



California Public Utilities Commission 16th Annual Supplier Diversity En Banc

October 4, 2018

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Richmond Memorial Auditorium & Convention Center
403 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA 94804

**“General Order 156-
Next Generation of Supplier Diversity Excellence”**

AGENDA

9 – 9:05 a.m.

Welcome

Tom Butt, Mayor of Richmond

9:05 – 9:30 a.m.

Opening Remarks

Michael Picker, *President, CPUC*

Carla J. Peterman, *Commissioner, CPUC*

Liane M. Randolph, *Commissioner, CPUC*

Martha Guzman Aceves, *Commissioner, CPUC*

Clifford Rechtschaffen, *Commissioner, CPUC*

Steven Bradford, *Senator, 35th District*

*The Honorable Gwen Moore, Former California State Assemblymember and Founder and
Chief Executive Officer of GeM Communications Group*

9:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Summary of Utility Performance & Report to the Legislature on GO 156

Stephanie Green – Supplier Diversity Manager, CPUC





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9:45 – 10:30 a.m.

The Diverse Community Perspective on General Order 156

Moderator — The Honorable Gwen Moore – former Assembly Member

Pat Fong Kushida, President & CEO, CALASIAN Chamber of Commerce
Julian Canete, President & CEO, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
Tracy Stanhoff, President, American Indian Chamber of Commerce
Aubry Stone, President & CEO, California Black Chamber of Commerce
Paul Prendergast, Vice President of Public Policy, Golden Gate Business Association
Cole Woodman, Chairman, VIB Network Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise
Schenae Rourk, President, National Association of Women Business Owners-LA

10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Alternative Energy Markets- Exploring the Possibilities

Moderator — Michael Picker, Commissioner

Dawn Weisz, CEO, Marin Clean Energy (CCA)
Beth Vaughan, Executive Director, California Community Choice Association
Janice Lin, Co-Founder & Executive Director, California Energy Storage Alliance
Rick Umoff, California Director, Solar Energy Industries Association
Bernadette Del Chiaro, Executive Director, California Solar & Storage Association
Felicia Mayo, Vice President, Diversity & Inclusion, Tesla

11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Strategic Sourcing-Navigating the Future of Procurement

Moderator — Clifford Rechtschaffen, Commissioner

Dawn Gilbert, Director of Supplier Diversity, Frontier Communications
Sydney Furbush, Supplier Diversity Manager, San Diego Gas & Electric
Joe Chow, Supplier Diversity Manager, Southern California Gas
Frank Robinson, Managing Director, Union Bank
Travis Walser, Senior Vice President, PAR Electrical Contractors, Inc.





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12 – 12:30 p.m.
Public Comments – The Supplier's Perspective

(No more than 3 minutes per speaker)

12:30 – 1: 30 p.m.
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1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Executive Energy Panel- The Power of Performance

Moderator – Carla J. Peterman, Commissioner

Scott Drury, President, San Diego Gas & Electric

Patti Wagner, CEO, Southern California Gas Company

Ron Nichols, President, Southern California Edison

Steve Malnight, SVP Energy Supply & Policy, Pacific Gas & Electric Company

Karen S. Haller, Executive Vice President/Chief Legal & Administrative Officer, Southwest Gas

Glenn LaPorte, Director of Procurement, PacifiCorp

2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Executive Telco & Water Panel- Meeting the Challenge

Moderator — Liane Randolph, Commissioner

Kenneth Northrup, SVP of Finance & Strategic Sourcing, Frontier Communications

James Blain, Director of Procurement & Supplier Diversity, Sprint Corporation

Jalayna F. Bolden AVP Global Supply Chain & Strategic Initiatives, AT&T

Eric F. Reed, Vice President, Entertainment/Tech Policy, Verizon Wireless

George Richter, SVP of Supply Chain Management, Cox Communications

Jeff Votaw, Vice President of Engineering, Comcast Cable Corporation

Michelle Hawkins PMP, SVP Strategic Procurement, Charter Communications

Michael Simpson, Sr. VP Technology Procurement, Planning & Development, T-Mobile

Rich Svindland, President, California American Water

3:30 – 3:45 p.m.

Closing Remarks

President Michael Picker, CPUC

