

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Order Instituting Rulemaking to Improve the California
Climate Credit

R.25-07-013
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM INTERVENOR COMPENSATION AND, IF REQUESTED (and [X] checked), ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING ON CENTRAL CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE NETWORK'S SHOWING OF SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

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Icompcoordinator@cpuc.ca.gov.

Customer or Eligible Local Government Entity (party intending to claim intervenor compensation): CENTRAL CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE NETWORK			
Assigned Commissioner: Ali	ice Reynolds	Administrative Law Judge: Maria Sotero	
I hereby certify that the inform is true to my best knowledge, is		orth in Parts I, II, III and IV of this Notice of Intent elief.	
	Signature:	/s/ Angela Islas	
Date: December 22, 2025	Printed Name:	Angela Islas	

PART I: PROCEDURAL ISSUES (To be completed by the party intending to claim intervenor compensation)

A. Status as "customer" (see Pub. Util. Code § 1802(b)) ² The party claims	Applies
"customer" status because the party is (check one):	(check)
1. A Category 1 customer is an actual customer whose self-interest in the	
proceeding arises primarily from his/her role as a customer of the utility and, at	
the same time, the customer must represent the broader interests of at least	
some other customers. See, for example, D.08-07-019 at 5-10).	

¹ DO NOT CHECK THIS BOX if a finding of significant financial hardship is not needed (in cases where there is a valid rebuttable presumption of eligibility (Part III(A)(3)) or significant financial hardship showing has been deferred to the intervenor compensation claim).

² All statutory references are to California Public Utilities Code unless indicated otherwise.

2. A Category 2 customer is a representative who has been authorized by actual customers to represent them. Category 2 involves a more formal arrangement where a customer or a group of customers selects a more skilled person to represent the customer's views in a proceeding. A customer or group of customers may also form or authorize a group to represent them, and the group, in turn, may authorize a representative such as an attorney to represent the group.	
3. A Category 3 customer is a formally organized group authorized, by its articles of incorporation or bylaws to represent the interests of residential customers or small commercial customers receiving bundled electric service from an electrical corporation (§1802(b)(1)(C)). Certain environmental groups that represent residential customers with concerns for the environment may also qualify as Category 3 customers, even if the above requirement is not specifically met in the articles or bylaws. See D.98-04-059, footnote at 30.	V
4. The party's detailed explanation of the selected customer category.	
The party's explanation of its status as a Category 1 customer. A party seeking status as a Category 1 customer must describe the party's own interest in the proceeding and show how the customer's participation goes beyond just his/her own self-interest and will benefit other customers. Supporting documents must include a copy of the utility's bill. The party's explanation of its status as a Category 2 customer. A party seeking status as a Category 2 customer must identify the residential customer(s) being represented and provide authorization from at least one customer. The party's explanation of its status as a Category 3 customer. If the party represents residential and small commercial customers receiving bundled electric service from an electrical corporation, it must include in the Notice of Intent either the percentage of group members that are residential ratepayers or the percentage of the members who are receiving bundled electric service from an electrical corporation. Supporting documentation for this customer category must include current copies of the articles of incorporation or bylaws. If current copies of the articles and bylaws have already been filed with the Commission, only a specific reference (the proceeding's docket number and the date of filing) to such filings needs to be made. CCEJN is a nonprofit organization that partners with community-based organizations (CBOs) in disadvantaged communities in pursuit of environmental justice and equitable community development. Its mission, pursuant to its adopted	
bylaws, is to empower communities and secure our children's future by eliminating negative environmental impacts in low income and communities of color in the Central Valley.	

CCEJN serves residents whose interests include the concerns that policies or programs do not disproportionately and negatively impact low-income, disadvantaged communities; that such communities receive just and equitable benefits from new regulations, policies, or programs; and that the program at issue in this proceeding improves environmental quality locally, regionally and globally. The communities CCEJN works in partnership with include, but are not limited to: City of Madera, La Vina, Mendota, Biola, Parlier, Perry Colony, Cantua Creek, Lanare, San Joaquin, Five Points, Coalinga, Terra Bella, Cutler, Avenal, Lost Hills, Shafter, Arvin and Lamont.	
CCEJN is a Category 3 customer because it is an eligible environmental group as described in D.98- 04-059, p. 30 n.14: "With respect to environmental groups, we have concluded they were eligible in the past with the understanding that they represent customers whose environmental interests include the concern that, e.g., regulatory policies encourage the adoption of all cost-effective conservation measures and discourage unnecessary new generating resources that are expensive and environmentally damaging They represent customers who have a concern for the environment which distinguishes their interests from the interests represented by Commission staff, for example."	
Do you have any direct economic interest in outcomes of the proceeding? ³	□Yes
If "Yes", explain:	☑ No
B. Conflict of Interest (§ 1802.3)	Check
1. Is the customer a representative of a group representing the interests of small commercial customers who receive bundled electric service from an electrical corporation?	□Yes ☑ No
2. If the answer to the above question is "Yes", does the customer have a conflict arising from prior representation before the Commission?	□Yes □No
C. Status as an Eligible Local Government Entity (§§1802(d), 1802.4, 1803.1)	
The party claims "eligible local government entity" status because the party is a city, county, or city and county that is not a publicly owned public utility that intervenes or participates in a Commission proceeding for the purpose of protecting the health and safety of the residents within the entity's jurisdiction following a catastrophic material loss suffered by its residents either in significant damage to infrastructure or loss of	□Yes ☑ No
life and property, or both, as a direct result of public utility infrastructure.	
The party's explanation of its status as an eligible local government entity must	
The party's explanation of its status as an eligible local government entity must include a description of	
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³ See Rule 17.1(f).

(3)	The entity's reason(s) to participate in this proceeding.		
D.	Timely Filing of Notice of Intent to Claim Intervenor Compensation (NOI) (§		
	4(a)(1)):		
	Is the party's NOI filed within 30 days after a Prehearing Conference? Date of Prehearing Conference: 11/21/2025	☑Yes □No	
:	Is the party's NOI filed at another time (for example, because no Prehearing Conference was held, the proceeding will take less than 30 days, the schedule did not reasonably allow parties to identify issues within the timeframe normally permitted, or new issues have emerged)?	□Yes ☑No	
2a. The party's description of the reasons for filing its NOI at this other time: N/A			
	2b. The party's information on the proceeding number, date, and decision number for any Commission decision, Commissioner ruling, Administrative Law Judge's ruling, or other document authorizing the filing of NOI at that other time: N/A		

PART II: SCOPE OF ANTICIPATED PARTICIPATION (To be completed by the party intending to claim intervenor compensation)

A. Planned Participation (§ 1804(a)(2)(A)):

The party's statement of the issues on which it plans to participate:

Central California Environmental Justice Network (CCEJN) intends to participate in all aspects of this proceeding and to provide relevant factual information regarding the needs, experiences and perspectives of residents of low-income communities, disadvantaged communities and communities of color in the San Joaquin Valley. CCEJN will conduct outreach in, and advocate on behalf of, disadvantaged communities to ensure that residents who we work with can inform on strategies to improve the Climate Credit.

The party's explanation of how it plans to avoid duplication of effort with other parties:

Central California Environmental Justice Network (CCEJN) will coordinate with other parties to avoid duplication and, where appropriate, will utilize joint comments and resolve issues ahead of hearings and submissions. CCEJN works closely with Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability (Leadership Counsel), which is a party to this action. CCEJN also often works closely with California Environmental Justice Alliance (CEJA), which is a party to this action. CCEJN intends to, and already has, coordinated with Leadership Counsel and CEJA to file joint comments, where appropriate, particularly on issues of statewide concern, and will advocate separately where appropriate. While the interest of CCEJN, Leadership Counsel and CEJA are likely to be aligned on many issues in this proceeding, CCEJN works with many communities that are unique and distinct with respect to geography and other characteristics.

The party's description of the nature and extent of the party's planned participation in this proceeding (to the extent that it is possible to describe on the date this NOI is filed):

Central California Environmental Justice Network (CCEJN) intends to participate in all aspects of this proceeding, with an estimated budget and allocation by issue included below.

B. The party's itemized estimate of the compensation that the party expects to request, based on the anticipated duration of the proceeding (\S 1804(a)(2)(A)):

Item	Hours	Rate \$	Total \$	#	
ATTORNEY, EXPERT, AND ADVOCATE FEES					
Angela Islas	80	\$101.19	\$8,095.20		
(Advocate 8 years)					
Natalie Delgado-Carrillo	40	\$101.19	\$4,047.60		
(Advocate 6 years)					
Nayamin Martinez	20	\$283.39	\$5,667.80		
(Advocate 15+ years)					

Subtotal: \$17,810.60

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TOTAL ESTIMATE: \$17,810.60

Estimated Budget by Issues:

Central California Environmental Justice Network (CCEJN) preliminarily estimates that its participation will be allocated as follows:

- Inform outreach and engagement generally: 10%
- Outreach and engagement to disadvantaged communities: 40%
- Inform Climate Credit policies related to disadvantaged communities and low-income communities in the San Joaquin Valley: 40%
- Inform and evaluate policies with respect to climate change adaptation and resiliency generally: 20%

When entering items, type over bracketed text; add additional rows to table as necessary. Estimate may (but does not need to) include estimated Claim preparation time. Claim preparation time is typically compensated at ½ professional hourly rate.

PART III: SHOWING OF SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL HARDSHIP (To be completed by party intending to claim intervenor compensation; see Instructions for options for providing this information)

A. The party claims that participation or intervention in this proceeding without an award of fees or costs imposes a significant financial hardship, on the following basis:	Applies (check)
1. The customer cannot afford, without undue hardship, to pay the costs of effective participation, including advocate's fees, expert witness fees, and other reasonable costs of participation. (§ 1802(h))	
2. In the case of a group or organization, the economic interest of the Individual members of the group or organization is small in comparison to the costs of effective participation in the proceeding. (§ 1802(h))	V
3. The eligible local government entities' participation or intervention without an award of fees or costs imposes a significant financial hardship. (§ 1803.1(b).)	
4. A § 1802(h) or § 1803.1(b) finding of significant financial hardship in another proceeding, made within one year prior to the commencement of this proceeding, created a rebuttable presumption in this proceeding (§ 1804(b)(1)). Commission's finding of significant financial hardship made in proceeding number: Date of Administrative Law Judge's Ruling (or CPUC Decision) in which the finding of significant financial hardship was made:	
B. The party's explanation of the factual basis for its claim of "significant financial hardship" (§ 1802(h) or § 1803.1(b)) (necessary documentation, if warranted, is attached to the NOI: CCEJN is a nonprofit organization that works with community-based organizations (CF in disadvantaged communities throughout the Central Valley. Although CCEJN is not a member organization, the members of its partner-CBOs are exclusively residential rater in low-income communities. Thus, the cost of CCEJN's effective participation in this proceeding substantially outweighs the anticipated financial benefit to any individual per it represents. (See Pub. Util. Code § 1802(g).)	BOs) a payers

PART IV: ATTACHMENTS DOCUMENTING SPECIFIC ASSERTIONS MADE IN THIS NOTICE

CCEJN has not received any funding to support its participation in this proceeding.

(The party intending to claim intervenor compensation identifies and attaches documents; add rows as necessary)

Attachment No.	Description
1	Certificate of Service

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE RULING⁴ (Administrative Law Judge completes)

	Check all that apply
1. The Notice of Intent (NOI) is rejected for the following reasons:	
a. The NOI has not demonstrated the party's status as a "customer" or an "eligible local government entity" for the following reason(s):	
b. The NOI has not demonstrated that the NOI was timely filed (Part I(B)) for the following reason(s):	
c. The NOI has not adequately described the scope of anticipated participation (Part II, above) for the following reason(s):	
2. The NOI has demonstrated significant financial hardship for the reasons set forth in Part III of the NOI (above).	
3. The NOI has not demonstrated significant financial hardship for the following reason(s):	
4. The Administrative Law Judge provides the following additional guidance (see § 1804(b)(2)):	
IT IS RULED that:	
1. The Notice of Intent is rejected.	
2. The customer or eligible local government entity has satisfied the eligibility requirements of Pub. Util. Code § 1804(a).	
3. The customer or eligible local government entity has shown significant financial hardship.	
4. The customer or eligible local government entity is preliminarily determined to be eligible for intervenor compensation in this proceeding. However, a finding of significant financial hardship in no way ensures compensation.	
5. Additional guidance is provided to the customer or eligible local government entity as set forth above.	
Dated, at San Francisco, California.	

⁴ A Ruling needs not be issued unless: (a) the NOI is deficient; (b) the Administrative Law Judge desires to address specific issues raised by the NOI (to point out similar positions, areas of potential duplication in showings, unrealistic expectations for compensation, or other matters that may affect the customer or eligible local government entity's Intervenor Compensation Claim); or (c) the NOI has included a claim of "significant financial hardship" that requires a finding under § 1802(h).

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