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CPUC to Hold Virtual Public Forums on SoCalGas and SDG&E Rate Requests

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 18, 2026 – The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will hold virtual Public Forums to gain input from customers on the requests of Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) and San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) to increase rates beginning Jan. 1, 2028. The Public Forums provide customers of the two utilities an opportunity to communicate directly with the CPUC regarding the issues being considered in the General Rate Case (GRC) proceedings.

SoCalGas and SDG&E (collectively Sempra Utilities) are requesting authorization from the CPUC to increase their rates to cover anticipated costs from 2028 through 2030. The requested amount, called a revenue requirement, includes costs to maintain, operate, and invest in the energy and natural gas pipeline systems. The CPUC will examine the requests to determine which costs are reasonable. The updated revenue requirements and base rates will become effective Jan. 1, 2028, and there will be additional rate changes in 2028, 2029, and 2030 based on inflation and other factors.

At any of the upcoming virtual Public Forums (formally called Public Participation Hearings) customers are invited to share their thoughts directly with the CPUC regarding either utility's proposal.

When

- December 9, 2026, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.
- December 10, 2026, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Remote Access

- **Live webcast to watch:** https://www.adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc/
    - Participants who choose to participate via webcast only will be able to hear and view the Public Forum but if they want to make comments of their own, they must use the phone-in information below.
    - For **captions** in English and Spanish, click the green button below the video in the webcast. Then select captions by clicking on the white icon next to the word "live" at the bottom of the video.
    - The Public Forums will also be recorded and archived for future viewing.

- **Phone line for making comment:**
    - Toll-Free: 1-800-857-1917 Passcode: 1673482#
    - Participants will have audio in English and will be able to make comments. (To make a comment, after entering the passcode, when prompted press *1, unmute your phone, and record your name.)
    - Wait times depend on the number of speakers in the public comment queue. During times of high call volumes, wait times will be longer. The operator will call on you when it is your turn to speak.

These virtual Public Forums follow in-person Public Forums held on Nov. 9 in El Monte (LA county) and Nov. 10 in Santee (San Diego County).

A quorum of Commissioners may attend the Public Forums but no decisions will be made or voted on at the events.

Interpreters

If specialized accommodations are needed to attend, such as interpretation in a language other than English or an American Sign Language interpreter, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov or toll free at 866-849-8390 at least five business days in advance of the event you plan to attend.

More Information

- Public Forums Ruling
    - Correction to Ruling (Sept. 22, 2026)
- Public Forums Webpage with Factsheets in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole
- Docket Card for SoCalGas GRC
- Docket Card for SDG&E GRC
- What is a GRC?
- The Electric General Rate Case Process (Video)
- How the Public Participates in and Informs the General Rate Case Process

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