

CPUC Public Agenda 3525

Thursday, April 6, 2023, 11:00 a.m.

Commissioners:

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Utilities Commission

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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

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- 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.
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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 must call in to toll-free number:



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- Public Comment is not permitted on the following items:
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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 are:
1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 46.
- 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.
- **No Items** from the Regular Agenda have been added to the Consent Agenda.
- Any Commissioner may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion on the Regular Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **Item 14** has been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- **No Items** has been withdrawn.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:
 - **Held to: 4/27/2023 2, 3, 4, and 5.**
 - **Held to: 5/18/2023 10**

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 #14 [21421] – Mechanisms for Review of Electric and Gas Cost Recovery Requests for Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and Other Federal Programs

Res E-5254

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Describes process by which the investor-owned utilities (IOUs) should seek to recover costs associated with matching funds and other costs associated with participation in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), and the Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors and Science Act (CHIPS).
- Directs IOUs to establish a memorandum account to track project costs and taxes associated with grants awarded under the IIJA, IRA, and CHIPS.
- Establishes a tracking mechanism for IOUs to regularly report to Energy Division via quarterly information-only advice letters on planning, seeking, and implementation of IIJA, IRA, and CHIPS awards.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations with the implementation of this resolution. The dispersion of federal funding described herein should support enhanced resiliency for utility power systems in a time of extreme weather and worsening climate impacts.

ESTIMATED COST:

- Costs are unknown at this time as the IIJA grant programs are accepting applications through 2026. It is expected that federal funding will partially displace the need for future ratepayer funding, which could lead to long-term ratepayer costs savings on projects that otherwise would be fully ratepayer funded.

Regular Agenda | Energy Orders

Item #47 [21341] – Rules for the Microgrid Incentive Program

R.19-09-009

Order Instituting Rulemaking Regarding Microgrids Pursuant to Senate Bill 1339 and Resiliency Strategies.

Ratesetting

Comr. Shiroma - Judge Rizzo

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Pursuant to Ordering Paragraphs 6-7 of Decision 21-01-018, adopts implementation rules for the Microgrid Incentive Program.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- \$200 million to be paid by the ratepayers of Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company for the Microgrid Incentive Program.

Regular Agenda | Energy Orders (continued)

Item #48 [21422] – Codes and Standards Subprograms and Budgets and Staff Proposal on Reducing Ratepayer-Funded Incentives for Gas Energy Efficiency Measures

A.22-02-005, A.22-03-003, A.22-03-004, A.22-03-005, A.22-03-007, A.22-03-008, A.22-03-011, and A.22-03-012 - Related matters.

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Approval of 2024-2031 Energy Efficiency Business Plan and 2024-2027 Portfolio Plan.

Ratesetting

Comr. Shiroma - Judge Kao

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Beginning in program year 2024, prohibits ratepayer-funded incentives for certain gas energy efficiency measures in residential and commercial new construction projects.
- Establishes a framework and process for further development of policies applicable to gas energy efficiency measures with a viable electric alternative.
- Provides guidance for codes and standards subprograms and budgets.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- Directs the large investor-owned utilities to expend up to \$600,000 for evaluation studies.

Item #49 [21487]

**Management Report on Administrative Actions and Consumer
Protection and Safety Activities**

Management Reports



Commissioner's Reports



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The CPUC thanks you for participating in today's meeting

The next Public Meeting will be:

April 27, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Remotely





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