BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking Proceeding to Consider Changes to the Commission's Carrier of Last Resort Rules.	Rulemaking 24-06-012

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE

Summary

This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding to February 19, 2027.

1. Background

Public Utilities Code (Pub. Util. Code) Section 1701.5(a) provides that the Commission shall resolve the issues raised in the scoping memo of a quasi-legislative proceeding within 18 months of 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 current statutory deadline for completion of Rulemaking (R.) 24-06-012 is June 20, 2026.

On June 20, 2024, the Commission adopted R.24-06-012 to consider changes to the Commission's Carrier of Last Resort rules adopted in Decision (D.) 96-10-066 and affirmed in D.12-12-038.

R.24-06-012 allowed parties to file three documents: an Initial Proposal that must be filed and served by September 30, 2024; Reply Comments to those Initial

Proposals filed and served by October 30, 2024; and Revisions to the Initial Proposals, that parties filed and served by December 6, 2024.

On December 13, 2024, the assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) held a prehearing conference (PHC) 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 4, 2025, the assigned Commissioner issued a Scoping Memo and Ruling (Scoping Memo), setting forth the issues, need for hearing, schedule, category and other matters necessary to scope this proceeding. The Scoping Memo also set June 20, 2026 as the statutory deadline for R.24-06-012.

On December 15, 2025, the assigned ALJ issued a ruling noticing for comment a Staff Proposal. On March 25, 2026, the assigned ALJ issued a ruling allowing parties to comment on a joint proposal made by the Commission's Public Advocates Office and AT&T, that both parties served on the Service List on February 13, 2026.

An extension of the statutory deadline to February 19, 2027, is necessary and appropriate to allow the assigned ALJ and Commissioner time to consider party comments on the Staff Proposal and on the joint proposal made by the Commission's Public Advocates Office and AT&T.

2. Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules, the Commission may waive the otherwise applicable 30-day period for public review and comment on a decision that extends the 18-month deadline set forth in Pub. Util. Code Section 1701.5. Under the circumstances of this proceeding, it is appropriate to waive the 30-day period for public review and comment.

3. Assignment of Proceeding

John Reynolds is the assigned Commissioner and Thomas J. Glegola is the assigned Administrative Law Judge in this proceeding.

Findings of Fact

1. R.24-06-012 was filed on June 20, 2024.
2. A PHC was held on December 13, 2024.
3. On February 4, 2025, a scoping memo set June 20, 2026 as the statutory deadline for R.24-06-012.
4. R.24-06-012 cannot be completed by June 20, 2026.
5. An extension of the statutory deadline to February 19, 2027, is appropriate to allow the Commission sufficient time to resolve this proceeding.

Conclusion of Law

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Commission under Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5(a), the statutory deadline in this proceeding should be extended to February 19, 2027.

IT IS ORDERED that the statutory deadline in this proceeding is extended until February 19, 2027.

This order is effective today.

Dated June 11, 2026, at Sacramento California.

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