019 winter storm costs booked in the Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account. Opening comments, which shall not exceed 15 pages, are due no later than April 22, 2021. Reply comments, which shall not exceed 5 pages, are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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**A2008001 | 2-APRIL-21 | ALJ/LAKHANPAL/CPUC**

Proposed Decision adopting an All-Party Settlement in the 2021 Energy Cost Adjustment Clause and Climate Credit Payments Application of Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric), LLC. Opening comments, which shall not exceed 15 pages, are due no later than April 22, 2021. Reply comments, which shall not exceed 5 pages, are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.

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