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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Identify Disadvantaged Communities in the San Joaquin Valley and Analyze Economically Feasible Options to Increase Access to Affordable Energy in those Disadvantaged Communities.

Rulemaking 15-03-010
(Filed March 26, 2015)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING SETTING WORKSHOP AND
REQUIRING PRE-WORKSHOP STATEMENTS**

This ruling sets a workshop for August 31, 2016 commencing at 10:00 a.m., in the Commission's Courtyard room, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California. The purpose of the workshop is for the Data working group and Survey working group to report on their progress and determine next steps in this proceeding. An agenda for the workshop is attached to this ruling as Attachment A.

The Data working group and the Survey working group are directed to report on their progress at the workshop and circulate to the service list a public version of their reports by the close of business on August 29, 2016. Specific to the Data working group, we direct for the following information to be included in Microsoft EXCEL and PDF format:

1. A single data set for the identified communities, an explanation of the methodology used in compiling the data, and the following information for each community: (to be completed by the Office of Ratepayer Advocates):
 - a. Community name;
 - b. Population;

- c. Distance to the nearest natural gas distribution system and/or transmission system, whichever is closer;
 - d. Whether or not the Community is “partially served” with natural gas (Y/N);
 - e. Whether or not the Community receives gas or electric service from both an investor-owned utility and a publicly-owned utility (Y/N, Gas/Electric); and
 - f. Existing low income energy program eligibility/participation rates.
2. Cost estimates for three gas extension projects recently completed in the affected San Joaquin Valley counties. (to be completed jointly by the Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, and Southern California Gas Company):
 - a. The three gas extension projects should represent different distances to existing natural gas pipelines and vary in scope. If the investor-owned utilities (IOUs) have completed a project which extended gas service to existing households in the last five years, then please include information for at least one project under that scenario; and
 - b. The IOUs shall present data on the costs of the projects broken down into major categories rather than line items.
 3. Suggested options for grouping the identified communities for the purpose of evaluating feasibility of affordable energy options.

For the workshop, the IOUs are directed to prepare the following materials to help put the data into context and to facilitate parties’ participation during the workshop:

1. The eligibility requirements for all existing Commission-jurisdictional programs and tariffs identified by parties in comments to Question 3(a) in Attachment 3 of the December 9, 2015 Scoping Memo in R.15-03-010;

2. A list of other local, state and federal programs accessible to the identified communities;
3. A map or maps illustrating the identified communities for each IOU service territory; and
4. A map or maps that illustrate i) the geographic boundaries of each identified community that completely lack natural gas service, and ii) the nearest natural gas distribution or transmission system.

IT IS SO RULED.

Dated August 23, 2016, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ S. PAT TSEN
S. Pat Tsen
Administrative Law Judge

Attachment A

Workshop in Rulemaking 15-03-010

San Joaquin Valley Disadvantaged Communities

AB 2672 Reporting Activities of Working Groups

August 31, 2016: 10:00 – 4:00pm

CPUC Courtyard Room, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco CA

[Teleconference: 1-866-630-5989](tel:1-866-630-5989); [Participant Code: 3362110](#)

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

10:15 pm – 12:00 pm Data

- I. Presentation by Data Working Group regarding pipeline distance to identified communities
 - a. Comprehensive data set for identified communities, including distance to gas system and existing program eligibility/participation rates
 - b. Cost estimate under different gas extension scenarios
 - c. Options for grouping communities
- II. Presentation by ORA regarding pipeline distance to all identified communities
- III. Discussion

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm Continued discussion from morning session

2:00pm – 3:00 pm Updates from Survey Working Group

- I. Status Update Status Update -Community survey (working group led by Natural Resources Defense Council)
- II. Discussion

3:00 pm – 4:00pm Wrap Up and Next Steps

(END OF ATTACHMENT A)