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CPUC Public Meeting Results in a Hold on Energy Company Disconnections

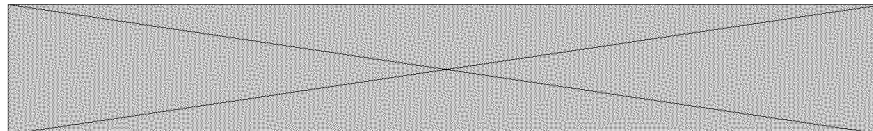
On December 16, 2009, the CPUC held a public meeting to discuss customer arrearages and disconnections in light of the current economic crisis. As a result, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison, and Southern California Gas Company agreed to a moratorium on service disconnections beginning December 21, 2009, through January 3, 2010. Edison subsequently extended their moratorium to January 21, 2010.

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Changes to Residential Rates Under New Legislation

On October 11, 2009, Governor Schwarzenegger signed Senate Bill (SB) 695, the Ratepayer Protection Act, into law. The bill, authored by Senator Kehoe, allowed the CPUC to change the rates for residential customers and also allow more choices for nonresidential customers.

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The CPUC has approved Southern California Edison's request to construct Segments 4-11 of the Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project (TRTP) in order to increase access to new renewable energy.

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CPUC Approves Funding for Study to Reduce Greenhouse Gases

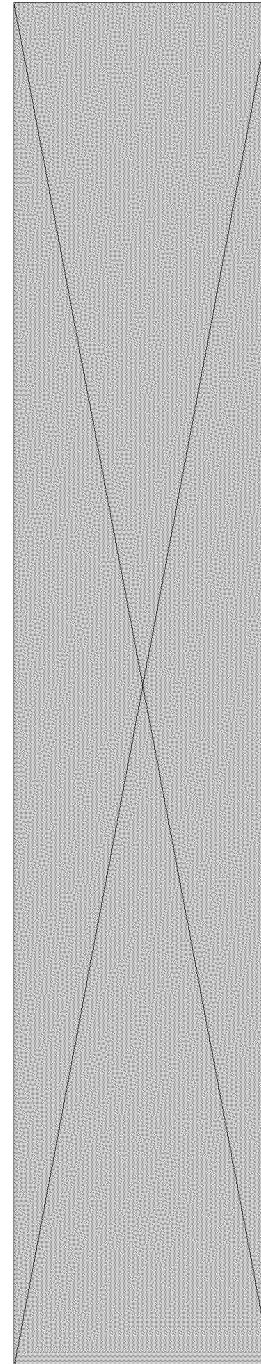
The CPUC authorized Southern California Edison to co-fund feasibility studies of a California integrated gasification combined cycle (IGCC) plant with carbon capture and storage.

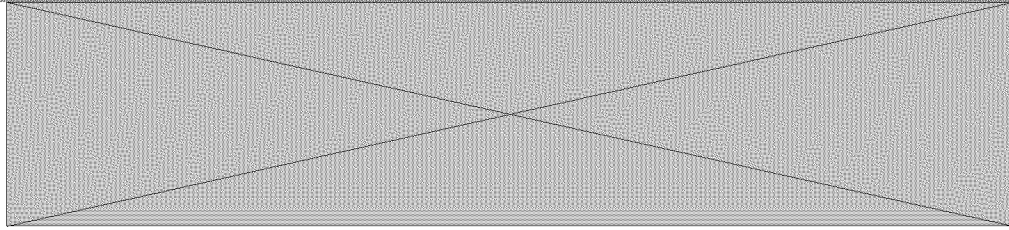
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CPUC Continues to Bridge Digital Divide with Broadband Grants

The CPUC, in its ongoing efforts to bridge the digital divide and boost economic development, conditionally approved two grants in December from the California Advanced Services Fund (CASF).

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