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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the Commission's own motion to consider alternative-fueled vehicle tariffs, infrastructure and policies to support California's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals.

Rulemaking 09-08-009
(Filed August 20, 2009)

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE**Summary**

This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding to March 27, 2013.

Background

Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5(a) provides that quasi-legislative cases, such as this proceeding, shall be resolved within 18 months of the date on which a scoping memo is issued unless the Commission makes findings regarding why that deadline cannot be met and issues an order extending the 18-month deadline for a period not exceeding 60 days.

The amended scoping memo for this proceeding was issued on July 28, 2011. Therefore, the 18-month deadline for resolving this proceeding is January 26, 2013. This rulemaking is an active proceeding. The Commission has issued several decisions addressing Phase 1, Phase 2, a rehearing decision, and several requests for compensation decisions. On January 31, 2012, the assigned

Administrative Law Judge's (ALJ) issued a ruling providing additional guidance to the investor-owned utilities (IOUs) regarding their Phase 3 compliance obligations. Parties actively commented and responded to the ALJ ruling. A ruling providing additional guidance on Load Research Reports was issued on August 21, 2012, which directed the IOUs to file a Tier 2 advice letter with the Commission outlining their research plan and any requested funding needs on or before September 30, 2012. A workshop was held on January 8, 2013 on submetering. An extension of the statutory deadline until March 27, 2013 is necessary to give the Commission time to consider the remaining topics.

Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6 (c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of proposed decisions extending the deadline for resolving ratesetting proceedings. Accordingly, the otherwise applicable period for public review and comment is being waived.

Assignment of Proceeding

Michael R. Peevey is the assigned Commissioner and Regina M. DeAngelis is the assigned ALJ in this proceeding.

Finding of Fact

A 60-day extension of time to March 27, 2013, is needed to give the Commission time to deliberate on the remaining topics.

Conclusions of Law

1. The Commission should extend the deadline in this proceeding to March 27, 2013, as allowed by Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5(a).
2. In accordance with Rule 14.6(c)(4) the comment period should be waived.

3. This order should be effective immediately.

IT IS ORDERED that the statutory deadline in this proceeding is extended to March 27, 2013.

This order is effective today.

Dated _____, at San Francisco, California.