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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Pacific Gas and Electric Company's
(U-39M) Application for Approval of its
2028-2033 Income-Qualified Programs.

Application 26-01-003

And Related Matters.

Application 26-01-005

Application 26-01-010

Application 26-01-011

**ASSIGNED ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING REGARDING
EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS**

This ruling provides information regarding evidentiary hearings and provides further instructions for the parties to request evidentiary hearings.

1. Procedural and Factual Background

On January 9, 2026, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) and Southern California Edison Company (SCE) filed their respective applications requesting approval and funding for their Income-Qualified Programs (IQPs) portfolios for 2028-2033. Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) filed their respective applications on January 16, 2026. An Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Ruling on February 10, 2026, consolidated the applications of PG&E, SCE, SoCalGas and SDG&E (together jointly, the Utilities), and set a date of March 12, 2026, for the prehearing conference (PHC).

Responses were filed on February 17, 2026, by San Diego Community Power and Clean Energy Alliance, and Protests were filed on February 17, 2026, by The Utility Reform Network (TURN), on February 18, 2026, by the Public

Advocates Office (Cal Advocates), and on February 20, 2026, by the Center for Accessible Technology (CforAT).

These applications are intended to fund and implement changes and improvements for program years 2028-2033 for the IQPs, which include the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE), Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA), and Energy Savings Assistance (ESA) programs. The ESA program provides no-cost home weatherization services, energy efficiency measures, and energy education to help eligible income-qualified households conserve energy, reduce energy costs, and improve their health, comfort, and safety. The program also provides information on other available assistance programs as well as education to promote energy-efficient practices in income-qualified communities. Households with total annual incomes at or below 250 percent of federal poverty guidelines (FPG) qualify for the ESA program.

The CARE program is an income-qualified energy rate assistance program that provides a discount on energy rates to qualifying income-qualified households with incomes at or below 200 percent of the FPG. For families whose household incomes slightly exceed the CARE allowances, the FERA program is available to provide discounts on their electric bill.

The PHC was held on March 12, 2026. The Assigned Commissioner's Scoping Memo and Ruling (Scoping Memo) was issued on April 7, 2026, which established the proceeding scope and schedule.

2. Evidentiary Hearing Information

The schedule laid out in the Scoping Memo stated that evidentiary hearings may be needed, and tentatively scheduled them for November 16, 2026, to November 20, 2026. This ruling confirms that evidentiary hearings are

scheduled for November 16, 2026, to November 20, 2026, starting at 9:30 A.M. each day.

At this time, the need for evidentiary hearings is still unclear. As scheduled in the Scoping Memo, by November 6, 2026, the parties shall submit a joint statement with their positions on the need for evidentiary hearing. If any parties believe evidentiary hearing is needed, the statement shall identify (1) all specific outstanding material disputed factual issue(s) in the scope of the proceeding, with parties' positions on the issue; and (2) A list of witnesses to testify at the hearings and, for each witness, the material issues of disputed fact to which the witness will testify and the estimated time for cross-examination of the witness; and (3) A proposed schedule for testimony reflecting a beginning time of 9:45 A.M. (allotting 15 minutes prior each day to address administrative issues) and, for each witness, the date and time period for each witness to testify. If the administrative law judge determines that hearings are not needed, evidentiary hearings may be cancelled or reduced.

3. Evidentiary Hearing Participation Information

Parties shall use the following information to attend the virtual Webex evidentiary hearings:

Monday, November 16, 2026; 9:30 AM

Join link:

<https://cpuc.webex.com/cpuc/j.php?MTID=ma9e45493154494291291311d5c541c51>

Webinar number: 2488 212 1408

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Join by phone

1-855-282-6330 United States Toll Free

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Tuesday, November 17, 2026, 9:30 AM

Join link:

<https://cpuc.webex.com/cpuc/j.php?MTID=maa7e12d457b0e27dc01c7a1aba4a7b78>

Webinar number: 2490 059 8576

Webinar password: 112026 (112026 when dialing from a phone or video system)

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Wednesday, November 18, 2026, 9:30 AM

Join link:

<https://cpuc.webex.com/cpuc/j.php?MTID=mbe70c94425a97bcf9d4bf5afe7f26c0c>

Webinar number: 2485 501 1316

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Thursday, November 19, 2026, at 9:30 AM

Join link:

<https://cpuc.webex.com/cpuc/j.php?MTID=m02b2fbd6363e7bb1a8f777adebe2a0f6>

Webinar number: 2481 660 8278

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Friday, November 20, 2026, at 9:30 AM

Join link:

<https://cpuc.webex.com/cpuc/j.php?MTID=mbf17f73e4bf348173ea70394654097b5>

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IT IS RULED that:

1. Evidentiary hearings are scheduled for November 16, 2026, to November 20, 2026.
2. Parties shall submit a joint statement regarding the need for evidentiary hearings with the above information by November 6, 2026.

Dated October 27, 2026, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ GARRETT TOY
Garrett Toy
Administrative Law Judge