The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is conducting a fact-finding review regarding a pattern of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) missing inspections and other safety incidents to determine whether a recommendation to place PG&E further within the Enhanced Oversight and Enforcement Process is warranted.

The Enhanced Oversight and Enforcement Process was developed as a condition for approving PG&E’s plan for exiting bankruptcy in May 2020. In April 2021, the CPUC placed PG&E into the first step of the Enhanced Oversight and Enforcement Process based on the utility’s failure to sufficiently prioritize clearing vegetation on its highest-risk power lines as part of its wildfire mitigation work in 2020.

On Aug. 18, 2021, the CPUC’s President, Marybel Batjer, notified PG&E that she has directed CPUC staff to conduct a fact-finding review regarding a pattern of PG&E self-reported missed inspections and other self-reported safety incidents to determine whether a recommendation to advance PG&E further within the Enhanced Oversight and Enforcement Process is warranted.

Since learning of the company’s failure to prioritize vegetation clearing, PG&E has self-reported missed inspections of hydroelectric substations, distribution poles, and transmission lines. PG&E has also reported missing internal targets for enhanced vegetation management and failing to identify dry rot in distribution poles treated with Cellon coating. Many of these issues have occurred in High Fire Threat District areas. Since receiving these reports, PG&E has partially achieved remedial and corrective actions, and the CPUC and the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety have collaborated to actively monitor, assess, and respond as PG&E addresses each of the deficiencies. However, the pattern of deficiencies warrants the fact-finding review that President Batjer directed.

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In ongoing efforts to ensure affordable telecommunications services for all Californians, the CPUC has acted to decrease the high rates and fees that financially burden incarcerated people, their families, and others that provide them with support, impeding their ability to communicate—a burden that has been made more difficult by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

In an Aug. 19, 2021 decision, the CPUC set a per-minute cap of seven cents ($0.07) for intrastate debit, prepaid calls, and collect calls for all incarcerated person calling services (IPCS) operating within California. The CPUC also prohibited single-call service fees, automated payment/automated deposit fees, live agent fees, and paper bill fees; limited third-party financial transaction fees to the pass through of the exact third-party fee, with no markup, up to a limit of $6.95 per transaction; and prohibited the markup of any mandatory pass-through government taxes and fees.

Additionally, the CPUC directed telephone companies to fully disclose the rate caps and ancillary fee requirements on websites, bills, and marketing materials, and to maintain information on the adopted rate clearly and prominently on their websites.

Commissioner Martha Guzman Aceves, who is assigned to the proceeding, said, "While we will continue to explore more comprehensive, long-term options for relieving the burdens on communication faced by incarcerated people, this decision gives those people and their loved ones some immediate relief during this difficult time."

On August 8, 2020, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) proposed to update its rate caps on out-of-state calls and urged state partners to take action to address the high in-state inmate calling service rates because the FCC lacked the authority to cap intrastate calling prices. On October 8, 2020, the CPUC opened a proceeding to ensure that incarcerated people and their families have access to affordable communications services. The CPUC has not previously regulated the rates of telephone services provided to people incarcerated in California’s jails and prison.

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CPUC Commissioner Martha Guzman Aceves
The CPUC and the Office of Energy Safety Infrastructure (Energy Safety), in their joint commitment to safety and transparency, have called on San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) and Southern California Edison (SCE) to present updates on their electric safety related efforts.

The Aug. 25 meeting from 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. will provide the CPUC, Energy Safety, and the public thorough information about the electric safety related efforts of SDG&E and SCE, including wildfire prevention actions and potential infrastructure safety issues. Members of the Board of Directors of both utilities will present and answer questions from the CPUC and Energy Safety, and there will be opportunity for public comment.

The virtual meeting can be accessed via webcast (Spanish captions will be available) and phone (both an English and Spanish line), and the webcast will be archived for subsequent viewing. Those who would like to make comment must make comment by phone.

The CPUC enforces regulations to ensure power plants and utility companies run a safe and reliable electric system. The CPUC’s Safety and Enforcement Division (SED) conducts audits and inspections, investigates safety incidents or system problems, issues fines, oversees corrective actions, and advises the CPUC on related matters. The CPUC’s Safety Policy Division reviews and oversees risk analysis and mitigation planning by investor-owned utilities, conducts comprehensive safety culture assessments, analyzes safety metrics, and develops policies and rules designed to improve safety performance.


Separately, the CPUC set the selection process, scope of work, and schedule for an Independent Safety Monitor that will augment CPUC oversight of PG&E.

As a condition of approving PG&E’s plan for exiting bankruptcy in May 2020, the CPUC ordered an Independent Safety Monitor that will be functionally equivalent to the Federal Monitor that was appointed as part of PG&E’s probation in criminal court. The Independent Safety Monitor will augment the CPUC’s oversight of PG&E’s execution of real-time operations to ensure that the utility is focused on long-term outcomes that promote safety and reliability.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) will be issued seeking an Independent Safety Monitor for five years at a cost not to exceed $5 million per year to be paid by PG&E’s shareholders. The CPUC will review and select the Independent Safety Monitor from eligible candidates that respond to the RFP.

The CPUC’s oversight of PG&E includes broad investigation and enforcement authority, examination of rates and costs, pressing for progress on the utility’s efforts to reduce the risk of wildfire ignited by its equipment, ensuring safe execution of Public Safety Power Shutoffs, regulating the safety of the utility’s natural gas system, and ensuring PG&E is progressing toward modernizing its electric grid. The Independent Safety Monitor will augment these oversight efforts.
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A2106020 | 23-JUNE-2021 | GIGGLE FIBER, LLC
In the Matter of the Application of Giggle Fiber, LLC (U1287C) 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 of California Company, and Citizens Telecommunications Company of California, Inc. and full facilities-based and resold interexchange services on a statewide basis.

A2007009 | 28-JUNE-21 | ALJ/GLEGOLA/CPUC
Proposed Decision on Intervenor Compensation Claim of California Alliance for Community Energy.

R1410003 | 30-JUNE-21 | ALJ/HYMES/CPUC
Proposed Decision closing Rulemaking 14-10-003.

A2106021 | 30-JUNE-2021 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

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In the Matter of the Application of Crimson California Pipeline L.P. (PLC-26) for Authority to Increase Rates for Its Crude Oil Pipeline Services. (NORTHERN CALIFORNIA)

A2106024 | 30-JUNE-2021 | CRIMSON CALIFORNIA PIPELINE, L.P.
In the Matter of the Application of Crimson California Pipeline L.P. (PLC-26) for Authority to Increase Rates for Its Crude Oil Pipeline Services. (SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA)

A2106025 | 30-JUNE-2021 | PARETEUM CORPORATION
Application of Pareteum Corporation for Registration as an Interexchange Carrier Telephone Corporation Pursuant to the Provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 1013.

A2011002 | 1-JULY-21 | ALJ/SISTO/CPUC
Proposed Decision denying compensation for The Utility Reform Network’s contribution to Wildfire Safety Division Staff Letters regarding Southern California Edison Company 2020 Safety Certification.

A1806015 | 1-JULY-21 | ALJ/GOLDBERG/CPUC
Proposed Decision Clarifying Authorized Funding for Southern California Edison Company’s Charge Ready 2 Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure and Marked Education Program.

R2008022 | 1-JULY-21 | ALJS/FITCH/ SISTO/CPUC

A2107001 | 01-JULY-2021 | GREAT OAKS WATER COMPANY
Application of Great Oaks Water Company (U-162-W) for an Order authorizing it to increase rates charges for water service by $2,618,705 or 12.05% in 2022, by $1,762,136 or 7.23% in 2023, and by $1,879,770 or 7.20% in 2024.

A2107002 | 01-JULY-2021 | CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY
In the Matter of the Application of California Water Service Company (U60W), a California corporation, for an order (1) authorizing it to increase rates for water service by $80,484,801 or 11.1% in test year 2023, (2) authorizing it to increase rates on January 1, 2024 by $43,582,644 or 5.4% January 1, 2025 $43,197,258 or 5.1% in accordance with the Rate Case Plan, and (3) adopting other related rulings and relief necessary to implement the Commission’s ratemaking policies.

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A2107003 | 02-JULY-2021 | LIBERTY UTILITIES (APPLE VALLEY RANCHOS WATER) CORP.
Application of Liberty Utilities (Apple Valley Ranchos Water) Corp. (U346W) for Authority to Increase Rates Charged for Water Service by $2,862,903 or 11.11% in 2022, $2,068,273 or 7.18% in 2023, and $2,280,637 or 7.35% in 2024.

A2107004 | 02-JULY-2021 | LIBERTY UTILITIES (PARK WATER) CORP.
Application of Liberty Utilities (Park Water) Corp. (U314W) for Authority to Increase Rates Charged for Water Service by $5,475,273 or 15.10% in 2022, $1,820,970 or 4.35% in 2023, and $1,752,224 or 4.00% in 2024.

A2010004 | 2-JULY-21 | ALJ/COOKE/CPUC
Proposed Decision Denying Application Without Prejudice.

A2001012 | 2-JULY-21 | ALJ/BUCH/CPUC
Proposed Decision Granting California Water Service Company a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and Authorizing Initial Rates for the Millerton District Near Friant in Madera County.

A1907021 | 2-JULY-21 | ALJ/TOY/CPUC

A2003010 | 13-MARCH-2020 (REOPENED WEEK OF JULY 5, 2021) | TRANSIT SYSTEMS UNLIMITED, INC
Rehearing and request for oral argument of Decision 21-05-020 | Application of Transit Systems Unlimited, Inc. for Authority to Operate as Self-Insured Charter-Party Carrier of Passengers Pursuant to Public Utilities Commission General Order No. 115-G.

A2007009 | 10-JULY-2020 (REOPENED WEEK OF JULY 5, 2021) | SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

A1806015 | 26-JUNE-2018 (REOPENED WEEK OF JULY 5, 2021) | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY
Proposed Decision Clarifying Authorized Funding For Edison’s Charge Ready 2 Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure | Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for Approval of its Charge Ready 2 Infrastructure and Market Education Programs.

A2107006 | 06-JULY-2021 | AT&T MOBILITY WIRELESS OPERATIONS HOLDINGS, INC., SANTA BARBARA CELLULAR SYSTEMS, LTD., AND NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC
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rongo Basin) California, and a surrounding area radius of 100 miles to include the Cities of Needles, Palm Springs, Palm Desert, Cathedral City, La Quinta, Desert Hot Springs, Banning, Beaumont, San Bernardino, Riverside and Ontario; and to establish a Zone of Rate Freedom.


A2009018 | 22-JULY-21 | ALJ/KLINE/CPUC

Proposed Decision Authorizing Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s Sale of its San Francisco General Office Complex and Related Matters. Pursuant to Rule 14.6(c)(2), comments on the proposed decision must be filed within 10 days of its mailing and reply comments must be filed within five days of the deadline to file opening comments.


C2008018 | 22-JULY-21 | ALJ/HECHT/CPUC

Presiding Officer’s Decision dismissing complaint of Town of Paradise vs. Comcast Phone of California, LLC. and AT&T Corporation. 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.


A2107009 | 22-JULY-2021 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY


A1505014 | 14-MAY 2015 (REOPENED WEEK OF JULY 19, 2021) | CITY OF SANTA ROSA

Petition For Modification Of Decision No. 16-09-002 | Application of the City of Santa Rosa for Approval to Construct a Public Pedestrian and Bicycle At-Grade Crossing of the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) Track at Jennings Avenue Located in Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, State of California.


A2107015 | 26-JULY-2021 | TOURISMO EXPRESS, INC.

In the Matter of the Application of Tourismo Express, Inc, a California corporation, for reinstatement of the passenger stage authority (PSC-29565), revoked as a consequence of the COVID-19 Pandemic.


A2107011 | 27-JULY-2021 | HWCA LP

Application of HWCA LP for Registration as a Non-Facilities Based Interconnected VoIP Provider Pursuant to the Provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 1013.


P2107012 | 27-JULY-2021 | CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Petition of the City and County of San Francisco for a Valuation of Certain Pacific Gas & Electric Company Property Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Sections 1401-1421.


A2107013 | 28-JULY-2021 | CALIFORNIA SOLAR & STORAGE ASSOCIATION


A2107014 | 28-JULY-2021 | CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

In the Matter of the Application of the California Department of General Services for an Order Authorizing the Construction of a Two-Track at-grade Crossing at the Proposed Intersection of North 7th Street and Bannon Street in the City of Sacramento.


A2103007 | 30-JULY-21 | ALJ/YACKNIN/CPUC

Proposed Decision on Intervenor Compensation Claim of Small Business Utility Advocates. Opening comments are due no later than August 19, 2021. Reply comments are due within five days after the last day for filing opening comments.


R1709020 | 28-SEPT.- 2017 (REOPENED WEEK OF JULY 26, 2021) | CPUC

Intervenor compensation proposed decision | Order Instituting Rulemaking to Oversee the Resource Adequacy Program, Consider Program Refinements, and Establish Annual Local and Flexible Procurement Obligations for the 2019 and 2020 Compliance Years.


A1802013 | 16-FEB.-2018 (REOPENED WEEK OF JULY 26, 2021) | WILD GOOSE STORAGE, LLC

Joint motion requesting a three-year extension of confidential status | 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 to Secure the Financing of certain Affiliates of the Utilities or in the Alternative for Authorization for the Same Relief under Sections 830 and 851.


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R1903009 | 14-MARCH-2019 (REOPENED WEEK OF JULY 26, 2021) | CPUC
Rehearing of Decision 21-06-033 | Order Instituting Rulemaking to Implement Senate Bill 237 Related to Direct Access

A2105007 | 17-MAY-2021 | AT&T CORP
Application of AT&T Corp. (U 5002 C) to Discontinue Providing Residential Service in Frontier Territory and Relinquish Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Designation.