California Public Utilities Commission Consumer Service and Information Division

Energy Industry

Consumer Contacts that Require Enhanced Processing Presented by Utility Company, Category and Subcategory

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This report presents a subset of total consumer contacts reported in Table 1. This data represents consumer contacts that require enhanced processing for resolution of consumers' complaints. These cases are known as Informal Complaints (ICs) and are sent to the appropriate utility for investigation. The utility must respond to the CPUC and address the allegations of the complaint. The following table reports the ICs by utility company and the nature of the complaint by category and the more specific subcategory.

Table 2 - Energy Industry Contacts: The companies listed in the table are organized in alphabetical order. Companies' names in this list may not reflect the company name under which services are marketed to the consumer.

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
ELC933	California Pacific Electric	Billing	High Bill	1
	Company		Total ICs	1
ESP1092	Commerce Energy, Inc.	Billing	Electric Service Provider Contract Termination	1
			Total ICs	1
MUL39, ELC39,	Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E)	Billing	Backbilling	1
GAS39,		Billing	Balance/Level Pay Plan	1
STM39		Billing	Deposits	2
		Billing	Electric Service Provider Contract Termination	3
		Billing	High Bill	11
		Billing	Master/Sub Meters	1
		Billing	Other Charges	2
		Billing	Payment Arrangements	2
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	5
		Policy and Practices	Opt Out Smartmeter	1
		Policy and Practices	Safety	6
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	4
		Service	Disconnection Non Payment	1
		Service	Outage	5
			Total ICs	45
MUL902,	San Diego Gas & Electric	Billing	Backbilling	1
ELC902,	Company	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
GAS902		Billing	Deposits	2
		Billing	High Bill	3
		Public Purpose	Net Energy Metering (NEM)	2
		Programs		
		Rates	Baseline	1
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	1
		Service	Outage Total ICs	1 12
			lotailCs	12

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count	
ELC338, MUL338, GAS338	Southern California Edison Company	Billing	Balance/Level Pay Plan	1	
		Billing	Bill Adjustment	3	
		Billing	Deposits	1	
		Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	4	
		Billing	High Bill	14	
		Billing	Late Payment Charge - LPC	4	
		Billing	Master/Sub Meters (Mobile Homes)	1	
		Billing	Meter Inaccuracy	2	
		Billing	Meter Reading Issue	1	
		Billing	Other Charges	4	
		Billing	Payment Arrangements	1	
		Billing	Payment Error	2	
		Policy and Practices	Fraud	1	
		Policy and Practices	Safety	2	
		Policy and Practices	SMART METER	1	
		Policy and Practices	Net Energy Metering (NEM)	1	
		Rates	Baseline	1	
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	4	
		Service	Outage	6	
		Service	Voltage Levels	2	
			Total ICs	56	
GAS904	Southern California Gas	Billing	Bill Adjustment	3	
	Company	Billing	Crossed Meter Billing	1	
		Billing	Estimated Billing	1	
		Billing	High Bill	6	
		Billing	Other Charges	1	
		Policy and Practices	Safety	1	
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	8	
		Service	Disconnected In Error	1	
			Total ICs	22	
GAS905	Southwest Gas Corporation	Service	Disconnection Non Payment	1	
			Total ICs	1	
Total ICs Sent ¹					

¹ Due to the carryover of cases received in previous months, there are slight differences between the total number of ICs sent to the utilities and the number of written contacts received in a month.