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CPUC SEEKS INPUT INTO MODERNIZING AND UPDATING UTILITY RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

SAN FRANCISCO, January 28, 2015 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today continued its work to modernize and improve the efficacy of its regulatory oversight by soliciting input concerning the rules and requirements that are applicable to public utilities in California that appear to be out of date.

The CPUC is undertaking a review and assessment of its existing organization, processes, and procedures to identify areas in which improvements may be possible. In furtherance of these goals, CPUC staff compiled a preliminary list of rules and requirements in existing CPUC General Orders and utility reporting requirements that appear to be out of date and potentially appropriate for updating. The list identifies why each rule is ripe for updating and recommends next steps. CPUC staff seeks comments through a Solicitation for Input on the substantive merits of updating each rule, as well as the best processes for the CPUC to follow.

The Solicitation is available at www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/hottopics/7other/sfi.htm. There is a subscription option for those interested in receiving the comments that are submitted.

Rules and requirements applicable to utilities may become outdated due to a variety of reasons, including changes in markets, technologies, state or federal law, and other causes, and may warrant revision or repeal. The Solicitation is an opportunity for CPUC staff to ask questions and receive informal comments from the public. Comments received will help inform the nature and scope of future actions that the CPUC may take to update rules and requirements applicable to entities under the CPUC's jurisdiction. The CPUC will not issue a Decision based solely on the comments

received in the Solicitation.

Comments and Reply Comments are due within 30 and 45 days, respectively.

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