

Decision 23-11-052

November 8, 2023

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of San Francisco for
Rehearing of Resolution TL-19145.

Application 23-09-014

ORDER STAYING RESOLUTION TL-19145

The California Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) orders a stay of Resolution (“Res.”) TL-19145.¹ Pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 1735, the Commission may, in its discretion, order a stay of Res. TL-19145 while it considers an application for rehearing.²

Res. TL-19145 was issued by the Commission on August 11, 2023. Res. TL-19145 authorized Cruise LLC (“Cruise”) to expand its fared driverless autonomous vehicle passenger service. On October 24, 2023, the Department of Motor Vehicles (“DMV”) suspended Cruise’s autonomous vehicle (“AV”) deployment and driverless testing permits.³ Pursuant to Decision 20-11-046, Ordering Paragraph 13, the Commission’s permit for Cruise’s fared driverless AV passenger service, as authorized by Res. TL-19145, was suspended immediately when the DMV suspended the permits.

¹ Unless otherwise noted, all citations to Commission decisions and resolutions are to the official pdf versions, which are available at <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/DecisionsSearchForm.aspx> and <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/ResolutionSearchForm.aspx>

² On September 11, 2023, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, the San Francisco County Transportation Authority and the San Francisco Planning Department (collectively “San Francisco”) filed an application for rehearing of Res. TL-19145.

³ DMV Statement on Cruise LLC Suspension, available at <https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/news-and-media/dmv-statement-on-cruise-llc-suspension/>

The stay will be in place until the Commission acts on San Francisco’s application for rehearing. Our order of a stay does not predetermine our review of the pending application for rehearing or our decision thereon.⁴

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On its own motion, the Commission orders a stay of Res. TL-19145.
2. The stay of Res. TL-19145 will be in place until the Commission acts on the application for rehearing of Res. TL-19145 filed by San Francisco.
3. This proceeding, Application 23-09-014, remains open.

This order is effective today.

Dated November 8, 2023, at Sacramento, California.

ALICE REYNOLDS
President
GENEVIEVE SHIROMA
DARCIE L. HOUCK
JOHN REYNOLDS
KAREN DOUGLAS
Commissioners

⁴ On August 16, 2023, San Francisco filed a motion to stay Res. TL-19145. Responses to San Francisco’s motion for stay were submitted by Cruise and the San Francisco Taxi Workers Alliance. This order does not rely on the arguments provided in those pleadings.