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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Approval of the 2009-2011 Low Income Energy Efficiency and California Alternate Rates for Energy Programs and Budget (U39M).

Application 08-05-022
(Filed May 15, 2008)

And Related Matters.

Application 08-05-024
Application 08-05-025
Application 08-05-026

ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER'S RULING REQUESTING APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF A PUBLIC POSITION OF THE LOW INCOME OVERSIGHT BOARD

Public Utilities Code Section 382.1 establishes a Low Income Oversight Board (LIOB) to advise the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) on low income electric, gas, and water customer issues. The LIOB serves as a liaison for the Commission to low-income ratepayers and representatives. Due to unforeseen circumstances, a public position on the LIOB has become available. By this Ruling, I hereby invite any individual who is interested in applying for this position to submit a letter of interest, a résumé, and three letters of reference.

The LIOB is comprised of 11 members. The public positions are held by five members who have expertise in the low-income community and who are not affiliated with any state agency or utility. The open position is for a two-year term from the date of appointment by the Commission.

As set forth in Public Utilities Code Section 382.1, the responsibilities of the LIOB are to:¹

1. Monitor and evaluate implementation of all programs provided to low-income electricity, gas, and water customers.
2. Assist in the development and analysis of any assessments of low-income customer need.
3. Encourage collaboration between state and utility programs for low-income electricity and gas customers to maximize the leverage of state and federal energy efficiency funds to both lower the bills and increase the comfort of low-income customers.
4. Provide reports to the Legislature, as requested, summarizing the assessment of needs, audits, and analysis of program implementation.
5. Assist in streamlining the application and enrollment process of programs for low-income electricity and natural gas customers with general low-income programs, including, but not limited to, the Universal Lifeline Telephone Service (ULTS) program and, including compliance with Section 739.1.
6. Encourage the usage of the network of community service providers in accordance with Section 381.5.

The LIOB holds four to five meetings annually with additional meetings and/or conference calls as necessary. The LIOB alternates meeting locations between northern, central and southern California. Members of the LIOB are eligible for compensation in accordance with the state's travel guidelines.

Upon receipt and review of the applications, we will select candidates to be interviewed. The application process for final applicants will include a review of economic interests. We encourage applicants to refer to

¹ All statutory references are to the Public Utilities Code, unless otherwise noted.

<http://www.fppc.ca.gov/forms/700-09-10/Form700-09-10.pdf> prior to submitting a letter of interest, to determine if potential conflicts of interest may exist. The nominees must be approved by the full Commission.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that individuals interested in being appointed to the Low Income Oversight Board as a public representative must submit a letter of interest, a résumé, and three letters of reference, postmarked no later than October 28, 2010 to:

Kelly A. Hymes
Advisor to Commissioner Dian M. Grueneich
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Electronic submissions are acceptable and should be emailed to khy@cpuc.ca.gov no later than October 28, 2010.

Please note that telephonic interviews will be scheduled for early November 2010.

Dated September 28, 2010, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ DIAN M. GRUENEICH

Dian M. Grueneich
Assigned Commissioner

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Dated September 28, 2010, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ SANDRA M. JACKSON

Sandra M. Jackson

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