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CPUC WELCOMES NEW COMMISSIONERS FLORIO AND SANDOVAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25, 2011 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today welcomed Mike Florio and Catherine Sandoval as its newest Commissioners following their appointments by Governor Jerry Brown.

"On behalf of Commissioner Simon and the staff of the CPUC, I would like to welcome Commissioner Florio and Commissioner Sandoval," said CPUC President Michael R. Peevey. "I have known Commissioner Florio for many years as a dedicated and passionate consumer advocate who has a reputation for working with all sides to come to the best outcome for ratepayers. We are also very fortunate to have Commissioner Sandoval join the CPUC. She is a much respected legal scholar and telecommunications expert and will bring these skills to the CPUC. I look forward to collaborating with both new Commissioners as we work to strengthen our commitment to consumer

both new Commissioners as we work to strengthen our commitment to consumer protection and safety."

Commissioners Florio and Sandoval will join President Peevey and Commissioner Timothy Alan Simon at the CPUC's voting meeting on Thursday.

Commissioners are appointed to the CPUC for six-year terms at a salary of \$128,109 per year and require Senate confirmation.

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