

# CPUC Public Agenda 3541

Thursday, February 15, 2024, 11:00 a.m.

## **Commissioners:**

Alice Reynolds, President

Genevieve Shiroma

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John Reynolds

Karen Douglas

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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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- Public Comment is not permitted on the following items:
  - 22, 24, 25, 29, 32

# 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, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, and 54.**
- 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 57** from the Regular Agenda has 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.
- **Items 15, 16, and 17** have been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- **Item 3** has been withdrawn.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:

**Held to 3/7/2024: 2, 9, 13, 35, and 49.**

# 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](http://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 #15 [22254] – Broadband Infrastructure Grant Account Applications of Cruzio Media, Inc.

Res T-17810

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### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Approves up to \$5,650,000 from the California Advanced Services Fund for the Broadband Infrastructure Grant Account applications of Cruzio Media, Inc. for its Equal Access Summits to the Sea project.
- Authorizes Cruzio to construct a fixed-wireless hybrid middle-mile and last-mile broadband network that will enable speeds of up to 1 gigabit per second (Gbps) download and 1 Gbps upload to 759 unserved locations in San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and Monterey Counties. The new network will include 55 wireless hubs across the project area providing access to middle mile connectivity at speeds of 10 Gbps.

### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The California Advanced Services Fund program encourages deployment of broadband throughout the State to enable the public to access Internet-based safety applications, telehealth services, access to emergency services, and to allow first responders to communicate with each other and collaborate during emergencies. The proposed project areas are located within Tier 2 and Tier 3 fire-threat zones where reliable broadband Internet service will promote public safety and play an important role in response and recovery from future fires.

### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- \$5,650,000.



## Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions (continued)

### Item #16 [22255] – California Advanced Services Fund Grant Application of Anza Electric Cooperative, Inc. for the ConnectAnza Phase 3 Project

Res T-17807

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#### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Requires staff to release \$688,431 for the Connect Anza Phase 3 Project approved by Ministerial Letter dated November 30,2023.

#### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The ConnectAnza Phase 3 Project will provide safety and health benefits including, but not limited to, resilient high-capacity broadband infrastructure that will provide access to emergency services and information, e-health services, and voice service that will meet all safety standards, including E911.

#### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- \$688,431.

## Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions (continued)

### Item #17 [22256] – Kwikbit Internet, Inc., Grant Application for the Mobile Home Park 1 Project

Res T-17808

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#### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Approves funding for the grant application of Kwikbit Internet, Inc., from the California Advanced Services Fund up to the amount of \$889,083 for the Mobile Home Park 1 Project for unserved areas in Orange, Los Angeles, Riverside and San Diego Counties.
- Authorizes Kwikbit to deploy a fixed wireless network that will enable high-speed broadband service at speeds of up to 1 gigabit per second download and 1 Gbps upload to 197 unserved households located within 4 Manufactured Home Parks in Orange, Los Angeles, Riverside and San Diego Counties.

#### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The California Advanced Services Fund program encourages deployment of broadband throughout the State to enable the public to access Internet-based safety applications, telehealth services, emergency services, and to allow first responders to communicate with each other and collaborate during emergencies.

#### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- \$889,083.

## Regular Agenda | Energy Orders

### Item #55 [22242] – Community Based Organization Energy Arrearages Case Management Pilot R.18-07-005

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Consider New Approaches to Disconnections and Reconnections to Improve Energy Access and Contain Costs.

*Quasi-Legislative*

*Comr. Houck - Judge Wang*

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#### PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Approves a Community-Based Organization Arrears Case Management Pilot Program to reduce residential energy service disconnections by Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Gas Company.
- Directs utilities to contract with community-based organizations to assist up to 12,000 customers with managing their unpaid bills, enrolling in energy assistance and energy efficiency programs, and arranging bill payment plans.

#### SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- This decision may improve safety for residential energy utility customers by reducing service disconnections.

#### ESTIMATED COST:

- The estimated implementation cost of the pilot program is \$11,240,000.

## Regular Agenda | Energy Orders (continued)

### Item #56 [22249] – 2023 Integrated Resource Planning Preferred System Plan and Related Matters, and Addressing Two Petitions for Modification

**R.20-05-003**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Continue Electric Integrated Resource Planning and Related Procurement Processes.

***Ratesetting***

***Comr. Alice Reynolds - Judge Fitch***

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#### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Adopts a Preferred System Plan (PSP) and Portfolio based on a greenhouse gas emissions target of 25 million metric tons by 2035. Incorporates the preferred portfolio planning preferences included in the 2022 individual integrated resource plans (IRPs) of all load-serving entities (LSEs) within the Commission's IRP purview. Recommends the PSP portfolio to the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) as the reliability and policy-driven base case for the 2024-2025 Transmission Planning Process.
- Denies a petition for modification (PFM) of Decision (D.) 21-06-035 related to required procurement of resources to replace, in part, the energy from Diablo Canyon Power Plant. Also grants, in modified form, a PFM addressing the long lead-time procurement requirements in D.21-06-035 and D.23-02-040.

#### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The IRP and procurement processes seek to ensure that the electricity system remains safe and reliable through the purchase of sufficient generation, storage, and demand-side resources by LSEs.

#### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- This decision includes planning based on modeled cost assumptions. Actual resource costs will be dependent on LSE procurement activities between now and 2035. Also adds \$18 million to support Commission staff modeling efforts for integrated resource planning over the next six years.

# 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:

**March 7, 2024**

**11:00 a.m.**

**San Francisco, CA**





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