

From: Cooke, Michelle
Sent: 7/21/2011 4:22:49 PM
To: Cooke, Michelle (michelle.cooke@cpuc.ca.gov)
Cc:
Bcc:
Subject: Fw: Directors Matt Deal and Rich Clark Transitioning

fyi

From: Clanon, Paul
Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2011 4:04 PM
To: ALL PUC
Subject: Directors Matt Deal and Rich Clark Transitioning

News this week that two Division Directors will be transitioning from their current roles -- Matt Deal of Policy and Planning Division will be leaving the Commission and moving to Washington DC, and Rich Clark of Consumer Protection and Safety Division will be changing roles to become an Administrative Law Judge. I thank Matt and Rich for their service, and wish them both the best in their new endeavors.

We'll be posting both positions to be filled by the competitive examination process, and I'll name interim directors very soon. Below is Matt's announcement of his leaving the Commission, and Chief ALJ Karen Clopton's announcement of Rich's joining ALJ Division.

From: Deal, Matthew
Subject: Moving on

All –

I wanted to let you know that after 5 years I have chosen to leave the Commission and try something new. I have accepted a position with Exelon to be their Federal Public Policy Manager based in their Washington DC offices. This move will provide me an opportunity to work on issues across the country with an initial focus on the Midwest and Northeast. As a bonus, with Exelon's proposed merger with Constellation I will have an opportunity to continue working on western issues with the possibility of moving back to California one day.

My final official day in the office will be July 22 and on July 28 I board a plane and head to DC. I do not yet know what my contact info will be. In the interim I can be reached at [Redacted] or on my cell at [Redacted]

I wish each of you the best and I look forward to when our paths next cross.

- Matt

From: Clopton, Karen
Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2011 4:00 PM
To: ALL ALJ; Directors
Cc: Clanon, Paul
Subject: New Administrative Law Judge

I am very pleased to announce that Richard Clark, who has served for 11 years as Director of the Consumer Protection and Safety Division, will join the Division as an administrative law judge on August 1, 2011.

Before joining the Commission in 2000, Rich worked in labor law enforcement for over 20 years, serving as a Deputy Labor Commissioner, as the Chief Deputy Labor Commissioner of the State of California, and in operating his own private investigations agency. Rich holds a bachelors degree in history, political science and sociology from San Diego State University, and he graduated with honors from the University of San Diego's graduate level lawyers assistant program, specializing in litigation.

During his tenure as Director of CPSD, Rich was tasked with influencing and implementing, and heading the enforcement of, the Commission's consumer protection and safety policies relative to electricity, natural gas, communications, household goods carriers and passenger carriers, and the Commission's safety policies relative to freight railroads, passenger railroads, rail transit systems, and rail crossings. Rich has consistently demonstrated a keen interest in organizational development and strategic planning, and led the CPSD staff in initiatives that focused each CPSD staff member on taking a systems approach in their thinking, being objective, thinking critically, continuously improving, and being experts in their fields.

Rich is looking forward to a new role in formulating forward-looking policies for the industries the Commission regulates, particularly in the area of public safety, in his capacity as an administrative law judge. We are very fortunate to have someone with Rich's experience joining our ranks and he will be attending the National Judicial College in August with our other new judges.

Please join me in welcoming Judge Clark.

Karen V. Clopton

Chief Administrative Law Judge