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Change When You Use Electricity and Save Money: Programs Available to You!

Summer has arrived in California, bringing warmer weather and extreme temperatures across the state. As you try to stay cool, remember to do your part to support the electric grid and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Small changes to your routine can make a big impact on the safety and quality of life for everyone. It can also save you money.

Here are three ways you can save energy and money this summer:

Use Energy at the [Right Time](#)

When you use electricity is just as important as how much electricity you use. From 4–9 p.m., energy demand is high, and less wind and solar power is available. By using less electricity

during these hours, you can lower your bill, and ensure that your energy is coming from cleaner sources. This is especially important if the state calls a [Flex Alert](#) asking Californians to do their electricity intensive activities and chores before 4 p.m. to help maintain a stable electric grid.

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Why Flex Alerts Happen



STEP 1

Heat waves hit our state harder every summer. And when it's extra hot, we use more electricity to help us stay cool.



STEP 2

But all that energy use puts a strain on our energy sources and if we use too much power, outages can occur.



STEP 3

The good news is that these outages are preventable. All you have to do is sign up for [Flex Alerts](#) to know when to save energy.



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EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES:

New \$30 Million Grant Program Will Increase Engagement with Tribes and Community-Based Organizations

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is committed to empowering underserved and underrepresented communities. That's why we are thrilled to introduce our new \$30 million Equity and Access Grant Program. This program will provide technical assistance and capacity building to California Native American Tribes and community-based organizations.

With three grant categories, we aim to enhance participation in CPUC processes and make clean energy programs more accessible to diverse and socio-economically disadvantaged communities.

The programs include:

- **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GRANT:** This program helps remove financial and capacity-based barriers to participation in CPUC work, while creating a flexible and accessible process to apply for and receive compensation. The \$3.1 million program will award grants of up to \$15,000 for participating in a CPUC activity that informs proceedings and programs, such as a working group, panel, or focus group.
- **EQUITY, ENGAGEMENT, AND EDUCATION GRANT:** This program helps build Tribal, CBO, and community capacity to understand and engage with the CPUC's decision-making processes. The \$9.75 million program will

award grants of up to \$200,000 for work that will educate consumers or perform outreach within an underserved community on a CPUC matter.

- **CLEAN ENERGY ACCESS GRANT:** This program helps communities access CPUC programs such as the [Microgrid Incentive Program](#), the [Self-Generation Incentive Program](#), and the [Technology and Equipment for Clean Heating Initiative](#). The \$15.65 million program will award grants of up to \$500,000 for work that will address access to or education about the customer programs. There will be a clean energy subject matter expert who will provide technical assistance for applicants as well as for grantees.

Applications Opening in September

Applications for Public Participation Grants and Equity, Engagement, and Education Grants will be available in September. Applications for Clean Energy Access Grants will be accepted late 2023/early 2024. The CPUC will hold a workshop on Aug. 9, 2023, to provide more information and guidance. Learn more about these programs and register for the webinar on the CPUC's [website](#). ■

California Hosts Public Service Commissioners at Annual Conference

Recently the CPUC hosted utility regulators from around the country at the 2023 Western Conference of Public Service Commissioners (WCPSC).

WCPSC is a regional association within the [National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners](#) (NARUC) and meets annually in one of the 14 Western states. This year's conference was held in Napa and led by CPUC Commissioner [Genevieve Shiroma](#), the 2022-2023 WCPSC President.

Commissioner Shiroma was charged with developing a conference that included educational programs on a range of regulatory issues for more than 400 attendees from Alaska to Hawaii to Wyoming. Commissioner Shiroma succeeded in showcasing the Golden State and creating relevant opportunities for attendees to gain industry insight, learn about federal funding initiatives, and network with colleagues from other state utility commissions about industries as diverse as water, energy, telecommunications, and transportation.

The conference integrated educational experiences that provided attendees with insight from other utility commissions and regulatory representatives by curating general sessions, concurrent panels, and an educational tour focused on federal funding, energy, transportation, and other issues.

CPUC Commissioners and staff participated and served as moderators in panels that included topics such as maintaining customer affordability; delivering clean, affordable, and reliable energy; broadband mapping; the impact of wildfires and other extreme weather; microgrids; and outreach to low-income and hard-to-reach customers and tribal communities.

When asked if she would consider hosting a conference of this magnitude again, Commissioner Shiroma said, "I am proud and humbled to live and work in California. As a CPUC Commissioner, I am grateful to be able to work on behalf of Californians by helping to ensure that safe and reliable utility services are accessible to us all — of course, I would do it again!" ■

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Commissioner Genevieve Shiroma



photo, top: WCPSC President and CPUC Commissioner Shiroma opened the 2023 Conference.

photo, right: CPUC Commissioners Shiroma and Karen Douglas welcomed Conference attendees during registration.

Join the [Power Saver Rewards Program](#)

This statewide program for residential customers will pay you for reducing your electricity use during an emergency. You can earn bill credits at the rate of \$2 for every kWh of electricity saved. Learn more at www.saveourpower.org.

Participate in the [Emergency Load Reduction Program \(ELRP\)](#)

Used as a last resort during emergencies, non-residential customers are compensated with bill credits at \$2 for every kWh of electricity saved during an ELRP event.

California's electric utilities manage these programs. Check with your electric provider for available rate options and to ensure you're enrolled in the programs that work best for you.

Go to www.energyupgradeca.org to learn more about California's commitment to helping all residents become more energy efficient, utilize more sustainable resources, reduce demand on the electric grid, and make informed choices about electricity use at home and at work. ■

BEFORE 4PM	BETWEEN 4-9PM
 Pre-Cool Run your AC cooler during the day to enjoy a cool evening.	 Thermostat Take a load off your AC and set your thermostat to 78 degrees or higher.
 Chores Use major appliances early and enjoy your evening worry-free.	 Delay Take a load off your appliances and delay dishes and laundry until the morning.
 Window Shades Enjoy the sun in the AM and adjust window coverings in the PM to keep your home cool.	 Lights Out Take a load off your lights and turn off what you don't need. Make it a game – it can be fun!

THE DOCKET:

Proceedings Filed at the CPUC June 2023

PROCEEDING NUMBER | FILED DATE | FILER

A2002009 ET AL. | 5/26/2023 | ALJ/LAU/CPUC

Revised Proposed Decision adopting methodology for calculating unrealized revenues during public safety power shutoffs.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509793895>

A2007008 | 5/26/2023 | ALJ/JUNGREIS/CPUC

Proposed Decision granting compensation to Wild Tree Foundation for substantial contribution to Decision 20-11-007.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509767713>

A2011001 | 5/25/2023 | ALJ/GLEGOLA/CPUC

Proposed Decision granting compensation to The Utility Reform Network for substantial contribution to Decision 21-11-030.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509793874>

A2202005 ET AL. | 5/26/2023 | ALJ/FITCH/KAO/CPUC

Proposed Decision authorizing energy efficiency portfolios for 2024-2027 and business plans for 2024-2031.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509800484>

I2106018 | 5/26/2023 | CMMR/SHIROMA/ CPUC

Proposed Decision establishing the California Grade Separation Fund Priority List for fiscal year 2023-2024.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509876542>

R1911009 | 5/26/2023 | ALJ/CHIV/CPUC

Proposed Decision granting compensation to Green Power Institute for substantial contribution to Decisions (D.) 20-06-031, D.21-06-029 and D.21-07-014.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509793896>

R2110002 | 5/25/2023 | ALJ/CHIV/O'ROURKE/CPUC

Proposed Decision adopting Local Capacity Obligations for 2024-2026, Flexible Capacity Obligations for 2024, and program refinements.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509800450>

A2002009 ET AL. | 5/26/2023 | CMMR/JOHN REYNOLDS/CPUC

Alternate Proposed Decision adopting methodology for calculating unrealized revenues during public safety power shutoffs.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509876540>

C2103003 | 5/26/2023 | ALJ/LARSEN/CPUC

Presiding Officer's Decision dismissing complaint.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509793915>

A2305010 | 5/12/2023 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U 338-E) For Authority to Increase Its Authorized Revenues for Electric Service In 2025, Among Other Things, and to Reflect That Increase in Rates.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=508571137>

K2305019 | 5/17/2023 | ORANGE COUNTY POWER AUTHORITY

Appeal of Orange County Power Authority (ID 243) from Citation No. E-4195-0134 in the amount of \$147,408.00 issued by the Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509544051>

A1805007 | 5/2/2018 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY

In the Matter of the Application Of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY (U 338-E) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity: Eldorado-Lugo-Mohave Series Capacitor Project.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=509793857>

C2201002 | 6/1/2023 | ALJ/PETERSEN/CPUC

Presiding Officer's Decision dismissing complaint.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=510287546>

A2305020 | 5/30/2023 | CENTRAL COAST COMMUNITY ENERGY

Application of Central Coast Community Energy for rehearing of Resolution E-5258.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=510286985>

A2305021 | 5/30/2023 | CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY CHOICE ASSOCIATION

Application for Rehearing of Resolution E-5258.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=510466644>

A2306001 | 6/1/2023 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) For Approval of Its 2024 ERRR Forecast Proceeding Revenue Requirement.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=510287345>

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A2306002 | 6/1/2023 | SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U 902-E) for Approval of: (i) Contract Administration, Least-Cost Dispatch and Power Procurement Activities in 2022, (ii) Costs Related to those Activities Recorded to the Energy Resource Recovery Account, <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=510287346>

A2306003 | 6/1/2023 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY

Application of Southern California Regional Rail Authority for authority to construct a pedestrian underpass grade separation for the Simi Valley Double Track Project on the Metrolink Ventura Subdivision at Mile Post 438.08 (Proposed CPUC Number 101VE-438 <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=510287469>

A2306004 | 6/2/2023 | LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

In the Matter of the Application of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority for an Order authorizing the Construction of a one-track at-grade pedestrian crossing from Willowbrook Avenue East to the Metro A Line Platform at the Willowb <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=510287658>

A2010011 | 6/9/2023 | ALJ/DOHERTY/CPUC

Proposed Decision addressing Petition for Modification of Decision 21-11-017. <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511023187>

R2008022 | 6/9/2023 | ALJ/PARK/TOY/CPUC

Proposed Decision on Clean Energy Financing Proposals. <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511023292>

A2306003 | 6/1/2023 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY

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A2306004 | 6/2/2023 | LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

In the Matter of the Application of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority for an Order authorizing the Construction of a one-track at-grade pedestrian crossing from Willowbrook Avenue East to the Metro A Line Platform at the Willowb <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=510287658>

C2306005 | 6/6/2023 | JEANNE WILSON

Jeanne M. Wilson, Complainant vs. Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39E), Defendant. [Charging allegation is gas project violates Commission General Order 177.] <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511023273>

(ECP) C2306006 | 6/7/2023 | GABRIEL VENEGAS

(ECP) Gabriel and Kathy Venegas, Complainants vs. Havasu Water Company, Inc.(U352W), Defendant. [Charging allegation is failure to provide safe and reliable service and billing error.] <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511023077>

A2212015 | 12/27/2022 | CM.COM US INC.

Application of CM.com US. Inc. for Registration as an Interexchange Carrier Telephone Corporation Pursuant to the Provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 1013. <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=500761496>

R1807003 | 6/15/2023 | ALJ/ATAMTURK/CPUC

Proposed Decision granting Petition to Modify Decision 19-09-043. <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511551830>

A2306007 | 6/13/2023 | BEAR VALLEY ELECTRIC SERVICE, INC.

Application of Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc.(U913E) for authorization to issue and sell additional debt and equity securities not exceeding the aggregate amount of \$120,000,000 and other related requests. <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511023687>

A2306008 | 6/15/2023 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Recovery of Recorded Expenditures in Memorandum and Balancing Accounts Related to Wildfire and Gas Safety (U 39 M). <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511547762>

A2306011 | 6/16/2023 | CITY OF SACRAMENTO

In the Matter of the Application of The City of Sacramento for an Order authorizing the construction of two (2) single-track Light Rail Transit at-grade crossings (1) Railyards Boulevard and (2) Summit Tunnel Avenue in the City of Sacramento, Sacramento C <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511719375>

A2306012 | 6/16/2023 | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U 338-E) to issue, sell, and deliver one or more series of Debt Securities and guarantee the obligations of others in respect of the issuance of Debt Securities, the total aggregate principal...

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(ECP) C2306009 | 6/14/2023 | SAVANNAH GILBERT

(ECP) Savannah Gilbert, Complainant vs. Southern California Edison Company (U338E), Defendant. [Charging allegation is billing error.]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511557272>

C2306010 | 6/14/2023 | SALVATION ARMY WESTWOOD VILLAGE

Salvation Army Westwood Village, Complainant vs. Southern California Edison Company (U338E), Defendant. [Charging allegation is billing error.]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511502643>

A2306013 | 6/8/2023 | PODIUM VOICE, LLC

Application of Podium Voice, LLC for Registration as an Interexchange Carrier Telephone Corporation Pursuant to the Provisions of Public Utilities Code Section 1013.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511719403>

A2306014 | 6/19/2023 | MARIN AIRPORTER

Application of Marin Airporter (PSC-990) for authority to increase passenger fares for service between Marin County and San Francisco Airport (SFO) and to expand its existing Zone of Rate Freedom (ZORF).

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511719085>

A2306017 | 6/21/2023 | PACIFICORP

Application of PacifiCorp (U901E) for Authority to Establish the Wildfire Expense Memorandum Account.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511719341>

C2306015 | 6/20/2023 | JOSEPH SUTTON

Joseph Sutton and Long Island Property Owners Association (LIPOA), Complainants vs. Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39E), Defendant. [Charging allegation is failure to provide safe and reliable service.]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511719099>

(ECP) C2306016 | 6/20/2023 | SUSIE LEE

(ECP) Susie Lee and Elizabeth Lee, Complainants vs. Southern California Edison Company (U338E), Defendant. [Charging allegation is billing error.]

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=511719105>

P2306018 | 6/22/2023 | CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Petition to Adopt, Amend, or Repeal a Regulation Pursuant to Pub. Util. Code § 1708.5.

<https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?DocFormat=All&DocID=512176976>

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