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## **CPUC NAMES INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

SAN FRANCISCO, December 19, 2014 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today announced that Timothy Sullivan will serve as interim Executive Director.

Mr. Sullivan has worked at the CPUC in various capacities for 26 years, most recently as Acting Chief Administrative Law Judge. Under Mr. Sullivan's leadership, the Administrative Law Judge Division made substantial progress in managing CPUC proceedings. In the last two months alone, the 33 Administrative Law Judges helped the CPUC to issue more than 140 decisions and close 61 proceedings. Prior to becoming Acting Chief Administrative Law Judge, Mr. Sullivan served as Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge and an Administrative Law Judge, where his most notable recent proceeding developed privacy rules to protect consumer data.

Mr. Sullivan brings both a family tradition of public service and expert training to the position of interim Executive Director. His immigrant grandfathers were firefighters and his father was a police officer, all in New York City. Mr. Sullivan earned an undergraduate degree in mathematics from Yale and trained for public service at Harvard, earning a Master in Public Policy in 1976 and a Ph.D in 1980. His thesis resulted in a book, *Resolving Development Disputes Through Negotiation* (Plenum, 1984).

Mr. Sullivan lives in Berkeley and is married to Karen Ericksen, Professor (Emerita) of Psychology at the University of California, Davis.

Mr. Sullivan replaces Paul Clanon who has retired after 30 years of public service.

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