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Order Instituting Rulemaking to
Consider Strategies and Guidance
for Climate Change Adaptation.

Rulemaking 18-04-019

**ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER'S RULING ENTERING STAFF PROPOSAL AND
WORKING GROUP REPORT INTO THE RECORD AND REQUESTING
COMMENT**

From September 19, 2024, through September 25, 2025, Energy Division staff held several public workshops on Community Engagement and Equity to gather input to refine existing requirements for utility community engagement for Climate Adaptation pursuant to Task 2 of the Phase 2 Scoping Memo.¹ This ruling enters Energy Division's Staff Proposal on Community Engagement and Adaptive Capacity (Attachment 1) (Staff Proposal) into the record of this proceeding and invites party comment.

In addition, on August 7, 2025, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, and Southern California Gas Company jointly filed the Climate Lexicon Working Group Report (Attachment 2) (Climate Lexicon Report).² This ruling invites comments from the parties on whether the Commission should adopt the recommendations of the Climate Lexicon, in total or in part. The Commission also seeks comments on whether it should establish a mechanism to update definitions outside of a proceeding.

¹ Assigned Commissioner's Phase 2 Scoping Memo and Ruling for R.18-04-019 issued June 2, 2023.

² D.24-08-005, Ordering Paragraph 14.

Opening comments on both the Staff Proposal and the Climate Lexicon Report are due by July 30, 2026. Reply comments on the Staff Proposal and Climate Lexicon Report are due August 10, 2026. When commenting, parties must structure their comments to address the questions below.

1. Staff Proposal: Community Engagement Framework

- Please provide feedback on Energy Division's recommendations on Community Engagement and the proposed Community Engagement Framework.

2. Staff Proposal: Community Adaptive Capacity Metrics

- Please provide feedback on Energy Division's recommendations on Community Adaptive Capacity Metrics.

3. Climate Lexicon Report

- Please provide feedback on the Climate Lexicon Working Group Report.
- Should the Commission adopt the recommended definitions, either in total or in part? If proposing changes to definitions, please provide redline edits showing proposed changes.
- Please comment on whether the Commission should create a mechanism to update the Climate Lexicon, as needed. If so, please provide a description of the mechanism (e.g., staff-initiated resolution, Tier 3 advice letter process, etc.) and any information necessary to assess the proposed mechanism.

IT IS SO RULED.

Dated July 10, 2026, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ DARCIE L. HOUCK

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Assigned Commissioner