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***Public Utilities Commission of the State of California***

***Public Agenda 2983  
Tuesday, December 30, 1997, 2 p.m.  
San Francisco, California***

**Commissioners**

**P. Gregory Conlon, President  
Jessie J. Knight, Jr.  
Henry M. Duque  
Josiah L. Neeper  
Richard A. Bilas**

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**Scheduled Commission Meetings  
AUDITORIUM  
505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco**

Wednesday, January 7, 1998  
Wednesday, January 21, 1998

Wednesday, February 4, 1998  
Thursday, February 19, 1998

***Matters of Public Interest***

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## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following items are not subject to public comment:

- All items on the closed session agenda; these are HEX and EX items.
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## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **UTILITY AND TRANSPORTATION ORDERS**

#### ***ORDERS HELD OVER***

- H-1            A97-11-038 - Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E), and Southern California Edison Company (Edison). For an order under Public Utilities Code Section 853 exempting them from the provisions of Section 851 or in the alternative for authority to convey operational control of designated transmission lines and associated facilities to an independent system operator. This decision addresses the requests of PG&E, SDG&E, and Edison relative to the transfer of operational control of their respective transmission lines and associated facilities.  
(Coms Conlon/Bilas - ALJ Careaga)  
(Agenda 2982, Item 19, 12/16/97; Req - Commission)

**ORDERS**

- 1 R94-04-031 - Order instituting rulemaking on the Commission's proposed policies governing restructuring California's electric services industry and reforming regulation. I94-04-032 - Related matter. This "Opinion Modifying Various Decisions", modifies various Commission decisions to reflect a delay in the start-up of direct access due to the postponement of the January 1, 1998, start-up of the independent system operator (ISO) and the power exchange (PX). This decision allows most of the Commission's electric restructuring orders to go forward, as necessary to maintain the status quo prior to the actual start-up of the ISO and the PX. Direct access will commence simultaneously with the start-up of the ISO and the PX, at a date to be determined, pursuant to certain conditions by future ruling of the Coordinating Commissioner. Notice of this matter was not provided with the agenda of the Commission meeting on December 30, 1997. This matter is being taken up on less than 10 days notice pursuant to Government Code Section 11125.3(a)(2), in that there is a need for immediate action and events leading to this action did not become known until subsequent to the mailing of the agenda for the December 30 meeting.  
(Com Conlon - ALJ Minkin)  
This item was not listed on the agenda distributed to the public

## **UTILITIES RESOLUTIONS**

### ***ENERGY MATTERS***

- E-1            E-3516 - Pacific Gas and Electric Company. For approval of its 1998 base revenue increase attributable to Public Utilities Code Sections 368(e) and 381(c). Approved as modified.  
(Advice Letter 1703-E, filed October 17, 1997)

**RAIL SAFETY AND CARRIERS RESOLUTIONS**

- T-1            Disposition of Commission staff report on an on-site safety audit of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District. Order rescinds decision of 12/16/97 (Resolution ST-29) granting approval of Commission Staff Report.

## **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

- Status/Coordination: Telecommunications Infrastructure Proceedings (D94-12-053).
- Status/Coordination: Electric Restructuring Proceedings (R94-04-031 and I94-04-032).

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Wesley M. Franklin, Executive Director

## **GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

Peter Arth, Jr., General Counsel

## **MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

Lynn T. Carew, Chief  
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Telecommunications Division

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Southern California

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**CLOSED SESSION**

*This notice is furnished under Government Code Section 11126.3. The Commission will meet in Closed Session following the Public Session of its regularly scheduled meeting. In the Closed Session, the Commission may consider institution of proceedings and pending litigation as provided under Government code Section 11126(p) and (q), and personnel matters as provided under Government Code Section 11126(a). Items to be considered under Government Code Section 11126(p), 11126(q)(2) and (3) and 11126(a) are not required to be made public. The list of items on the following pages, to be considered under Government Code Section 11126(q) (1), are required by the Government Code to be made public.*

**FEDERAL SECTION ITEMS**

FEX-1            A monthly summary of recent developments in Federal Agency and Federal court Cases in which the California Public Utilities Commission is a party or has intervened.