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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SFPP, L.P. (PLC-9) for Authority to Increase Rates for Transportation of Refined Petroleum Products.	Application 26-05-022

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING GRANTING THE PARTIES' REQUEST TO HOLD THE PROCEEDING IN ABEYANCE AND SETTING A CONTINUED PREHEARING CONFERENCE

This ruling grants the parties' joint request to hold Application (A.) 26-05-022 in abeyance until the continued prehearing conference (PHC) convenes on January 15, 2027. It also sets a remote continued PHC for January 15, 2027, at 10:00 a.m. via Webex and directs the parties to file and serve a Joint PHC Statement by 12:00 p.m. on January 13, 2027.

Parties and interested persons shall appear remotely via Webex using the following access information:

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1. Background

The PHC in this proceeding was held on October 13, 2026, with all parties present. The parties jointly requested that the proceeding be held in abeyance

until January 15, 2027. They represented that the forthcoming Commission decision in the related consolidated proceedings — A.21-01-015, A.22-01-016, A.23-01-016, and A.24-01-020 — may affect the issues in this proceeding. The parties also reported that settlement discussions involving all related proceedings were ongoing.

At the October 13, 2026 PHC, the assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) indicated that the joint request for abeyance would be granted. The parties also discussed whether the next conference should be designated as a status conference or a continued PHC. Upon further consideration, a continued PHC is appropriate because it will allow the Commission to assess the status of the proceedings and address the issues necessary for the scoping memo.

2. Setting of Continued Prehearing Conference

The continued PHC will identify the parties, confirm the official service list, clarify the parties' positions, address the schedule and scope of issues, assess the status of settlement discussions, and consider any other matters relevant to the efficient resolution of this proceeding.

3. Joint Prehearing Conference Statement

To facilitate the discussion, this ruling directs the parties to meet and confer and prepare a Joint PHC Statement. The parties shall file the Joint PHC Statement with the Commission's Docket Office and serve it on the official service list by 12:00 p.m. on January 13, 2027.

The parties must include the following information in their statement:

A. Representatives: Identify each party's designated primary representative for the continued PHC.

B. Issues: Identify the proposed issues to be scoped in this proceeding and state whether the following list includes all substantive issues:

(1) Does the Application and the proposed rate increase request comply with all applicable Public Utilities Code Sections, General Orders, Rules, and Commission decisions, such that the Application and requested rate increase should be approved?

(2) Is the proposed rate increase reasonable and in the public interest?

(3) Are there any safety considerations?

(4) What effects, if any, would the proposed rate increase have on environmental and social justice communities including the extent to which the proposed rate increase impacts the achievement of any of the nine goals of the Commission's Environmental and Social Justice Action Plan?

C. Facts and Legal Issues: Identify the material facts and legal issues in dispute.

D. Relief: Describe the relief sought by each party.

E. California Environmental Quality Act: State whether California Environmental Quality Act applies to the application and explain the basis for that position.

F. Settlement:

(1) Describe the prospects for settlement and any settlement efforts to date.

(2) State whether Alternative Dispute Resolution conducted by a neutral ALJ, other than the assigned ALJ, would assist in resolving the disputed issues.

G. Motions: Identify any anticipated motions.

H. Discovery: State whether discovery is needed and, if so, describe its proposed scope.

I. Evidentiary Hearings: State whether evidentiary hearings are requested and identify the disputed material facts requiring a hearing.

J. Schedule: Propose a procedural schedule for this proceeding.

K. Disclosure of Nonparty Interested Entities or Persons: Identify any other person or entity known by the party to have an interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the proceeding.

L. Other Matters: Identify any other matter that may facilitate the just, speedy, and inexpensive resolution of this proceeding.

4. Further Information

Parties requesting changes or additions to the official service list shall complete the required "Addition/Change of Official Service List" form and send it to process_office@cpuc.ca.gov and reporting@cpuc.ca.gov before the continued PHC.

Parties requesting expedited or daily transcripts shall notify the Chief Hearing Reporter by email at reporting@cpuc.ca.gov no later than three days before the continued PHC.

IT IS RULED that:

1. Proceeding Application 26-05-022 is held in abeyance until January 15, 2027.
2. A remote prehearing conference is set for January 15, 2027 via Webex per the above instructions.
3. Parties shall file a Joint Prehearing Conference Statement by January 13, 2027.

Dated November 3, 2026, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ THERESA MOORE
Theresa Moore
Administrative Law Judge