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CPUC SET TO DISCUSS UTILITY SUPPLIER DIVERSITY AT ANNUAL EVENT

SAN FRANCISCO, September 14, 2017 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), in its ongoing efforts to promote diversity in utility company practices, will hold its 15th annual public hearing to examine the diversity programs of the state's regulated utilities.

WHAT: CPUC Annual Diversity En Banc: *Supplier Diversity: Broadening the Opportunity for Prosperity*

WHEN: October 5, 2017, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Sheraton Fairplex Hotel & Conference Center, 601 W. McKinley Ave., Pomona

The CPUC's Commissioners will be joined by the Honorable Gwen Moore, executives of investor-owned utilities, community leaders, and others to review the progress, commitments, and initiatives made to increase procurement by regulated utilities and other entities from women, minority, disabled veteran, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender owned businesses. The CPUC will also discuss its commitment to diversity, and will hear from community based organizations and other interested parties who will share their views on creating supplier diversity programs.

Representatives of industry, government, academia, labor, community-based organizations, and other interested parties are expected to attend. Members of the public are invited to attend, and a public comment session will be held.

If you plan to attend and need specialized accommodations, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at least five business days in advance of the meeting at CPUC Public Advisor, 505 Van Ness Ave., Room 2103, San Francisco, CA 94102 or call 1-866-849-8390 or 1-415-703-2074; or email public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov.

While a quorum of Commissioners and/or their staff may attend the En Banc, no official action will be taken.

For more information, please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/supplierdiversity.

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