

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**LOW-INCOME OVERSIGHT BOARD**

**R E S O L U T I O N**

Resolution **LIOB-2**. Adoption of a Technical Advisory Committee of the Low Income Oversight Board to advise the CPUC on the upcoming DECISION ON LARGE INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITIES' AND MARIN CLEAN ENERGY'S CALIFORNIA ALTERNATE RATES FOR ENERGY (CARE), ENERGY SAVINGS ASSISTANCE (ESA), AND FAMILY ELECTRIC RATE ASSISTANCE (FERA) PROGRAM APPLICATIONS FOR PROGRAM YEARS **XXXX-XXXX**

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**SUMMARY**

This Resolution approves the adoption of the Technical Advisory Committee of the Low Income Oversight Board (LIOB), as recommended by the members of the LIOB.

**BACKGROUND**

By Senate Bill 2 from the Second Extraordinary Session (SBX2 2), the Legislature established the LIOB to advise the Commission on low-income electric and gas customer issues and to serve as a liaison for the Commission to low-income ratepayers and representatives. Moreover, SBX2 2 required specific activities to include the formation of Technical Advisory Committees made up of subject matter experts to better inform and advise the LIOB and the CPUC on matters affecting low-income ratepayers and the programs designed to serve them.

Section 382.1(d) states that the Low-Income Oversight Board may establish a technical advisory committee consisting of low-income service providers, utility representatives, consumer organizations, and commission staff, to assist the board and may request utility representatives and commission staff to assist the technical advisory committee.

The charge of this Technical Advisory Committee is to provide a formal body


consisting of LIOB Members and potentially other experts to give consistent and structured feedback for the Low-Income Decision, previous decisions and related matters. Details are specified in the resolution.

## **FINDINGS**

Whereas by Senate Bill 2 from the Second Extraordinary Session (SBX2 2), the Legislature established a Low-Income Oversight Board (LIOB) to advise the Commission on low-income electric and gas customer issues and to serve as a liaison for the Commission to low-income ratepayers and representatives

Whereas on June 7, 2007 the Commission adopted Resolution E-4095 revising the Low Income Oversight Board Charter, which describes the governing structure for the LIOB, consistent with Section (§) 382.1 of the California Public Utilities Code;

Whereas on March 8th, 2018 the Low Income Oversight Board Adopted its vision which states, *to maximize the benefits of utility, state and federal low-income programs to improve the health, safety and comfort of low income customers while reducing energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions;*

Whereas the most impactful recurring opportunity for the LIOB to fulfill that vision is their collective advice and ounsel to the Commission on the Low-Income Decision for low-income rate payers;

Whereas the Low-Income Oversight Board wishes to further institutionalize its processes for fulfilling its vision and advice to the Commission, and;

Whereas forming a technical advisory committee as outlined in 382.1(d) of the California Public Utilities Code would provide the forum to do so;

## **THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED THAT:**

1. that the LIOB form a Technical Advisory Committee to provide a formal body consisting of LIOB Members and potentially other experts to give consistent and structured feedback for the Low-Income Decision, previous

decisions and related matters;

2. this new TAC will primarily focus on the planning and drafting of the “Decision on Large Investor-Owned Utilities’ and Marin Clean Energy’s California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE), Energy Savings Assistance (Esa), and Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) Program Applications for Program Years XXXX-XXXX;
3. the TAC is subject to the LIOB Charter, which describes the governing structure for the LIOB, consistent with Section (§) 382.1 of the California Public Utilities Code; and
4. the membership of the TAC shall be assigned once formed and at any subsequent publicly noticed LIOB meeting;

This Resolution is effective today.