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CPUC HOSTS THOUGHT LEADERS SESSION ON “IDEAS MATTER”

SAN FRANCISCO, February 26, 2015 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today announced that the next topic in its ongoing Thought Leaders Speaker Series is “Ideas Matter” and will feature CPUC staff presentations. This informative discussion is free and open to the public.

WHEN: March 26, 2015, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

WHERE: CPUC Auditorium, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco; also available in real-time and archived via video webcast at www.californiaadmin.com/cpuc.shtml

WHAT: Taking five minutes each, nine staff members will present on an exciting idea that is happening in the industries that the CPUC is involved in and that they believe will change the world around us for the better in the next 5 to 10 years. There will be a moderated dialogue between the audience and the presenters after the presentations are completed.

WHO: The presenters are as follows (in order of presentation):

- 1) Jamie Ormond: How Smart Invertors Will Revolutionize the Delivery of Electricity?
- 2) Maria Sotero: Increasing Importance of Cybersecurity Research and Development
- 3) Lisa Prigozen: Intermodal Communications Markets and Competition
- 4) Rob Wullenjohn: Connecting the Dots - Is Regulatory Intervention Necessary?
- 5) Helen Mickiewicz: Net Neutrality – What Might the Federal Communications Commission’s Rules Mean for California?
- 6) Richard White: How a Safety Benchmarking Tool Will Create Effective Regulation of Utilities?
- 7) Jeanne Clinton: How to Make Energy Efficiency More Like Solar or Power Purchase Agreements?
- 8) Carlos Tapia: Why Standardize No Trespassing Signs Posted by Railroad Tracks?
- 9) Rami Kahlon: Sewage Water is Now Drinkable; Will We All Drink It?



To register for this event (not required, but appreciated) and for more information on Thought Leaders, including archived video webcasts of prior Thought Leaders events, please visit: www.cpuc.ca.gov/thoughtleaders.

The CPUC hosts its Thought Leaders Speaker Series to stimulate thought and discussion of some of the most pressing challenges facing California utility regulators and the private sector industries impacted by state policies. Leading experts from around the world take center stage to offer their expertise and vision in areas such as communications, energy, water, transportation, the environment, green jobs, and more.

Although a quorum of Commissioners may be in attendance, no CPUC action will be taken at this event.

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