Decision 25-11-018 November 20, 2025

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Strain Ventures LP.,	
Complainant,	
vs.	(ECP) Case 24-08-016
Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U39E),	
Defendant.	
And Related Matters.	(ECP) Case 24-08-017 Case 24-08-018

#### ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE

## **Summary**

This decision extends the statutory deadline for completion of the consolidated Cases (C.) 24-08-016, C.24-08-017 and C.24-08-018 until February 27, 2026.

# 1. Background

Public Utilities Code (Pub. Util. Code) Section 1701.2(i) provides that the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) shall resolve the issues raised in the scoping memo of an adjudicatory proceeding within 12 months of

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the date the proceeding is initiated, unless the Commission makes a written determination that the deadline cannot be met and issues an order extending that deadline. The statutory deadline for this consolidated proceeding was August 26, 2025.

On August 26, 2024, Strain Ventures LP filed complaint Case (C.) 24-08-016 against Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E). Concurrently, Strain Farming Company LP filed two other complaints, C.24-08-017 and C.24-08-018, against PG&E. Strain Ventures LP and Strain Farming Company LP (collectively Complainants or Strain) own three properties in Arbuckle and Colusa. Strain owns and operates photovoltaic (PV) power generation systems at each location. Each of these three complaints allege that PG&E is responsible for high utility voltage harmonic distortion that has impaired Complainants' solar energy production and harmed the PV system equipment. Each of these three complaints seeks monetary compensation for lost revenue, equipment damage, and other expenses.

A concurrent prehearing conference for the three proceedings was held on October 24, 2024, to address the issues of law and fact, determine the need for hearing, set the schedule for resolving the matter, and address other matters as necessary.

On February 3, 2025, the C.24-08-016 was referred to the Commission's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Program.

On February 27, 2025, the assigned Commissioner issued a Scoping Memo and Ruling that consolidated C.24-08-016, C.24-08-017 and C.24-08-018.

The current August 26, 2025 statutory deadline must be extended so that the parties and assigned ADR neutral Administrative Law Judge have sufficient time to evaluate data and discuss settlement through the ADR process.

Consequently, the statutory deadline for this proceeding should be extended to February 27, 2026.

#### 2. Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment on proposed decisions extending the deadline for resolving adjudicatory proceedings. Accordingly, the otherwise applicable period for public review and comment is waived.

### 3. Assignment of Proceeding

John Reynolds is the assigned Commissioner and Jacob Rambo is the assigned Administrative Law Judge and the presiding officer in this Consolidated Proceeding.

# **Findings of Fact**

- 1. Case 24-08-016, C.24-08-017 and C.24-08-018 were filed on August 26, 2024.
- 2. Case 24-08-016, C.24-08-017 and C.24-08-018 were consolidated for all purposes on February 27, 2025.
- 3. The statutory deadline for this Consolidated Proceeding was August 26, 2025.
- 4. Case 24-08-016, C.24-08-017 and C.24-08-018, as consolidated, could not be completed by August 26, 2025.

5. An extension of the statutory deadline until February 27, 2026, is necessary to allow adequate time for the parties to attempt to settle their dispute through the ADR Program.

#### **Conclusions of Law**

- 1. Pursuant to the authority granted to the Commission under Pub. Util. Code § 1701.2(i), the statutory deadline for the Consolidated Proceeding should be extended to February 27, 2026.
  - 2. The 30 day period for review and comment on this Order is waived.

#### ORDER

**IT IS ORDERED** that the statutory deadline for completion of the Consolidated Proceeding is extended until February 27, 2026.

This order is effective today.

Dated November 20, 2025, at San Francisco, California.

ALICE REYNOLDS
President
DARCIE L. HOUCK
JOHN REYNOLDS
KAREN DOUGLAS
MATTHEW BAKER
Commissioners