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**CPUC SET TO DISCUSS UTILITY SUPPLIER DIVERSITY PROGRAMS AT ANNUAL EVENT**

SAN FRANCISCO, September 13, 2016 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), in its ongoing efforts to promote diversity in utility company practices, will hold its 14<sup>th</sup> annual public hearing to examine the diversity programs of the state's regulated utilities.

**WHAT:** CPUC Annual Diversity En Banc: General Order 156 – Supplier Diversity: Success through Leadership and Synergy

**WHEN:** Sept. 21, 2016, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** South San Francisco Conference Center, 255 South Airport Blvd., South San Francisco

The CPUC's Commissioners will be joined by the Honorable Gwen Moore, executives of investor-owned utilities, community leaders, and others to review the progress, commitments, and initiatives made to increase procurement by regulated utilities and other entities from women, minority, disabled veteran, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender owned businesses. The CPUC will also discuss its commitment to diversity, and will hear from community based organizations and other interested parties who will share their views on creating supplier diversity programs.

Representatives of industry, government, academia, labor, community-based organizations, and other interested parties are expected to attend. Members of the public are invited, and a public comment session will be held.

If you plan to attend and need specialized accommodations, please contact the CPUC's Public



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While a quorum of Commissioners and/or their staff may attend the En Banc, no official action will be taken.

For more information, including an agenda, please visit [www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/supplierdiversity](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/supplierdiversity).

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