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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to
Continue Oversight of Electric
Integrated Resource Planning and
Procurement Processes.

Rulemaking 25-06-019

ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER'S SCOPING MEMO AND RULING

This scoping memo and ruling sets forth the issues, need for hearing, schedule, category, and other matters necessary to scope this proceeding pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 1701.1 and Article 7 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules).

1. Procedural Background

This Order Instituting Rulemaking (OIR) was initiated by the Commission on June 26, 2025 as the new primary venue for the Commission's oversight of the integrated resources planning (IRP) process, which was designed in Rulemaking (R.) 16-02-007 and continued in R.20-05-003. The primary ongoing requirements for the IRP process are contained in two sections of the Public Utilities Code: (1) Section 454.51, which requires the Commission to identify a diverse and balanced portfolio of resources to ensure a reliable electricity supply that integrates renewable energy and provides diversity in a cost-effective manner; and (2) Section 454.52, which requires each load-serving entity (LSE) to file an individual IRP. In addition to a focus on reliability, this proceeding is also the primary venue for plans to achieve the goals of Senate Bill (SB) 350 (Stats. 2015, Ch. 547) related to IRP and the environmental goals of SB 100 (Stats. 2018,

Ch. 312) for reductions of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the electricity sector in California.

Comments in response to the OIR were filed by the following parties: Alliance for Retail Energy Markets; American Clean Power – California; Ava Community Energy; Bioenergy Association of California; California Community Choice Association (CalCCA); California Environmental Justice Alliance; Center for Energy Efficient and Renewable Technologies; Coalition of California Utility Employees and California Unions for Reliable Energy, jointly; Defenders of Wildlife; Environmental Defense Fund; Fervo Energy; Form Energy, Inc.; Golden State Clean Energy; Green Power Institute; Issam Najm; L. Jan Reid; Large-Scale Solar Association; Mainspring Energy; Mussey Grade Road Alliance; Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E); Port of Long Beach; Protect Our Communities Foundation; Public Advocates Office; REV Renewables; San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E); Small Business Utility Advocates (SBUA); Sonoma Clean Power Authority and Peninsula Clean Energy, jointly; Southern California Edison Company (SCE); Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas); The Nature Conservancy; The Utility Reform Network; Vehicle Grid Integration Council; Vote Solar; and XGS Energy, Inc.

Reply comments in response to the OIR were filed by the following parties: CalCCA; California Wind Energy Association; Center for Biological Diversity; Clean Power San Francisco; Independent Energy Producers; PG&E; SBUA; SCE; SDG&E; and SoCalGas.

A prehearing conference (PHC) was held on September 29, 2025 to address the issues of law and fact, determine the need for hearing, set the schedule for resolving the matter, and address other matters as necessary. After considering the comments and reply comments in response to the OIR, the PHC statements,

and discussion at the PHC, I have determined the issues and initial schedule of the proceeding as set forth in this scoping memo.

2. Issues

As in the previous IRP proceedings and the earlier Long-Term Procurement Planning (LTPP) proceedings, we will continue to coordinate, as necessary, with the proceedings addressing specific resource areas, including, but not limited to, energy efficiency, demand response, integrated distributed energy resources, energy storage, renewables portfolio standard, transmission resources, and resource adequacy. In addition, this proceeding will be the primary venue for ongoing coordination between this Commission and the following partners: (1) the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) and its Transmission Planning Process (TPP); (2) the California Energy Commission (CEC) and its Integrated Energy Planning Report (IEPR) process, including the electricity load forecast; (3) the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and its Greenhouse Gas Emissions Scoping Plan and Emissions Inventory processes; and (4) the State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) and its once-through cooling policies.

I anticipate this proceeding to be the venue for the following planned activities for the current IRP cycle:

- Near-term reliability procurement need determination;
- 2026-2027 TPP Portfolio recommendations;
- Dissemination of Filing Requirements for Individual load-serving entity (LSE) Integrated Resource Plans (IRPs);
- Consideration of individual LSE IRPs;
- Development of the next preferred system plan (PSP) portfolio;
- Development of Future TPP Portfolio Recommendations;

- Potential local reliability analysis activity scoping, including coordination of local procurement obligations with resource adequacy proceeding;
- Updates to the investor-owned utility (IOU) bundled procurement plans (BPPs);
- Ongoing monitoring, compliance, and enforcement associated with prior procurement orders issued in the previous IRP proceedings (R.20-05-003 and R.16-02-007), as well as any refinements to the rules associated with those orders;
- Coordination with the Department of Water Resources (DWR) as the centralized procurement entity (CPE) for procurement of long lead-time (LLT) resources; and
- Implementation and enforcement of the Reliable and Clean Power Procurement Program (RCPPP), if a framework for the program is adopted in R.20-05-003.

Each of these issues is discussed in more detail below.

2.1. Near-Term Reliability Procurement Need Determination

As parties are already aware, an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) ruling seeking feedback from parties was issued on September 30, 2025 proposing that the Commission make a near-term determination of the need for electric reliability procurement between 2029 and 2032. The ruling included rationale for potential procurement requirements related to the expiration of federal tax credits for certain resource types, as well as modifications in federal policy generally toward all types of electric generation and storage resources. These issues are therefore within the scope of this proceeding as well. I expect a determination to be made about the need for this procurement by the Commission in a decision by February 2026, in conjunction with the

Commission's 2026-2027 TPP portfolio recommendations described in the next section.

2.2. 2026-2027 TPP Portfolio Development

The September 30, 2025 ALJ ruling also contained a proposal for a Base Case portfolio and one Sensitivity Portfolio to be analyzed in the CAISO's 2026-2027 TPP cycle. Parties were asked to comment on the proposed portfolios. In addition, I expect one additional opportunity for parties to comment on the proposed mapping of resources to transmission busbars in November 2025. A final decision from the Commission on the portfolios to be recommended to the CAISO for the 2026-2027 TPP cycle is expected to be adopted by the Commission in February 2026.

2.3. Filing Requirements for Individual LSE IRPs for the current IRP Cycle

As previously stated in R.20-05-003 and the OIR for this proceeding, each LSE subject to the Commission's IRP oversight is required to file its next individual IRP for this IRP cycle by a date set by the Commission. Leading up to that filing, Commission staff are in the process of updating the requirements for what should be included in the individual LSE IRPs. This includes finalizing the modeling inputs and assumptions to be used for this IRP cycle, as well as updating the templates for the three required portions of the individual IRPs: the narrative template, the resource data template (RDT), and the clean system power (CSP) calculator.

Commission staff anticipate finalizing these materials by the middle of November 2025. LSEs typically request six months thereafter to prepare their individual IRPs for filing. Therefore, this scoping memo sets a date of May 5, 2026 for LSEs to file their next individual IRPs.

2.4. Consideration of Individual LSE IRPs

The individual LSE IRPs are required to be filed in this proceeding, to be reviewed and either approved, certified, or rejected by the Commission. To support this work, any deficiencies identified in individual IRP filings will be flagged and additional information sought from the LSEs, as necessary. In evaluating the IRPs, the Commission will aggregate the individual IRP resources into a CAISO-wide portfolio, and then further analyze the portfolio for its adherence to both reliability and GHG emissions reduction goals, as well as impacts on criteria pollutant emissions. The Commission will also take a holistic look at individual LSE IRPs for how their plans could impact disadvantaged and environmental and social justice communities. In addition, the aggregated portfolio will be analyzed for cost reasonableness and affordability impacts.

2.5. Development of PSP Portfolio

After aggregation of the individual LSE IRPs, the resulting portfolio will be evaluated as a potential basis for, and likely adjusted to form, the next PSP portfolio, for purposes of procurement planning and the CAISO's transmission planning analyses commencing in 2028. Due to timing of the filing of the individual IRPs, the PSP will likely not be able to form the basis for the 2027-2028 TPP. Inputs to that process are discussed in the next section of this ruling.

The PSP portfolio will be evaluated using the Commission's current modeling tools, both RESOLVE for capacity expansion modeling and SERVM for production cost modeling. Commission staff expect to conduct a number of sensitivity analyses to see what variables are the key drivers for cost, GHG impacts, and reliability impacts. At a minimum, a least-cost portfolio will be

evaluated. In addition, the portfolio options will be evaluated for their impact on reducing reliance on the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility.

Included in this portion of the scope of the proceeding is ongoing calibration work to align these models as much as possible given the two models' different functions, including with respect to estimated GHG emissions. In addition, there will be ongoing work related to benchmarking IRP modeling results for their GHG emissions results relative to the actual historical emissions from the electricity sector.

Finally, as part of PSP development, the Commission will evaluate whether additional procurement will be required in the near or medium term to maintain reliability and progress toward GHG emissions reduction goals.

2.6. Future TPP Portfolio Recommendations

As in the past, the Commission will need to continue to recommend a base case portfolio, and potentially sensitivity portfolios as well, to the CAISO for analysis in their annual TPP. In addition, the Commission will use this proceeding to support its role in any additional transmission planning efforts beyond or replacing the CAISO's current annual TPP, including any potential CAISO processes developed to comply with Order 1920 from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). This may include modifying the number, type, cadence, and frequency of portfolios recommended to the CAISO for the TPP.

This proceeding will also be the venue for receiving ongoing results of the CAISO TPP analyses, in order to use them to update our analyses for planning and procurement purposes. Every cycle of TPP results creates information that can be used in the next round of IRP analysis to further assess appropriate

resource and transmission needs. That feedback loop will continue to be used in this proceeding.

Specifically for the 2027-2028 TPP, as described above and in the schedule below, due to the timing of the filing of the individual IRPs and the length of time needed for aggregation of the IRPs and analysis leading to a PSP, it is unlikely this work will be complete in time to inform the portfolios recommended to the CAISO by February 2027. Therefore, in this proceeding we will explore options for updating the TPP portfolios using recent procurement data submitted twice a year by LSEs, as well as other modeling analysis to be assumed to cover the “planned resources” included in individual IRPs.

Finally, ongoing refinements to the methodologies and practices used by Commission, CAISO, and CEC staff to map generation and storage resources to specific busbars on the transmission system will be made in each TPP cycle.

2.7. Long-Term Local Procurement Planning and Related Reliability Analysis

As several parties pointed out in their comments on the OIR and/or their PHC statements, conducting local reliability analysis was in the scope of R.20-05-003. It is also within the scope of this proceeding. The Commission will review potential options for moving forward on long-term procurement planning and this work may include continued refinement of a “local module” for co-optimizing resources and transmission in the RESOLVE model, additional coordination with the resource adequacy proceeding with respect to local CPE procurement activities in scope there, and/or additional coordination with the CAISO on ways to take advantage of their power flow analyses for assessing local reliability needs and their local capacity technical studies.

In this portion of the proceeding, we will also continue to meet the requirements of Senate Bill 887 (Stats. 2022, Ch. 358), which requires the Commission, in consultation with the CEC, to provide, among other things, transmission-focused guidance to the CAISO about resource portfolios of expected future renewable energy resources and zero-carbon resources. While this is consistent with our work with the CEC and CAISO to date, there is further work to be done focusing specifically on transmission facilities needed to interconnect resources, reliably serve load centers, and further reduce dependence on fossil-fueled generation resources in local areas.

2.8. Updates to Investor-Owned Utility Bundled Procurement Plans

This proceeding will be the venue for any necessary modifications to the IOU BPPs, procurement rules and oversight, activities associated with Public Utilities Code Section 454.5, and any other issues that materially impact procurement policies, practices, and/or procedures. In light of the significant market changes and issues raised since the last BPP update in 2015 and other BPP-related issues that have been raised in other procedural venues, the IOUs are asked to submit revised BPPs in this proceeding by April 1, 2026. This timeline will allow for stakeholder input before the Commission considers approving the updated BPPs. Prior to filing their updated BPPs, the IOUs are requested to coordinate with each other and their Procurement Review Groups in filing updates that incorporate structural reforms, including measures to enhance streamlining and efficiency. These updates may also include proposals for oversight processes for short-term renewables portfolio standard (RPS) transactions.

2.9. Ongoing Monitoring, Compliance, and Enforcement of Prior Procurement Orders

The Commission has ordered extensive procurement of electricity resources in R.20-05-003 and R.16-02-007, including 18,800 MW of net qualifying capacity (NQC) between 2021 and 2028.¹ LSEs continue to be required to make semi-annual compliance filings showing their progress toward these requirements. Beginning with the December 1, 2025 procurement compliance filing, LSEs should make their compliance filings in this proceeding instead of R.20-05-003.

Commission staff are conducting ongoing analysis of the compliance filings to determine LSEs' progress and compliance toward the procurement requirements. To the extent that LSEs are found deficient in any of their procurement, compliance and enforcement work will take place in this proceeding. This includes the potential for the Commission to order backstop procurement by IOUs. If modifications or enhancements are needed to the cost recovery policy for any of the required procurement of electric resources, that work will also take place in this proceeding.

To the extent that the Commission needs to refine any compliance requirements with prior procurement orders, including elements of program design, implementation, compliance, and enforcement, this work will occur in this proceeding. This includes any necessary clarifications to the "good faith efforts" standard first mentioned in D.21-06-035.² I expect Commission staff to bring forward a staff proposal for these clarifications in early 2026.

¹ See D.19-11-016, D.21-06-035, and D.23-02-040.

² See D.21-06-035, Ordering Paragraph 5.

Included in the D.21-06-035 and D.23-02-040 procurement requirements are 2,000 MW NQC of LLT resources, including 1,000 MW NQC of long-duration energy storage (LDES) and 1,000 MW NQC of clean firm resources. In this proceeding, we will evaluate progress toward these requirements, as well as coordinate with the LLT resource procurement that will be taking place by DWR according to D.24-08-064.

2.10. Coordination with DWR on CPE Procurement of LLT Resources

In R.20-05-003, through D.24-08-064, the Commission implemented AB 1373 (Stats. 2023, Ch. 367), which allows the Commission to request that DWR serve as a CPE for procurement of certain LLT resources. According to D.24-08-064, over the next several years, DWR will conduct solicitations and evaluate the quality of bids, including efforts to contain costs, received for the potential procurement of up to 10,600 MW nameplate of specified LLT resources to assist in the potential development and deployment of resources that could support our long-term clean energy and GHG emissions reduction goals in California. D.24-08-064 anticipated a process by which DWR could bring proposed contracts back to the Commission for approval. This proceeding will be the venue for the Commission to consider any proposed contracts for LLT resources by DWR. In addition, prior to DWR conducting solicitations, it may be necessary for the Commission to work with DWR on administrative issues associated with DWR's work. If that is necessary, this proceeding will also be the venue for any necessary coordination or decision making. Further, possible future analyses related to the initial need determination findings in D.24-08-063 for centralized procurement of LLT resources will also take place in this proceeding.

2.11. Potential Implementation of RCPMP

On April 29, 2025, in R.20-05-003, an ALJ ruling was issued seeking comments on a staff proposal for the RCPMP. A decision may be issued in R.20-05-003 that adopts an initial framework for the program, based on the record already developed in that proceeding. If a framework decision is adopted, any further decision making, record development, and/or implementation of the IRP-related elements would take place in this proceeding. This work will also be closely coordinated with the resource adequacy rulemaking (R.25-10-003 or its successor) and the RPS rulemaking (R.24-01-017 or its successor), should any elements impact those programs. Further work on elements related to resource adequacy or RPS would take place in those rulemakings, with close coordination to promote alignment across programs. In particular, the Local CPE framework, adopted in the resource adequacy context, will need to be closely coordinated with the ongoing implementation of IRP procurement orders, as well as future procurement efforts.

In addition, the potential implementation of an RCPMP may involve changes to how LSEs submit compliance materials related to procurement. This proceeding will be the venue for holistic consideration of how compliance filing requirements will look under a potential RCPMP, in consultation with the resource adequacy and RPS rulemakings.

3. Category of Proceeding, Ex Parte Restrictions, and Need for Evidentiary Hearing

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require that an OIR preliminarily determine the category of the proceeding and the need for hearing.

This ruling confirms the Commission's preliminary determination³ that this is a ratesetting proceeding. Accordingly, ex parte communications are restricted and must be reported pursuant to Article 8 of the Rules.

The OIR also preliminarily determined that hearings may be necessary. This ruling affirms that determination. If issues arise where parties raise disputed issues of fact, the ALJs will make a provision for parties to request evidentiary hearings. Initially, evidentiary hearings have not been included in the preliminary schedule, since no issues have yet been identified that would require hearings. If those issues do arise, evidentiary hearings will be scheduled at a later date.

4. Schedule

The following schedule is adopted herein and may be modified by the ALJs, as necessary, to promote the efficient and fair resolution of this rulemaking.

EVENT	DATE
Potential Interim Order for Reliability Procurement and 2026-2027 CAISO TPP Recommendations	
<i>ALJ Ruling proposing 2026-2027 TPP portfolios and potential new procurement requirements, for party comment</i>	<i>September 30, 2025</i>
<i>Comments from parties</i>	<i>October 22, 2025</i>
Reply comments	October 31, 2025
Busbar mapping ruling	November 3, 2025
Comments from parties	November 21, 2025
Proposed Decision (PD) issued for comment	4th Quarter 2025

³ OIR at page 19.

EVENT	DATE
Final Commission Decision	No later than February 2026
Individual LSE IRP Filing Requirements	
ALJ ruling containing filing requirements for LSEs for their individual IRPs	Mid-November 2025
Consideration of Individual IRPs and PSP Development	
LSEs file new individual IRPs	May 5, 2026
Initial comments on IRPs from parties	June 8, 2026
Commission staff portfolio aggregation and preparation of proposed PSP portfolio	3rd and 4th Quarters of 2026
ALJ Ruling seeking party comments on proposed PSP	1st or 2nd Quarter 2027
Proposed Decision (PD) addressing IRPs and adopting PSP	2nd or 3rd Quarter 2027
Commission Decision	3rd Quarter 2027
2027-2028 TPP Portfolio Recommendations	
ALJ Ruling proposing 2027-2028 TPP portfolios for party comments	Summer 2026
Comments from parties	Fall 2026
PD	4th Quarter 2026
Commission Decision	No later than February 2027
Long-Term Local Procurement Planning and Reliability Analysis	
Scoping of possible activities	Beginning early 2026
Possible staff proposal and/or workshops	2nd Quarter 2026
Comments from parties	2nd Quarter 2026
Future action related to local issues	To be determined (TBD)

EVENT	DATE
Consideration of IOU BPP Updates	
IOUs to file proposed BPP updates	April 1, 2026
ALJ ruling seeking comments	2nd Quarter 2026
Comments from parties	2nd Quarter 2026
PD adopting updated BPPs	3rd Quarter 2026
Procurement Monitoring and Compliance Issues	
LSE procurement compliance filings	December 1, 2025
LSE procurement compliance filings	June 1, 2026
LSE procurement compliance filings	Every December 1 and June 1 thereafter
ALJ ruling with staff proposal on clarifying procurement compliance requirements, including “good faith effort”	4th Quarter 2025
Comments from parties	4th Quarter 2025 or early 2026
PD adopting compliance clarifications	1st or 2nd Quarter 2026
Coordination with DWR on LLT Resource Procurement	
ALJ ruling seeking comments on path forward	TBD in 2026
Potential RCPPP Implementation	
TBD if initial program framework decision is adopted in R.20-05-003	TBD

Based on this schedule above, and given the complexity of this proceeding and the large number of issues, this proceeding will be resolved within 24 months as provided for by Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5. The proceeding is expected to conclude with the adoption of the next PSP and portfolio.

5. Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Program and Settlements

The Commission's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) program offers mediation, early neutral evaluation, and facilitation services, and uses ALJs who have been trained as neutrals. At the parties' request, the assigned ALJ can refer this proceeding to the Commission's ADR Coordinator. Additional ADR information is available on the Commission's website.⁴

Any settlement between parties, whether regarding all or some of the issues, shall comply with Article 12 of the Rules and shall be served in writing. Such settlements shall include a complete explanation of the settlement and a complete explanation of why it is reasonable in light of the whole record, consistent with the law and in the public interest. The proposing parties bear the burden of proof as to whether the settlement should be adopted by the Commission.

6. Public Outreach

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 1711(a), where feasible and appropriate, before determining the scope of the proceeding, the Commission sought the participation of those likely to be affected, including those likely to derive benefit from, and those potentially subject to, a decision in this proceeding. This matter was noticed on the Commission's daily calendar. Where feasible and appropriate, this matter was incorporated into engagements conducted by the Commission's External Affairs Division with local governments and other interested parties.

⁴ <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/adr/>

In addition, the Commission served the OIR on the service list of the previous IRP rulemaking, in addition to all of the resource-specific proceedings at the Commission, including those related to climate change adaptation, resource adequacy, Diablo Canyon Power Plant operations, energy efficiency, net energy metering, distributed energy resources, high distributed energy resources, integrated distributed energy resources, self-generation incentive program, renewables portfolio standard program, demand response, demand flexibility, building decarbonization, Energy Resource Recovery Account and Power Charge Indifference Adjustment policies, transportation electrification, Electric Program Investment Charge, and long-term gas planning.⁵

7. Intervenor Compensation

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 1804(a)(1), a customer who intends to seek an award of compensation must file and serve a notice of intent to claim compensation by October 29, 2025, 30 days after the prehearing conference.

8. Response to Public Comments

Parties may, but are not required to, respond to written comments received from the public. Parties may do so by posting such response using the “Add Public Comment” button on the “Public Comment” tab of the online docket card for the proceeding.

9. Public Advisor

Any person interested in participating in this proceeding who is unfamiliar with the Commission’s procedures or has questions about the electronic filing procedures is encouraged to obtain more information at

⁵ All of the proceedings served are listed in the OIR in Table 1 at page 9-10.

<https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/about-cpuc/divisions/news-and-public-information-office/public-advisors-office> or contact the Commission's Public Advisor at 866-849-8390 or 866-836-7825 (TTY), or send an e-mail to public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov.

10. Filing, Service, and Service List

The official service list has been created and is on the Commission's website. Parties should confirm that their information on the service list is correct and serve notice of any errors on the Commission's Process office, the service list, and the ALJ. Persons may become a party pursuant to Rule 1.4.⁶

When serving any document, each party must ensure that it is using the current official service list on the Commission's website.

This proceeding will follow the electronic service protocol set forth in Rule 1.10. All parties to this proceeding shall serve documents and pleadings using electronic mail, whenever possible, transmitted no later than 5:00 p.m., on the date scheduled for service to occur. Rule 1.10 requires service on the ALJ of both an electronic and a paper copy of filed or served documents. However, the ALJs in this proceeding required electronic service only. Parties should not send hard copies of documents to the ALJs unless specifically requested to do so.

When serving documents on Commissioners or their personal advisors, whether or not they are on the official service list, parties must only provide electronic service. Parties must not send hard copies of documents to Commissioners or their personal advisors unless specifically instructed to do so.

Persons who are not parties but wish to receive electronic service of documents filed in the proceeding may contact the Process Office at

⁶ The form to request additions and changes to the Service list may be found at <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/-/media/cpuc-website/divisions/administrative-law-judge-division/documents/additiontoservicelisttranscriptordercompliant.pdf>

process_office@cpuc.ca.gov to request addition to the “Information Only” category of the official service list pursuant to Rule 1.9(f).

The Commission encourages those who seek information-only status on the service list to consider the Commission’s subscription service as an alternative. The subscription service sends individual notifications to each subscriber of formal e-filings tendered and accepted by the Commission. Notices sent through subscription service are less likely to be flagged by spam or other filters. Notifications can be for a specific proceeding, a range of documents and daily or weekly digests.

11. Receiving Electronic Service from the Commission

Parties and other persons on the service list are advised that it is the responsibility of each person or entity on the service list for Commission proceedings to ensure their ability to receive emails from the Commission. Please add “@cpuc.ca.gov” to your email safe sender list and update your email screening practices, settings and filters to ensure receipt of emails from the Commission.

12. Assignment of Proceeding

President Alice Reynolds is the assigned commissioner and Julie A. Fitch and Colin Rizzo are the assigned ALJs and presiding officers for the proceeding.

IT IS RULED that:

1. The scope of this proceeding is described in Section 2 of this ruling and is adopted.
2. The schedule of this proceeding is set forth in Section 4 of this ruling and is adopted.

3. Evidentiary hearing may be needed in this proceeding. The Administrative Law Judges shall, at the appropriate time, make provisions for parties to request evidentiary hearings on specific issues.

4. The presiding officers are Administrative Law Judge Julie A. Fitch and Colin Rizzo.

5. The category of the proceeding is ratesetting.

6. Ex parte communications in this proceeding shall be reported according to Article 8 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Dated October 28, 2025, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ALICE REYNOLDS

Alice Reynolds
Assigned Commissioner