

CPUC Public Agenda 3586

Thursday, September 3, 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:



1-800-857-1917

Passcode: 9899501

- ***Para escuchar esta reunión en español, por favor llame: (800) 857-1917, código de acceso: 3799627.***
- Once called, each speaker has 1 minute at the discretion of the Commission President. If there are a large number of callers wishing to speak, the time limit may be changed to accommodate all callers.
- 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:

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, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 32, 34, 36, 38, 43, 44, 45, 46, 49, and 51.**
- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 2 are: **5, 6, 14, 26, 27, 30, 31, 33, 35, 37, 39, 41, 42, 47, and 48.**
- 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.
- **Item 51** from the Regular Agenda has 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.
- **No Item** has been withdrawn.
- **Items 2 and 2A** have been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:

Held to 9/17/2026: 3, 11, 13, and 40.

Held to 10/8/2026: 4.

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 #2 [24230] – Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Request to Deviate from its Commission Authorized Capital Rate Structure

A.24-08-004

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for a Limited Capital Structure Adjustment.

Ratesetting

Comr. Reynolds - Judge Nojan

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Denies Pacific Gas and Electric Company's request to deviate from its authorized capital rate structure.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this decision.

Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions (continued)

Item #2A [24424] – Commissioner Reynolds' Alternate to Agenda ID # 24230

A.24-08-004

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Ratesetting

Comr. Reynolds

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Grants, in part, Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) request to deviate from its authorized capital rate structure.
- Requires additional reporting in PG&E's next cost of capital application.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this decision.

Regular Agenda | Energy Orders

Item #50 [24461] – Order Instituting Rulemaking to Revise the General Rate Case Plan for the Energy Utilities

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Order Instituting Rulemaking to Revise the General Rate Case Plan for Energy Utilities.

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Opens a new rulemaking to revise the Rate Case Plan that guides the procedural schedule and minimum information presented in electric and gas utility General Rate Case (GRC) requests.
- Implements recent Legislative requirements, facilitates improved and more uniform evidentiary showings, and addresses related issues.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- This rulemaking will refine the general framework that governs the energy utility GRC revenue requests to provide safe and reliable gas and electric service.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this decision.

Management Reports

Item #52 [23293]

Management Report on Administrative Actions and Consumer Protection and Safety Activities

The Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group 2025 Annual Report and Equity Framework

The Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group (DACAG) will present its 2025 Annual Report and updated Equity Framework.

2025 Annual Report

Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group (DACAG)

Chris Walker, Acting Chair

September 3, 2026



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Agenda / 2025 Report Overview

- Purpose
- Members
- 2025 Priorities
- Key Actions & Recommendations from 2025
- Agency Partnership
- Building on the Work of 2025
- Gratitude

Purpose of the DACAG

- California Senate Bill 350, the Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015
- 11 members either from or representing disadvantaged communities
- Purpose: "ensure that disadvantaged communities, including Tribal and rural communities, benefit from proposed clean energy and pollution reduction programs"
- DACAG Equity Framework: developed by founding members, refined in 2024 to emphasize
 - Non-energy benefits
 - Affordability
 - Access, Outreach, Education
 - Community Engagement
 - Health & Safety
 - Financial Benefits & Economic Development
 - Workforce Development
 - Consumer Protection
 - Metrics, Evaluation, & Accountability

2025 DACAG Members



Julia Mary Popolizio Hatton **



Chris Walker*



Sarah Sharpe *



Chelsea Kirk *



Elena Krieger, PhD ***



Gem Moon Montes*



Abimael Chavez-Hernandez *



Fred L. Beihn ***



Senait Forthal *



Román Partida-López ***



Councilman Michael
Vasquez****

*First Term
**Second Term
***Third Term
****Appointed by Governor's
Tribal Advisor's Office

2025 Priority Areas

- Affordability & Disconnections
- Building + Industrial + Gas System Decarbonization & Clean Hydrogen
- Electricity Reliability, Resiliency & Load Flexibility
- Transportation Electrification & Zero-Emission Transportation
- Long-Term Planning (SB 100, IRP, Offshore Wind, Lithium Valley)
- EPIC Program
- Tribal & Community Engagement
- Workforce Development

Key DACAG Actions in 2025

Verbal Input on CEC and CPUC Efforts

CPUC

- Senate Bill 100 Joint-Agency Report – CPUC Portion (February)
- Integrated Resource Planning – Preferred System Plan (February)
- Southern California Edison Community Engagement Plan for Climate Adaptation (March)
- Electric Program Investment Charge Strategic Objectives (March)
- Gas Research and Development Investment Plans – Southern California Gas Company / Pacific Gas and Electric (April)
- Environmental and Social Justice Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase Pilot – Southern California Edison (August)
- Base Services Charge Update (September)
- Downstream Impacts of Customer-Generation Policies (“One Big Beautiful Bill Act”) (June discussion, November interest)
- Solar for All Grant Program Update – CPUC-led (July)
- Transportation Electrification Updates – Including Senate Bill 1000 Heavy-Duty Charging (June)
- Cost of Capital Proceeding Applications – CPUC Discussion (December)

Key DACAG Actions in 2025

Verbal Input on CEC and CPUC Efforts

CEC

- Gas Research and Development Program (January)
- Justice, Access, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Proceeding (February)
- Building Performance Strategy Report (February)
- Senate Bill 100 Joint-Agency Report – CEC Portion (February)
- Gas Research and Development Investment Plans (April)
- Tribal Energy Sovereignty Informational Proceeding (May)
- Summer Reliability Conditions (May)
- Assembly Bill 205 Opt-In Certification Program (June)
- Assembly Bill 3 Offshore Wind Reports (July)
- 2028 California Energy Code Update (October)
- Clean Transportation Investment Plan Update (October)
- Energy Equity Indicators Project (November)

Key DACAG Actions in 2025

Letters to Proceedings

Energy Efficiency Rulemaking (R.25-04-010) Comment Letter (June) - CPUC

- The DACAG recommended that the Commission consider the DACAG Equity Framework in all proceedings impacting and/or involving priority communities and all proceedings with equity considerations, including R.25-04-010.

Cost of Capital Comment Letter (December) - CPUC

- The DACAG recommended that the Commission consider lowering the approved Return on Equity (ROE) and consider the bill impacts and energy cost burden impacts of its decision especially on disadvantaged and low-income communities when making a final determination in this Cost of Capital proceeding.

2025 Direct Recommendations to CEC & CPUC

- Use the DACAG Equity Framework across all Proceedings
- Prioritize affordability & protect low-income ratepayers
- Strengthen community engagement requirements
- Expand access to programs
- Advance building and gas system decarbonization with equity safeguards
- Center equity in EPIC and clean energy innovation
- Address reliability & resiliency gaps in justice communities
- Integrate workforce equity

Building on the Work of 2025

As of our August 2026 meeting, the DACAG has full membership and we are enthusiastic about our continued work with agencies to improve how we serve the 10 million or 1 in 4 Californians for whom DACs are not an acronym, but home

- The DACAG has undertaken efforts to boost member engagement and reorganize our approach to priority areas, with the goals of
 - Clearly defining the priority areas of our work and their many important intersections (with the DACAG Equity Framework as a guide)
 - Better understanding the scope and timing of agency actions and investments
 - Substantively shaping our own agenda and working across all of our priority areas with intention
 - Benchmarking and setting clear goals for how we hope/plan for the DACAG to inform agency work by Priority Area, and measuring change over time to inform our advice
- The DACAG is committed to developing and submitting more comment letters across more Priority Areas to ensure our advice is recorded beyond our meeting minutes and reaches you

Gratitude for CPUC & CEC Commissioners & Staff

CPUC

- Commissioners
 - Karen Douglas
 - Darcie L. Houck
- Energy Division Staff
 - Judith Ikle, Program Manager
 - Cheryl Cox, Program and Project Supervisor
 - Zara Jamshed, Sr. Equity Analyst
- Legal Support
 - Vanessa Baldwin, Legal Support

CEC

- Commissioners
 - Noemí Otilia Osuna Gallardo
 - Nancy Skinner
- Public Advisor
 - Ryan Briscoe Young (Current)
 - Mona Badie (Former)
- Sierra Graves, Director of Tribal Affairs, Agency Tribal Advisor
- Jessica Bonitz, Deputy Public Advisor
- Dorothy Murimi
- Reneé Webster-Hawkins and Rachel Shuen, Legal Support
- DACAG Liaisons (staff representing Program Divisions)
 - Mabel Lopez
 - Martin Flores
 - Elicia Yoffee
 - Rachel Salazar
 - Sebastian Rubio Ruiz
 - Monica Steele
 - Eli Harland

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Commissioner's Reports



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The CPUC thanks you for
participating in today's meeting

The next Public Meeting will be:

September 17, 2026

11:00 a.m.

San Marcos, CA

