



FORM A: BLANK NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM INTERVENOR COMPENSATION

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Application of Association of Bay Area Governments (CPUC ID 941) for Approval of the Bay Area Regional Energy Network 2028-2031 Portfolio Plan and 2028-2035 Business Plan.	Application 26-03-009 (Filed March 16, 2026)
And Related Matters.	Application 26-03-010 Application 26-03-011 Application 26-03-012 Application 26-03-013 Application 26-03-014 Application 26-03-015 Application 26-03-017 Application 26-03-018 Application 26-03-019 Application 26-03-020 Application 26-03-021 Application 26-03-028

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM INTERVENOR COMPENSATION
AND, IF REQUESTED (and ☐ ¹ checked), ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S
RULING ON THE UTILITY REFORM NETWORK'S SHOWING OF
SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL HARDSHIP**

NOTE: AFTER ELECTRONICALLY FILING A PDF COPY OF THIS NOTICE OF INTENT, PLEASE EMAIL THE DOCUMENT IN AN MS WORD FORMAT TO THE INTERVENOR COMPENSATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR AT

Icompcoordinator@cpuc.ca.gov.

Customer or Eligible Local Government Entity (party intending to claim intervenor compensation): The Utility Reform Network	
Assigned Commissioner: Karen Douglas	Administrative Law Judge: Julie A. Fitch and Valerie Kao

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).

I hereby certify that the information I have set forth in Parts I, II, III and IV of this Notice of Intent is true to my best knowledge, information and belief.

Signature:		/s/
Date: 07/17/26	Printed Name:	Ruthie Lazenby

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 “customer” status because the party is (check one):	Applies (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).	☐
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.	☒
4. The party’s detailed explanation of the selected customer category. <u>The party’s explanation of its status as a Category 1 customer.</u> 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. <u>The party’s explanation of its status as a Category 2 customer.</u> 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.	

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

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. TURN's Customer Status TURN is a Category 3 "group or organization authorized pursuant to its articles of incorporation or bylaws to represent the interests of residential ratepayers." TURN provided the relevant portion of our articles of incorporation in the NOI submitted in A.98-02-017, and again in A.99-12-024. On October 15, 2015, TURN's Board of Directors adopted amendments to TURN's bylaws and articles of incorporation. TURN provided these revised bylaws and articles of incorporation in an amendment to the NOI submitted in A.15-09-001. TURN has approximately 20,000 members, of whom we believe the vast majority are residential ratepayers. TURN does not poll our members in a manner that would allow a precise breakdown between residential and small business members, so a precise percentage is not available. Similarly, TURN believes that the vast majority of our members receive bundled electric service from an electrical corporation. TURN does not poll our members in a manner that would allow a precise breakdown between those who receive bundled electric service from an IOU, those who receive electric service from a municipal utility and gas service from an IOU, and those who might be a CCA customer or Direct Access customer.	
Do you have any direct economic interest in outcomes of the proceeding?³ If "Yes", explain:	☐ Yes ☒ 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

³ See Rule 17.1(f).

	☐ 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 life and property, or both, as a direct result of public utility infrastructure.	☐ Yes ☒ No
The party’s explanation of its status as an eligible local government entity must include a description of (1) The relevant triggering catastrophic event; (2) The impacts of the triggering catastrophic event on the residents within the entity’s jurisdiction as a result of public utility infrastructure; and (3) The entity’s reason(s) to participate in this proceeding.	
D. Timely Filing of Notice of Intent to Claim Intervenor Compensation (NOI) (§ 1804(a)(1)):	
1. Is the party’s NOI filed within 30 days after a Prehearing Conference? Date of Prehearing Conference: 6/19/2026	☒ Yes ☐ No
2. 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:
TURN anticipates participating on a range of issues identified in the draft scoping issues list for discussion at the prehearing conference. These issues include, but are not limited to, the following: Budget issues, including whether portfolio administrators’ budgets, individually and collectively, are just and reasonable, and whether they will accomplish the energy savings and Total System Benefit (TSB) goals;

- Goals and accountability issues, including whether program administrator forecasts of energy savings, greenhouse gas reductions, TSB, and cost effectiveness are reasonable and aligned with state policy;
- Equity issues, including whether and how to adjust the eligibility and funding thresholds related to serving Equity customers, including aligning customer targeting requirements for RENs;
- Integrated Demand-Side Management (IDSMD) issues, including whether the IDSMD approach outlined in D.23-06-055 and Resolution E-5387 should be continued in the next four-year cycle and other questions related to IDSMD;
- Building decarbonization issues, including whether energy efficiency funding should be allowed to be used to encourage fuel switching from non-regulated fuels to regulated fuels.

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

TURN will coordinate with the other active parties to limit duplication and ensure that each party offers a unique contribution. As a general matter, TURN will do its best to avoid duplication or, where such duplication is unavoidable, seek to ensure that TURN presents material that complements and supplements the showing of other parties.

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).

TURN filed a motion for party status, has participated in the prehearing conference, and intends to actively participate in this proceeding on all of the above identified issues, including but not limited to participating in workshops (if held), filing comments and/or serving testimony, participating in hearings, filing briefs, reviewing and commenting on proposed decisions, and filing all other necessary pleadings.

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

Item	Hours	Rate \$	Total \$	#
ATTORNEY, EXPERT, AND ADVOCATE FEES				
Ruthie Lazenby, Staff Attorney	250	\$460	\$115,000	
Julia de Lamare, Staff Attorney	150	\$600	\$90,000	
Hayley Goodson, Managing Attorney	100	\$730	\$73,000	
Consultants			\$30,000	
Subtotal: \$308,000				
OTHER FEES				
Subtotal: \$0				

COSTS		
Subtotal: \$0		
TOTAL ESTIMATE: \$308,000		
Estimated Budget by Issues:		
At this early juncture in the proceeding, TURN can only provide a very rough estimate of the allocation of our estimated costs by issue area.		
Issue	Time	Budget
Budget	30%	\$92,400
Goals and Accountability	15%	\$46,200
Equity	15%	\$46,200
IDSM	10%	\$30,800
Building Decarbonization	30%	\$92,400
Total (Excluding Direct Costs)	100%	\$308,000
TURN's estimates of attorney time and hourly rates are preliminary. TURN will address in our Request for Compensation the reasonableness of the time we ultimately devote to this proceeding and the hourly rates ultimately requested.		
<i>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.</i>		

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))	☒

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: A.25-03-015	
Date of Administrative Law Judge's Ruling (or CPUC Decision) in which the finding of significant financial hardship was made: July 8, 2025	
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:	

**PART IV: ATTACHMENTS DOCUMENTING SPECIFIC
ASSERTIONS MADE IN THIS NOTICE**

**(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):	☐

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).

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.

Administrative Law Judge