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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Nsikak Iniodu,

Complainant,

vs.

Complaint 25-08-023

Wave Energy LLC.,

Defendant.

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING DIRECTING DEFENDANT TO
CORRECT DEFICIENCIES IN ITS ANSWER**

This ruling directs the Defendant to correct deficiencies in its answer and to file the corrected answer no later than seven business days from the issuance of this ruling.

On August 25, 2025, Complainant Nsikak Iniodu filed the instant complaint. On October 17, 2025, the Instructions to Answer were issued, directing the Defendant to file its answer to the Complaint no later than November 6, 2025, twenty days from the date the Instructions to Answer were issued.

On November 10, 2025, the assigned Administrative Law Judge sent a procedural email to the service list reminding the Defendant of the deadline for filing its answer and stating that she had not yet received service of the answer. A representative for the Defendant responded to the service list the same day, stating that the Defendant had mistakenly interpreted the 20-day deadline on the

Instructions to Answer as business days instead of calendar days. That same day on November 10, 2025, the Defendant served its answer on the service list, including the Complainant, ahead of the scheduled November 17, 2025 hearing in this proceeding.

Also on November 10, 2025, the Defendant attempted to file its answer with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission). The answer it submitted for filing contained several deficiencies. Specifically, the answer:

1. Is incorrectly titled, "Response" instead of "Answer;"
2. Is missing the caption and title required by Rule 1.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules); ¹ ²
3. Is not signed or verified pursuant to Rules 4.4, 1.8 and 1.11; and
4. Fails to include the full name, address and telephone number of the defendant as required by Rule 4.4.

As a result of these deficiencies, the answer was never filed.

Therefore, Defendant Wave Energy LLC is directed to correct the above deficiencies and file and serve on the service list the corrected answer no later than seven business days from the issuance of this ruling.

IT IS SO RULED.

Dated January 13, 2026 at San Francisco, California.

/s/ SHANNON CLARK

Shannon Clark
Administrative Law Judge

¹ The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure are available at:
<https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/proceedings-and-rulemaking/rules-of-practice-and-procedure>.

² Several sample skeleton forms are provided at Rule 18.1. Form 3 provides an illustration of an answer and its verification.