

CPUC Public Agenda 3578

Thursday, March 19, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

Commissioners:

John Reynolds, President

Darcie L. Houck

Karen Douglas

Matthew Baker

Christine Harada

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California Public
Utilities Commission

CPUC Mission

We Empower California through:

- Assuring utility services are clean and safe.
- Providing for critical services and infrastructure.
- Designing rates that are fair and reasonable.
- Protecting the interests of consumers and ratepayers

CPUC Core Values



Accountability



Excellence



Integrity



**Open
Communication**



Stewardship

Commissioner Code of Conduct

- I. Commissioners should conduct themselves in a manner that demonstrates respect for the public, for fellow Commissioners, and for Commission staff.
- II. Commission meetings should be opportunities for a full and respectful exchange of ideas and the responsible execution of Commission duties.
- III. Serving on the Commission is an honor and Commissioners should treat their colleagues at the Commission with respect for the varied backgrounds, skills and interests that each one brings.
- IV. Commissioners are public officials who should uphold the integrity of their office at all times.

Public Comment

- Per Resolution ALJ-252, any member of the public (excluding parties and their representatives) who wishes to address the CPUC about matters before the Commission may comment in person at the Commission Meeting or may call in to the toll-free number:



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- A bell will ring when time has expired.
- **Written comments on a specific proceeding can be submitted via the CPUC's docket card. Please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov/docket, input the proceeding number, then click on the public comment tab. You can also visit the Public Advisor's Office webpage at www.cpuc.ca.gov/pao for further information.**
- Public Comment is not permitted on the following items:
29, 35, 40, 41

Public Agenda Changes

Items shown on the Consent Agenda will be taken up and voted on as a group in one of the first items of business of each CPUC meeting.

- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 1 are: **1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 21, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 40, 41, and 50.**
- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 2 are: **27.**
- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 3 are: **22, 38, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, and 51.**
- Any Commissioner, with consent of the other Commissioners, may request an item from the Regular Agenda be moved to the Consent Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **Items 54, 55, and 56** from the Regular Agenda have been added to the Consent Agenda 1.
- Any Commissioner may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion on the Regular Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **Item 42** has been withdrawn.
- **Items 11, 19, and 39** have been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:

Held to 4/9/2026: 7, 15, 20, and 49.

Held to 4/30/2026: 3, 23, and 34.

Regular Agenda

- Each item on the Regular Agenda (and its alternate if any) will be introduced by the assigned Commissioner or CPUC staff and discussed before it is moved for a vote.
- For each agenda item, a summary of the proposed action is included on the agenda; the CPUC's final decision may, however, differ from that proposed.
- The complete text of every Proposed Decision or Draft Resolution is available for download on the CPUC's website: www.cpuc.ca.gov
- Late changes to agenda items are available on the Virtual Escutia Table; or in paper format or via QR Code at the Commission Meeting site.

Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions

Item #11 [24031] – Rate Relief for Incarcerated Persons Calling Services

R.20-10-002

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Consider Regulating Telecommunications Services Used by Incarcerated People.

Ratesetting

Comr. Houck - Judge Haga

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- For all telephone corporations providing intrastate incarcerated persons calling services (IPCS) in the State of California, adopts caps on intrastate rates for IPCS of seven cents (\$0.045) per minute for debit, prepaid calls and collect calls.
- Maintains the prohibition against the imposition of single-call, paper bill, live agent, and automated payment fees in association with intrastate and jurisdictionally mixed IPCS and requires the pass through, with no markup, of third-party financial transaction fees, up to a limit of \$6.95 per transaction.
- Allows the pass through, with no markup, of government-mandated taxes and fees for intrastate and jurisdictionally mixed IPCS.
- Maintains the prohibition against the imposition of any other type of ancillary fee or service fee not explicitly approved.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- This decision reduces costs to the incarcerated persons and their families for calling services.

Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions (continued)

Item #19 [24043] – Liberty Utilities' Test Year 2025 General Rate Case

A.24-09-010

Application of Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC for Authority to Among Other Things, Increase Its Authorized Revenues for Electric Service, Establish Marginal Costs, Allocate Revenues, And Design Rates, as of January 1, 2025.

Ratesetting

Comr. Baker - Judge Petersen

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Adopts and modifies multi-party Settlement Agreement and resolves the disputed issues regarding Liberty Utilities' general rates for Test Year 2025.
- Authorizes a revenue requirement of \$231,938,000.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- \$231,938,000 to be paid by ratepayers, an 11.4 percent increase over the currently authorized revenue requirement.

Regular Agenda | Orders Extending Statutory Deadline

Item #39 [24064] – Order Extending Statutory Deadline

A.09-09-022

In the Matter of the Application of Southern Edison Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Alberhill System Project.

Ratesetting

Comr. Reynolds - Judge Zhang

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends the Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until September 25, 2026.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

Regular Agenda | Energy Orders

Item #52 [24042] – LS Power Grid California, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

A.24-04-017

Application of LS Power Grid California, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing Construction of the Power Santa Clara Valley Project.

Ratesetting

Comr. Douglas - Judge Purchia

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Grants LS Power Grid California, LLC (LSPGC) a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct the Power for Santa Clara Valley Project.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- Requires LSPGC to implement measures to mitigate electromagnetic field effects.
- Requires LSPGC to implement the Mitigation Monitoring, Reporting, and Compliance Program to mitigate any potentially significant safety risks to a less than-significant level.

ESTIMATED COST:

- The decision establishes a maximum cost cap of \$1,592,760,000.

Regular Agenda | Energy Orders (continued)

Item #53 [24069] – LS Power Grid California, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

A.24-05-014

Application of LS Power Grid California, LLC, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing Construction of the Power the South Bay Project.

Ratesetting

Comr. Douglas - Judge Atamturk

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Grants LS Power Grid California, LLC a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the construction of the Power the South Bay Project, as proposed, and subject to the mitigation measures identified in the Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- The costs associated with this project are capped at \$813,240,000.

Management Reports



Item #57 [23293]

Management Report on Administrative Actions and Consumer Protection and Safety Activities

Internal Audit Services and Risk and Compliance Branch's Accomplishments in 2025 and Goals For 2026

Internal Audit Services and the Risk and Compliance Branch will discuss their accomplishments for 2025 and goals for 2026

Office of Internal Audit Services and Risk and Compliance Branch's 2025 Accomplishments and 2026 Goals

Presenters:

Julie Munekawa, Chief Internal Auditor, Office of Internal Audit Services

Randy Enriquez, Program and Project Supervisor, Risk and Compliance Branch

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1. About Office of Internal Audit Services



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2. Office of Internal Audit Services: 2025 Accomplishments and 2026 Goals

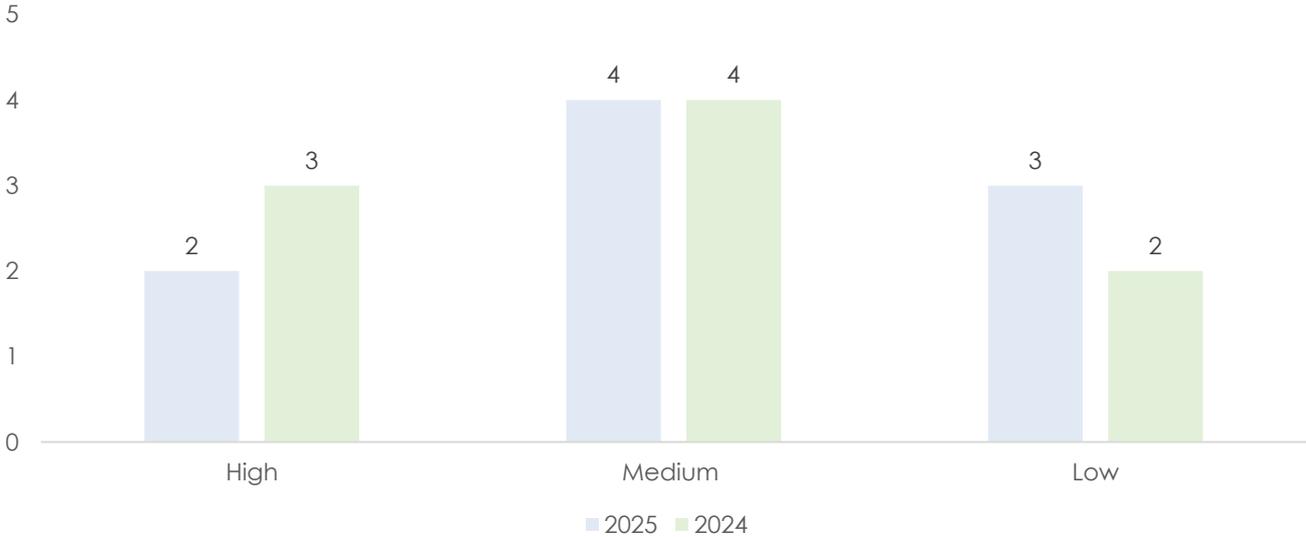


IAS Accomplishments – Audits/Projects Completed

Job No.	Audited Division	Report Date	# of Findings
IA2024-05	Administrative Services Division	February 11, 2025	1
IA2024-03	Information Technology Services Division	June 3, 2025	1
IA2024-01	Administrative Services Division	June 18, 2025	3
IA2024-09	External Contract/Communications Division	June 26, 2025	0
IA2024-06	Safety Enforcement Division	June 27, 2025	1
IA2024-08	External Contract/External Affairs Division	June 30, 2025	2
IA2025-07	Safety Enforcement Division	December 30, 2025	1

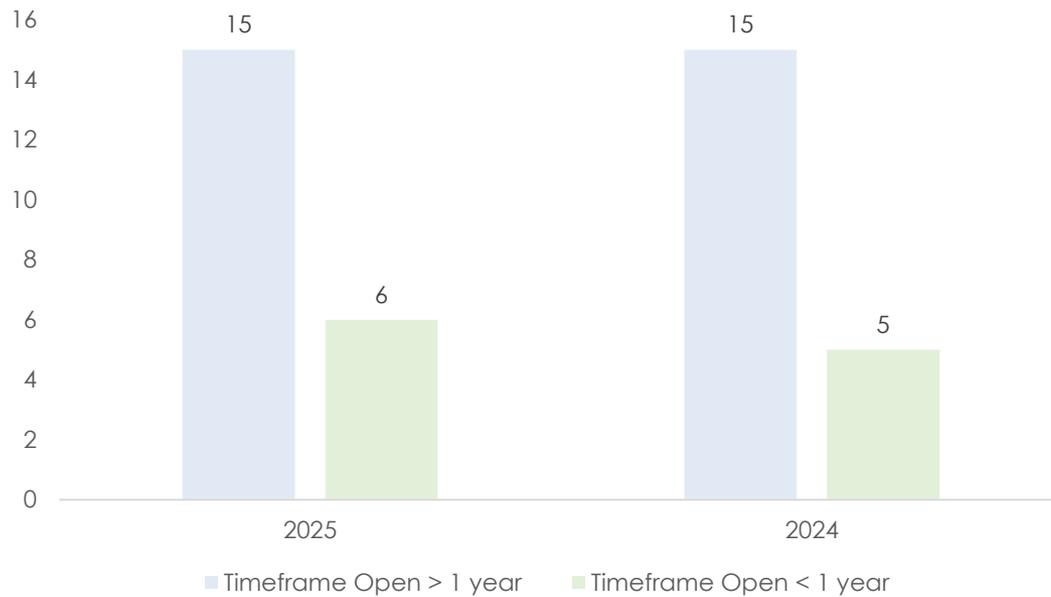
For comparison, 7 were completed in 2024.

Findings by Rating As of December 31

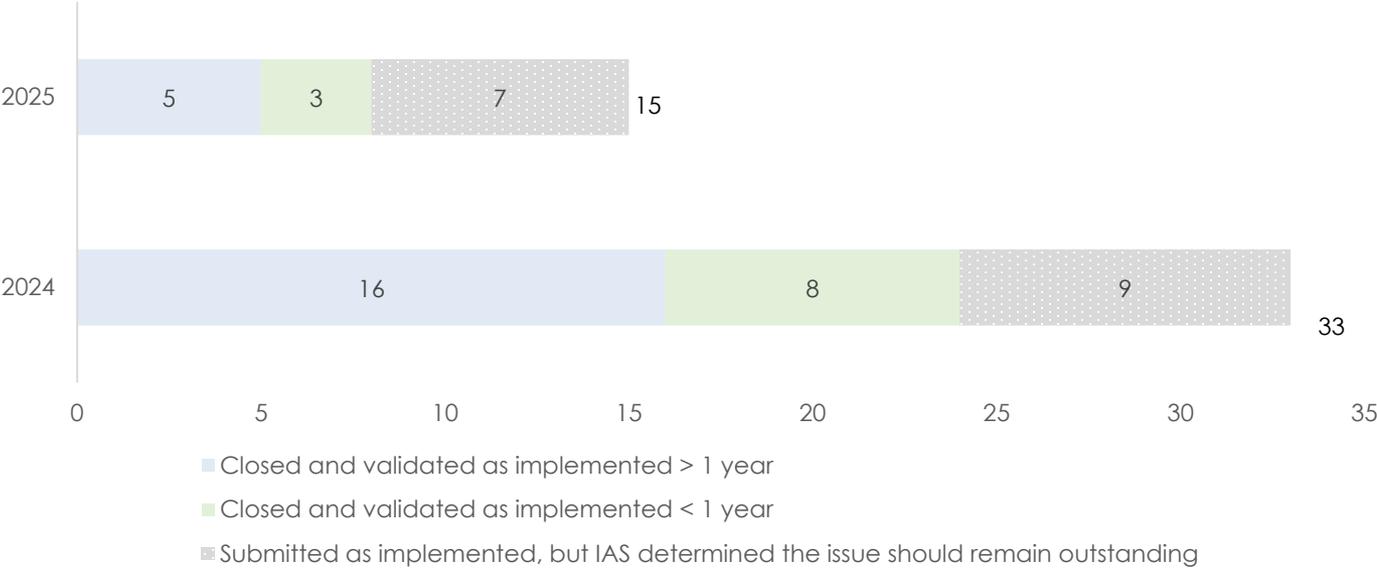


Total Findings 2025: 9 2024: 9

Aging of Open Recommendations As of December 31

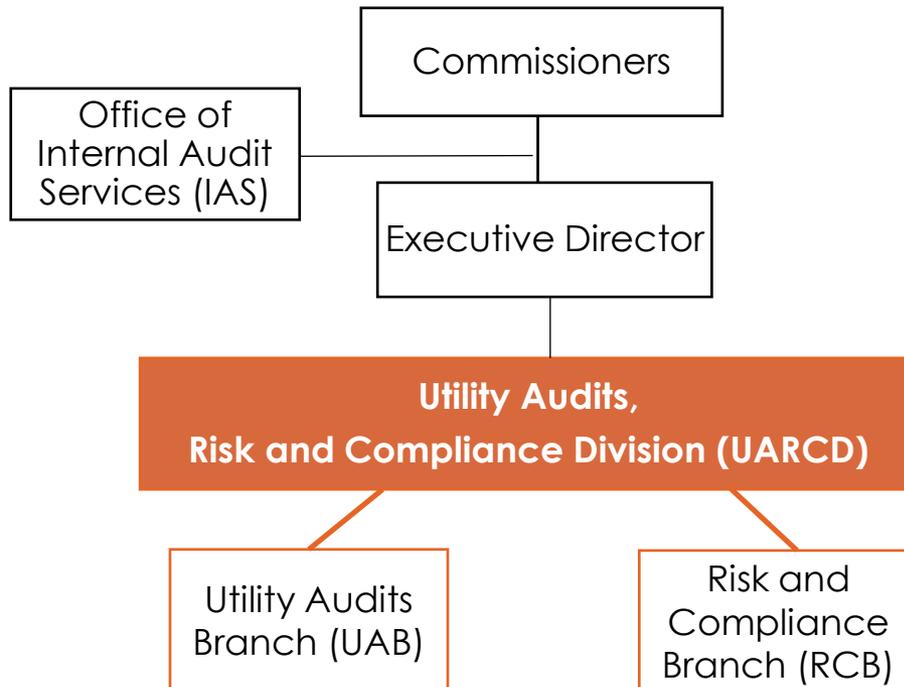


Follow-up of Internal Audit Recommendations As of December 31



3. About Utility Audits, Risk and Compliance Division

Organizational Structure



4. Risk and Compliance Branch: 2025 Accomplishments and 2026 Goals

CPUC Continues Upward Trend in Closing Audit Recommendations

Audit Recommendation Type	Dec 2024	Dec 2025	Incremental Change
External Audits	247	272	+ 25
Internal Audits	100	108	+ 8
Totals	347	380	+ 33 ↑

5. State Leadership Accountability Act (SLAA) 2025



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The CPUC thanks you for participating in today's meeting

The next Public Meeting will be:

April 9, 2026

11:00 a.m.

San Francisco, CA

