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CPUC TO HOLD PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS THROUGHOUT STATE TO HEAR FROM CONSUMERS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18, 2014 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will hold Public Participation Hearings throughout the state in the coming months on a number of issues in order to reach out to consumers and gain input on CPUC proceedings.

Public Participation Hearings allow the public to comment on utility cases that are before the CPUC. Comments from the public can help the CPUC reach an informed decision, and consumers are encouraged to attend.

The CPUC's upcoming Public Participation Hearings are as follows:

California High Cost Fund-A Program

The CPUC will hold Public Participation Hearings regarding its review of the California High Cost Fund-A Program (proceeding number R.11-11-007):

- April 21, 2014, 4 p.m.: Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort, 12222 New York Ranch Rd., Jackson, CA 95642
- May 8, 2014, 4 p.m.: Holiday Inn Express Yreka, Big Meeting Room, 707 Montaque Rd., Yreka, CA 96097

California-American Water Company Rates

The CPUC will hold Public Participation Hearings regarding California-American Water Company's request to increase its revenues for water service by \$18,473,900 (9.55 percent) in 2015, by \$8,264,700 (3.90 percent) in 2016, and by \$6,654,700 (3.02 percent) in 2017 (proceeding number <u>A.13-07-002</u>):

- April 23, 2014, 6 p.m.: Oldemeyer Center, Laguna Grande Hall, 986 Hilby Ave., Seaside, CA 93955
- April 24, 2014, 6 p.m.: Chualar Union Elementary School Board Room, 24285 Lincoln St., Chualar, CA 93925
- April 25, 2014, 3 p.m.: Monterey City Hall Council Chambers, 580 Pacific St., Monterey, CA 93940
- April 29, 2014, 6 p.m.: Palm Garden Hotel Palm II, 495 N. Ventu Park Rd., Thousand Oaks, CA 91320
- May 1, 2014, 6 p.m.: Arcadia City Hall Council Chambers, 240 W. Huntington Dr., Arcadia, CA 91007
- May 2, 2014, 6 p.m.: Al Bahr Shriners Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Rd., San Diego, CA 92111
- May 12, 2014, 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.: Rancho Cordova City Hall Chambers, 2729 Prospect Park Dr., Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
- May 19, 2014, 6 p.m.: Town of Windsor Council Chambers, 9291 Old Redwood Hwy., Building 400, Windsor, CA 95492

Apple Valley Ranchos Water Company Rates

The CPUC will hold a Public Participation Hearing regarding Apple Valley Ranchos Water Company's request to increase rates charged for water service by \$3,127,463 (14.88 percent) in 2015, \$2,056,455 (8.48 percent) in 2016, and \$2,160.731 (8.19 percent) in 2017 (proceeding number $\underline{A.14-01-002}$):

April 30, 2014, 1 pm and 6 p.m.: Town of Apple Valley Conference Center, 14975
Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, CA 92307

Open Issue/General Topics

The CPUC's May 1, 2014, Voting Meeting will take place in Los Angeles at the Metropolitan Water District at 700 N. Alameda St., Los Angeles, at 9:30 a.m. The day before the Voting Meeting there will be an Open Issue Public Participation Hearing to hear from the public regarding any issues that fall under the CPUC's jurisdiction:

 April 30, 2014, 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.: Metropolitan Water District Board Room, 700 N. Alameda St., Los Angeles, CA 90012

Southern California Gas Company Branch Optimization

The CPUC will hold Public Participation Hearings regarding Southern California Gas Company's request for approval of a "Branch Office Optimization Process" that would entail the utility closing six of its current 47 branch offices, and also requesting that the CPUC consider future branch closures through an Advice Letter process rather than a more formal Application process (proceeding number <u>A.13-09-010</u>):

- May 1, 2014, 6 p.m.: Palm Springs City Hall Council Chambers, 3200 Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, CA 92263
- May 6, 2014, 6 p.m.: Courtyard Marriott Hotel Monterey Room, 700 W. Huntington Dr., Monrovia, CA 91016
- May 7, 2014, 6 p.m.: Bellflower City Hall Council Chambers, 16600 Civic Center Dr., Bellflower, CA 90706
- May 14, 2014, 6 p.m.: Fess Parker Doubletree by Hilton Resort Santa Cruz Room, 633 E. Cabrillo Blvd., Santa Barbara, CA 93103
- May 15, 2014, 6 p.m.: Sands Inn and Suites Conference Room, 1930 Monterey St., San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
- May 21, 2014, 6 p.m.: Santa Monica Public Library Multi-Purpose Room, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90401

Southern California Edison Rates

The CPUC will hold Public Participation Hearings regarding Southern California Edison's request to, among other things, increase its revenues for electric service in 2015, and to reflect that increase in rates (proceeding number <u>A.13-11-003</u>):

- May 28, 2014, 1:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.: Ayres Hotel & Suites Essex Room, 325 Bristol St., Costa Mesa, CA 92626
- May 29, 2014, 1:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.: Temple City Council Chambers, 5938 Kauffman Ave., Temple City, CA 91780
- June 3, 2014, 1:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.: Residence Inn by Marriott at River Ridge Augusta Room, 2101 W. Vineyard Ave., Oxnard, CA 93036
- June 4, 2014, 3 p.m.: Tulare City Council Chambers, 491 N. M St., Tulare, CA 93274

For those unable to attend in person, written comments on any proceeding may be submitted to CPUC Public Advisor, 505 Van Ness Ave., Room 2103, San Francisco, CA 94102, or via email to public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov. Please refer to the proceeding number on any written or email correspondence. All public comments received are provided to the CPUC's Commissioners and the Administrative Law Judge assigned to the case.

If specialized accommodations are needed to attend the Public Participation Hearings, such as sign language interpreters, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov or toll free at 866-849-8390 at least five business days in advance of the hearing.

While a quorum of Commissioners and/or their staff may attend the Public Participation Hearings, no official action will be taken.

To receive electronic updates on these or any other proceedings, sign-up for the CPUC's free subscription service at http://subscribecpuc.cpuc.ca.gov.

For more information on Public Participation Hearings, please see www.cpuc.ca.gov/PPH.

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