

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the Commission's Own
Motion to Conduct a Comprehensive Examination of
Investor Owned Electric Utilities' Residential Rate
Structures, the Transition to Time Varying and Dynamic
Rates, and Other Statutory Obligations

Rulemaking 12-06-013

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NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

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Pursuant to Rules 8.2(c) and 8.3 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Center for Accessible Technology (CforAT) hereby gives notice of the following telephonic oral ex parte communication, which occurred on November 1, 2013 at approximately 4 pm and lasted approximately 10 minutes. Melissa Kasnitz from CforAT initiated the call with Julie A. Fitch, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Carla Peterman.

On the call, Ms. Kasnitz raised concerns regarding the Assigned Commissioner's Ruling Inviting Utilities to Submit Interim Rate Change Applications ("Phase 2 Ruling") that was issued in this proceeding on October 25, 2013. Ms. Kasnitz expressed concern that the schedule in the Phase 2 Ruling, which authorizes simultaneous rate design applications to be filed by all electric IOUs and allows only approximately 10 weeks (six of which run from Thanksgiving through the new year) for other parties to conduct any necessary review, discovery, analysis and preparation of testimony, does not allow sufficient time for effective participation by small intervenors. Ms. Kasnitz also expressed concern that certain statements contained in the Phase 2 Ruling inappropriately direct particular rate design outcomes and thus prejudice the ultimate conclusion of the proceeding without appropriate support or due process.

Ms. Kasnitz indicated that CforAT would raise these concerns formally in response to the Phase 2 Ruling through comments or other actions as permitted by the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

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Respectfully submitted,

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